

**Columbia Basin Regional Advisory Committee
Inaugural Meeting on Sept. 11, 2014, 9:00am – 3:30pm
Prestige Lakeside Resort, 701 Lakeside Drive, Nelson
Final Agenda**

- Discussion Purpose:** Convene members of the Columbia Basin Regional Advisory Committee (CBRAC) in order to:
- begin developing a shared understanding of the committee’s function and structure;
 - increase understanding of hydro operations in Columbia River Basin;
 - update participants on the Columbia River Treaty (CRT) review;
 - update CBRAC on the role and activities of the CRT Local Governments’ committee; and
 - begin identifying potential opportunities, consistent with the CBRAC terms of reference, for CBRAC to advise BC Hydro on matters that are regionally important and provide input on CRT-related topics.

- Discussion Outcomes:** Understanding of how CBRAC is structured and function, increased understanding of hydro operations and identification of:
- regional topics of interest to CBRAC members and information needs of members;
 - opportunities for CBRAC members to help improve regional information sharing and understanding of hydro operations; and
 - next steps for CBRAC.

8:30 – 9:00	Registration Coffee and light snacks available
9:00 – 9:30	Welcome, Introductions and Agenda Review
9:30 – 10:15	CBRAC Form and Function: What is it? What isn’t it? Perspectives on CBRAC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Province of BC - <i>Kathy Eichenberger, Executive Director, CRT Review Team, Ministry of Energy and Mines</i> ○ Columbia River Treaty Local Governments’ Committee - <i>Deb Kozak, Chair and Karen Hamling, Vice-Chair, CRT Local Governments’ Committee</i> ○ BC Hydro - <i>Renata Kurschner, Director, Generation Resource Management, BC Hydro</i>
10:15 – 10:30	Bio Break
10:30 – 11:30	Hydro Operations in the Columbia Basin <i>Renata Kurschner, Director, Generation Resource Management, BC Hydro</i> <i>Darren Sherbot, Manager, System Optimization, BC Hydro</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BC Hydro generation operations – system view ○ Overview of Columbia basin operations ○ Operations update
11:30 – noon	Hydro Operations - Building Awareness and Understanding: What are your ideas? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community communications needs and opportunities? ○ Regional topics of interest to CBRAC?
12 – 12:45	Lunch

12:45 – 1:00	Check-in / Review Remaining Agenda and Outcomes
1:00 – 1:45	<p>Columbia River Treaty Review – Update and Next Steps <i>Kathy Eichenberger, CRT Review Team</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Perspectives from participants on the CRT ○ Review’s consultation <p><i>Heather Matthews, Project Manager, CRT Review Team, BC Hydro</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CRT Review - Work Plan
1:45 – 2:15	CRT - Building Awareness and Understanding: What are your ideas?
2:15 – 2:30	Bio-Break
2:30 – 3:00	<p>CBRAC – Form and Function</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review and discuss topics of interest to CBRAC Members ○ Determine next steps to address topics of interest ○ Confirm CBRAC structure (Chair?) ○ Initiate Development of CBRAC Code of Conduct
3:00 – 3:15	CBRAC Next Steps
3:15 – 3:30	Closing Comments and Wrap-up from Participants and Partners