

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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#### **Colliery Dam Update**

## **Summary**

On June 30, 2015, the City of Nanaimo received notice from the Environmental Appeal Board (EAB) that the City's application for a stay has been denied. The City had applied for an appeal and a stay of the Comptroller's Water Rights Order to remediate the Colliery Dams. The City now has until July 24 to choose a remediation option for the dams and provide design drawings to the Comptroller's office. A decision on remediation options will be considered by Council at its upcoming meeting on July 6.

Strategic Link: N/A

## **Key Points**

- City's application for a stay has been denied.
- To address the identified deficiencies associated with the Lower Dam's spillway, Council may choose one
  of two possible solutions the Labyrinth spillway or the Auxiliary spillway.
- Members of the public seeking additional information concerning the Colliery Dams are encouraged to visit the Colliery Dams information page located on the City's website.

#### Quotes

"The outcome of the EAB's decision not to grant the City's application for a stay will be discussed at Council Monday, July 6."

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