

Muskrat Falls Generation Project Stakeholder Update

July 10, 2019

Providing public updates about important topics regarding the Muskrat Falls generation facility is a priority for us. We are committed to keeping people living in the area up-to-date on our activities.

Raising the Water Levels in the Muskrat Falls Reservoir

A critical first step on the path to first power from the Muskrat Falls generating facility is the creation of the reservoir. The reservoir is the area upstream of the Muskrat Falls facility – it extends 59km upstream of the facility to Gull Island. By restricting the amount of water passing through the Spillway, we will raise the water levels at Muskrat Falls to create the reservoir. This process is called impoundment.

On July 10, we issued a public notice as the required one month notification prior to the anticipated start of impoundment. While the authorized impoundment period is **between July 15, 2019 and September 30, 2019**, the date on which impoundment will start has not been finalized. The actual date is subject to modification and will be communicated publicly as impoundment approaches.

We expect that the water level in the reservoir will reach its final required elevation of 39m by the end of September.

Staying Safe During Impoundment

During the impoundment process, there are a number of hazards that will exist in and around the reservoir area. Conditions in the river, along the banks and in the newly impounded areas will be constantly changing and the conditions can change rapidly. To ensure public safety during the impoundment process this summer, it is important to avoid the Muskrat Falls reservoir area between Muskrat Falls and Gull Island during this time.

There are dangers associated with all dams and hydroelectric facilities and it is important to always keep a safe distance.

Keeping you Up-to-Date


Through our Muskrat Falls Project website, Nalcor Facebook and Twitter pages, we will be regularly sharing important information to ensure that you're aware of our impoundment plans, timelines and most importantly, how to avoid potential hazards and stay safe.

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