

VIP LP - General Update

December 10, 2020

Existing Lease Agreements:

CVH (12 Acres): Business as usual. Hauling in wood from the West Canoe.

Trans Mountain (30 Acres): Business as usual.

Trans Mountain Camp (35 Acres): Waiting for first hydro bill.

Treasures of the Forest (1.2 Acres): Quiet

BC Stone Corp (3 Acres): Quiet for winter.

Robson Valley Gourmet Mushrooms (0.2 Acres): Active

Dunkley (10 Acres): No Activity

Remcan (2 acres): No Activity

Veggie Container (0.2 acres+/-): Ground levelled and electrical 90% complete. Need to install water at some point.

Telus (1 acre): Telus working through regulatory Process

Simpcw FN (7 acres): We have signed a lease agreement for 7 acres and the scales for the winter with Simpcw FN. They are working with Trans Mountain to stockpile and grind for hog and haul program.

VCF LP (Office, Maintenance Yard, scales and scale yard): Working on a lease agreement.

- VCF LP lease agreement with VIP LP, The Manager Craig Pryor and Gordon Carson have reviewed the and request another Board member to review the draft.

Sort Yard:

Building inventory through clean-up loads. Will haul out loads as volume gains.

All oversize Sx is being hauled into yard. Will sort for piano, Fuso and Dunkley wood.

+/-12 loads of Trans Mountain wood has been hauled into our yard. Bucking specs were not followed very well. Generally small sawlog pine with some pulp and a load of fir sawlog.

Other:

Trans Mountain is still planning to upgrade the VIP water reservoir. Upgrade is planned for next spring.

Grants:

Searching for grants for an office renovation and environmental assessment for CN lease area.

The CN leases were grandfathered into the purchase of the industrial site. The VIP does not require these areas, the VIP did a Stage 1 environmental assessment as requested by the CN which was declined. These small areas have been and continue to be used by CN.

CN says it must be a phase 2 environmental assessment.

VIP are looking for a \$48,000.00 grant to help with this environmental assessment. The VIP Manager is trying to find ways to work with the CN on this matter.

Mill Construction Update:

All main components are installed with the exception of the following:

- **Chip bins (Planned for spring)** Chip bins and conveyor are in the yard. Cement pad poured.
- **Air compressor:** Need to figure out what we need and purchase
- **Dust system:** Engineer is working on dust plan. This plan will explain what needs to be installed. We have purposely placed the electrical controls, debarker and chipper outside of the building to limit the dust. Only the head rig, cut off saw, trim saws and edger produces dust.
- **After building is set up, we will need to build a ramp for loader access to log infeed deck.**

Building:

- **All foundations have been poured**
- **All building materials are at the site**
- **Contractors equipment is on site**
- **Contractor is set to start Dec 15**
- **Building permit approved**
- **We do not require a sprinkler system at this point**
- **3-4 weeks to assemble building**

Electrical:

- **Poles off BC Hydro Main are installed with wiring, switch and arms assembled**
- **C-Can is in place and we are insulating it and installing a man door for access. The C-Can will hold all the electrical controls.**
- **Station transformer is ordered and should be here within 2 weeks.**

Hydraulics:

- **Headrig is very close to complete**
- **Will start on Debarker next**
- **Two small units for cutoff saw and edger required. We have these units from purchase. They need to be gone through and made ready for install.**

General:

- **Carpenters will no longer be required after Dec 13.**
- **Crew will be reduced to 6 people after Dec 13**
- **Darren and Sam, VIP LP employees will remain as is.**
- **Crew set to work until Dec 20 then break.**
 - o **Cleaning up loose ends**
- **After Dec 20 we will revisit the site and make a plan to go forward.**
- **Cash is getting very tight and we may need to take a break on construction.**
 - o **This does not include electrical, hydraulics and building.**

