

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Colliery Dams Update

#### Summary

The City of Nanaimo has received a copy of a written submission from the Comptroller of Water Rights' lawyer regarding the City's application for a stay of the Comptroller Order to remediate the Colliery Dams. This submission will be forwarded to the Environmental Appeal Board (EAB) requesting that the City's application for a stay be denied.

A copy of the Comptroller of Water Rights lawyer's submission has been placed in the legal section of the City's Colliery Dam Information Page.

*Strategic Link:* N/A

#### Key Points

- Previously, the City lawyer had made application for an appeal and stay of the Comptroller's Order as directed by Council. The City lawyer will make a further written submission in response to the Comptroller's lawyer's submission, which will be completed by June 24.
- Once the City lawyer's application is received, the EAB will schedule a review of the written submissions of both parties and provide a decision on the City's application for a stay. The EAB's decision is expected in early July.
- 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

"Once the EAB has made a decision on the City's request for a stay, a report will be forwarded to City Council to determine the next steps regarding the Colliery Dams."

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