

VIP LP - General Update

April 11, 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.

Telus (1 acre): **All contracts for new location are complete. Telus working on plan to construct this summer/fall.**

Simpcw FN (7 acres): **Actively hauling into yard.**

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

Sort Yard:

All oversize Sx has been sorted for piano, Fuso and VIP Mill/Dunkley wood. Decided to haul 12 loads of oversize spruce to Dunkley. Roughly 15-20 loads of spruce reserved for VIP Mill.

Fir and hemlock have been reserved for VIP Mill.

Other:

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

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

COVID: **An electrician has tested positive for COVID. All electricians were sent home for 2 weeks. Remainder of crew continued to work as they generally worked separate from electricians. They are back to work.**

Financials: Year end audit ongoing.

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.
 - o **Starting soon. Est 2-3 weeks.**
- **Air compressor:** Need to figure out what we need and purchase
- **Dust system:** Waiting on two estimates to make a call.
- **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.**
- **Waiting for concrete plant to start building a ramp for loader access to log infeed deck.**

Building:

- **Building is complete. An engineered certification will be completed in the spring. *Est in 1 month, requires pumper truck and warmer weather, the Debarker will be dust protected with a cyclone dust system.***
 - o **Need to finish pouring concrete inside building. Ready to pour soon.**

Electrical:

- **Station transformer is installed and planned for hook-up soon.**
- **Electricians making good progress.**
- **Waiting for control components for inside C-Can.**

Hydraulics:

- **Headrig waiting for main power to complete**
- **Debarker waiting for main power to complete.**
- **Edger small hydraulic unit upgrade complete. Connecting to Edger.**
- **Cut off saw Hydraulics unit upgrade complete.**

General:

- **4-U-All Crew has been reduced to 5 people**
- **Darren and Sam, VIP LP employees remain as is.**
- **Crew working on guarding and conveyor sheeting in.**
- **General Plan is to power up mill in mid May 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 for specific markets.**
- **Starting to work with chip markets. Canfor, Domtar are main targets but there are others.**
- **Advertising for mill manager ad.**