

Project Title

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure – Culvert Replacement Columbia Valley Road

Notice of Determination

January 17, 2023, Cultus Lake, B.C. – Fisheries and Oceans Canada have decided that the proposed culvert installation on the Cultus Lake Laboratory property, is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects. In making this determination, Fisheries and Oceans Canada considered the following factors and environmental aspects:

Factors:

- Impacts on rights of Indigenous peoples
- Indigenous knowledge
- Comments received from the public

Environmental Aspects:

- Water and sediment quality
- Riparian habitat
- Fish and fish habitat
- Species at risk
- Migratory birds

Fisheries and Oceans Canada is satisfied that there is low potential for the project to cause adverse environmental effects on areas of federal jurisdiction. Environmental effects that are within provincial jurisdiction would be addressed through provincial regulations.

Therefore, Fisheries and Oceans Canada may perform any duty or function to enable the project to be carried out in whole or in part.