

Haisla Bridge Contract Signing Update

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The District of Kitimat is replacing the Haisla Bridge to provide safe and reliable access across the Kitimat River for years to come. The Haisla Bridge serves as a critical corridor between the community, industry, and natural environments. It further serves as a critical connection between the Canadian and global economies. With growing economic activity in the Kitimat area, there are expectations for increased daily traffic volumes, oversized load deliveries, and construction traffic. The new bridge will provide significant improvements for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians.

The Government of Canada, through Western Economic Diversification Canada, has allocated \$55 million in funding to the District to cover costs for the construction of a new two-lane bridge adjacent (north/upstream) to the existing bridge and for the decommissioning of the existing bridge.

Following a rigorous Competitive Selection Process, the District selected Ledcor-Haisla Limited Partnership, by its general partner Ledcor-Haisla Projects Ltd., as the Design-Build Contractor to design and construct the new bridge and remove the old one.

Tree clearing and grubbing on the project site was completed by Daudet Creek Contracting Ltd. in March 2021. Ledcor-Haisla is expected to begin construction this summer. It is anticipated that the new bridge will be operational in 2023, and demolition of the existing bridge will be completed after the new bridge is open.

For additional information, please email engineering@kitimat.ca, call 250-632-8900, or visit www.kitimat.ca.



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