

VIP LP - General Update

January 28, 2021

Existing Lease Agreements:

CVH (12 Acres): Business as usual.

Trans Mountain (30 Acres): Business as usual.

Trans Mountain Camp (35 Acres): Active. **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+/-): Waiting for C-Can to be delivered. **Est late March**

Telus (1 acre): **The Regional District asked Telus to relocate the tower on our site to just south of the office. We gave our approval for the change. We now need to go through the paperwork and process again.**

Simpcw FN (7 acres): No Activity.

VCF LP (Office, Maintenance Yard, scales and scale yard): Business as usual.

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 VIP Mill/Dunkley wood.

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.**

COVID: **The office has been shut down to all non staff.**

Financials: Year end audit ongoing and made more tedious due to COVID.

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, chipper outside of the building to limit the dust. Only the head rig, cut off saw, trim saws and edger produces dust inside of building.
- Debarker had to be located inside of building as the conveyor was not long enough. **Mistake!**
- After building is set up, we will need to build a ramp for loader access to log infeed deck.

Building:

- Building is complete. An engineered certification will be completed in the spring.

Electrical:

- Station transformer is ordered and should be here late February.
- Electricians have started work.
- Estimated BC hydro start-up late March.

Hydraulics:

- Headrig is very close to complete
- Will start on Debarker next
- Edger small hydraulic unit upgrade complete. Needs to hook up.
- Cut off saw Hydraulics needs small unit and to be hooked up.

General:

- Crew has been reduced to 5 people
- Darren and Sam, VIP LP employees remain as is.
- Edger complete
- Crew working on guarding and conveyor sheeting in.
- Met with the three groups: 4-U-All, Electricians and Hydraulics
 - o Good organizational Plan
 - o Three groups to give detailed estimates to complete their portions.
 - o VIP will use estimates to set priorities for three groups
- General Plan is to power up mill in April and start testing each piece of equipment. When we are satisfied that the mill will function, we can organize start-up.
- We can hot log wood into the mill June targeting wood types/markets.