



### **Nalcor provides update on Muskrat Falls cofferdam**

*November 21, 2016* – On Friday, November 18, Nalcor Energy took precautionary measures to lower water levels in the Muskrat Falls reservoir following increased water seepage through the temporary cofferdam. Nalcor opened the spillway gates, thereby increasing the flow of water and reducing the water level in the reservoir.

Water levels and flow rates in the river returned to normal conditions over the weekend.

There remains no risk to local residents, communities or Muskrat Falls site workers.

A full inspection of the cofferdam is ongoing and remediation work identified through this inspection has begun. Once this work is completed, Nalcor will begin to gradually raise water levels in the reservoir by closing the spillway gates. A timeline for this work and continuation of river impoundment has not yet been established.

On Friday, Nalcor notified representatives in the four communities downstream of the Muskrat Falls facility, as well as the public, of the potential for increased water levels and flows in the river. They were advised at that time that there was no risk to local residents and downstream communities.

Construction activities continue throughout the Muskrat Falls construction site.

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