VIP LP - General Update

December 3, 2021

Existing Lease Agreements:

CVH (12 Acres): Business as usual.

Trans Mountain Pipe yard (30 Acres): Active

Trans Mountain Camp (35 Acres): Active

Treasures of the Forest (1.2 Acres): Active

BC Stone Corp (3 Acres): Quiet for Winter

Robson Valley Gourmet Mushrooms (0.2 Acres): Active

Dunkley (10 Acres): No Activity. Lease expires December 31, 2021

Remcan (2 acres): No Activity

Learning Center (0.2 acres+/-): Active

Telus (1 acre): Telus working on plan to construct this est January.

Simpcw FN (7 acres): No new material coming into the yard. Waiting for plan to remove waste material (soil/rock/wood fibre) from yard. Lease expires December 31, 2021

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

TM Fallers (Room in Maintenance shop): Active

Robson Design Build Ltd. (2 acres): No Activity

Downie Timber Ltd (1.5 acres): Camp is installed. Plan to operate for winter 2021/22.

Other: Water reservoir project is ongoing. New water intake and output lines are installed and backfilled. Pumps are on site. Pumphouse is 2/3 constructed. Bladder is delayed until spring 2022.

Grants:

COVID: Business as usual

Mill Construction Update:

General Update:

- <u>Phase 1</u> is complete. Includes: log infeed, debarker, headrig, main waste conveyor, cut off saw, vibrating conveyor, metal detector, chipper, shaker screen and chip bins.
- Phase 2 is ongoing. Includes edger, infeed and outfeed. 80% complete
- Dust system: An engineer specializing in mill dust systems toured mill. Would like to see mill
 in operation before making plan. Crew working on minimizing dust issues before we look at a
 dust system.

Building:

- Building is complete.
 - O Waiting on certification. Need to install exit signs, back ordered.
 - o Engineer is happy with construction.

Electrical:

- Phase 1 is complete.
- All control components/soft starts are installed in C-Can.
- Will start on Edger next.

Hydraulics:

- Edger waiting for air and hydro to complete.
- Minor tweaks to Phase 1

General:

- VIP Staff: Darren and Sam.
- VIP Contractor Staff: Steve, Al and Rob.
- Crew working on outside conveyor covers to protect from weather.
- General Plan is to start testing each piece of equipment. When we are satisfied that the mill will function, we can organize start-up.
- Testing has started.
 - o Logs have been run through mill multiple times. After each log run we fix anomalies.
 - Minor tweaking is required but overall success.
 - Cants and timbers have come out to proper dimensions. Eg. A 16 ft long 6x6 is a 6x6 at both ends within acceptable parameters.
- 80 loads of Hemlock and spruce logs at mill site targeted for mill
 - Slowly trickling in hemlock sawlog mainly from VCF operations.
 - Agreed to purchase 20-30 load of Hemlock sawlog from Gorman Brothers from East Canoe, BCTS.
 - Working on deal with Carrier Lumber to purchase more Hemlock sawlog.
- Canfor and Domtar are main targets for chip markets. Steve to fill up bags of chips and deliver to get the communication moving.