

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Colliery Dams Update**

### **Summary**

At its meeting held August 31, Nanaimo City Council was unable to make a decision on awarding a contract to construct the Lower Colliery Dam auxiliary spillway. In exchange of correspondence with the Provincial Comptroller of Water Rights, the City committed to have a contractor for construction of the auxiliary spillway in place by September 1, 2015 and construction of the auxiliary spillway substantially complete by November 1, 2015 (as required by the Comptroller's Order dated April 29, 2015).

A Special Open Council meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday September 2 at 1:00 p.m. for Council to consider awarding the contract for the auxiliary spillway.

Strategic Link: N/A

# **Key Points**

- A second meeting to discuss the awarding of the contract to construct the auxiliary spillway will be held Wednesday, September 2, starting at 1 p.m.
- Members of the public seeking previous information updates concerning the Colliery Dams are encouraged to visit the Colliery Dam Information page located on the City's website.

#### Quotes

"I hope to see Council get our decision making process back on track Wednesday. We've come a long way in discussing and debating the issue; it's time to make the decision."

Bill McKay Mayor City of Nanaimo

#### **Quick Facts**

• Wednesday's meeting will be open to the public. Individuals who are unable to attend may watch the meeting via streaming video on the City's website.

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