

## COLUMBIA RIVER TREATY REVIEW

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The Columbia River Treaty has no end date. However, the Treaty can be terminated on or after September 16, 2024, provided that either Canada or United States has given at least 10 years notice of their intention to terminate.

Government agencies in both Canada and the United States are reviewing the benefits and future options of the Columbia River Treaty after 2024.

The Ministry of Energy and Mines Columbia River Treaty 2014 Review Team is leading the Province's review of the Columbia River Treaty.

It will conduct economic, environmental, social, financial, legal and hydrological analyses in order to make a decision on whether to continue, amend or terminate the Columbia River Treaty.

As part of the review, the Province will consult with First Nations and residents and of the Columbia River Basin to ensure regional perspectives, values, and interests shape the future of the Columbia River Treaty. A separate stream of consultations with First Nations has been established.

The 2014 Columbia River Treaty Review public consultation includes:

- The 2014 Columbia River Treaty
  Review website:

  www.gov.bc.ca/columbiarivertreaty
- Education and consultation workshops in communities
- Engagement with residents (online, in person and by mail)
- A youth event to seek input from future community leaders
- Consultation with the Columbia River Treaty Local Governments' Committee

The Province will build on previous Columbia River Basin public feedback and report back to residents on how the input they receive was considered and used.



There are a number of ways for Basin residents to become involved in the Columbia River Treaty 2014 Review:

- Columbia River Treaty Review website: www.gov.bc.ca/columbiarivertreaty
  - *Discussion Forum*—share interests and concerns and engage in discussion about the Columbia River Treaty. The forum is expected to remain open until recommendations are made to the provincial government.
  - You Asked Us for more information about Columbia River Treaty or the Treaty Review, residents can submit a question on the website. The Province will respond to you by email. Frequently asked questions will be posted.
- Evening consultation workshops are planned for the following locations and dates:
  - Jaffray, May 29
  - Creston, May 30
  - Nakusp, June 5
  - Castlegar, June 6
  - Valemount, June 12
  - Golden, June 19
  - Revelstoke, June 20

Further consultations are planned for Fall 2012.