



## CATILINE CREEK DEBRIS FLOW MITIGATION PROJECT

### Community Update #9

June 10, 2025

This is a project status update for Lillooet Lake Estates (LLE) community members regarding the debris flow mitigation project [related to the debris flow hazard at Catiline Creek](#).

#### Project Overview:

The project is to design, construct, and establish operation and maintenance of a debris flow mitigation structure for the Catiline Creek at Lillooet Lake Estates (LLE). The objective of the project is to reduce the risk to the community and potential for loss of life by increasing capacity of the existing channel to manage future debris flows up to 100,000m<sup>3</sup> through the community, under a new forest service road bridge, and into Lillooet Lake. Details of the project scope, current funding and approved budget along with these community updates can be found on the project website: <https://www.slrd.bc.ca/catilinedfm>

#### Project Updates

##### Invitation to Tender:

- The Invitation to Tender (ITT) for Construction Services was issued on June 5, 2025. The tender close date is July 16, 2025.
- A pre-bid site meeting for potential contractors who are considering bidding on this procurement opportunity is scheduled for June 23 at Lillooet Lake Estates. LLE representatives have been assisting the SLRD with facilitating access to Lillooet Lake Estates.
- After the tender close date, the SLRD will follow the process laid out in the ITT, including assessing any bids received.
- After the tender close date, next steps are dependent on the assessment of bids received. If no compliant bids are received that are within the approved budget for construction services, the SLRD will reassess the project at that time to determine next steps.
- The SLRD will provide further communication updates after the tender close date.

##### Schedule, Permits and Approvals:

- Schedule – There are no changes to the project schedule at this time. The project schedule anticipates construction starting in Quarter 3 of 2025 and ending in Quarter 4 of 2026. The construction schedule is dependent on a number of items, including results of the tender process, and finalising key permits and approvals such as the land tenure and statutory right of way.

- SLRD staff presented Project Status Update #7 to the SLRD Board on May 28, 2025 meeting. ([View PDF of the staff report](#) or [watch the recording on YouTube](#). Attachment 1 of Project Status Update #7 contains more information on the permits and approvals – [view the PDF of the attachment here](#).
- The project has received a number of key permits and approvals including Dike Maintenance Act Approval and the General Wildlife Measures Exemption. The Public Land Tenure application has received support in principle, and additional steps are underway towards finalizing this tenure.
- The Province (Ministry of Forests) is responsible for completing the replacement of the FSR Bridge at Catiline Creek, and the Province's FSR Bridge replacement project will be done in coordination with the SLRD's Debris Flow Mitigation project. The Province's procurement of the FSR bridge is planned to occur following the SLRD's award of the Catiline Creek Debris Flow Mitigation construction contract.

## Financial

- The SLRD Board approved the 5 year budget for Catiline Creek Debris Flow Mitigation Service (Cost Centre #2406) on March 26, 2025, and the budget is [available to view online in the SLRD's Financial Plan](#). The 5 year budget incorporates information from the Project Budget report shared at the November 27, 2024 Board meeting (staff report [here](#) and presentation recording [here](#), including:
  - the approved budget for the Catiline Creek debris flow mitigation project (\$11.697 million);
  - the initial staff estimate for the implementation phase of the offsite offsetting work (\$1.265 million), which will be carried out as a future separate project;
  - projected service administration costs; and
  - updated operations and maintenance cost estimates.
- Requisition for 2025 is \$217,206.
- No loan funds have been drawn to date. The first draw on the loan is anticipated in 2025 or early 2026. The amount of draws needed and the timing of such draws remains to be determined by the SLRD Board and is dependent on various factors, including tender results, updated cost estimates and project schedule.

## Current Work:

At this time the project team is proceeding with a number of activities, including:

- Managing the tender process.
- First Nations engagement and consultation activities including working with Lílwat Nation on referral update and response items including monitoring for construction services.
- Following up on submitted Provincial land tenure application documentation (approved in principle)
- Following up on submitted provincial and federal permitting applications
- Working with LLE representatives regarding the statutory right of way required for the

project

- Coordinating with the Ministry of Forests (MOF) for the replacement of the In-SHUCK-ch Forest Service Road (FSR) bridge (to be completed by MOF) and potential areas along the FSR to improve the road
- Coordinating with BC Hydro for proposed work and related agreements within the Hydro right of way
- Engagement and coordination with partners
- Reviewing funding strategies and opportunities
- Project communications
- Grant administration

### **Upcoming Milestones – Q3 2025:**

- Continue work on permitting and approvals, coordination with partners and rightsholders.
- Continue First Nations engagement and consultation activities.
- Complete procurement process for construction services.
- Review procurement results against approved budget, and determine next steps.

### **Site Visits:**

In collaboration with LLE representatives, the SLRD will schedule site visits associated with the upcoming tender and construction phases. When a site visit is confirmed, notices will be posted on the project page (<https://www.slrd.bc.ca/catilinedfm>) and shared to the community by LLE representatives. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during these necessary site visits and inspections, as the SLRD continues to carry out this project. Please let the SLRD ([pcampbell@slrd.bc.ca](mailto:pcampbell@slrd.bc.ca)) and or LLE representatives know if you have any feedback at any time.

### **Project Governance:**

The SLRD works with LLE on this project through the Project Steering Committee and regular coordination meetings. The Project Steering Committee includes senior SLRD staff, the project manager, and Gary Young (acting in an advisory capacity) as the appointed representative of the LLE Board, with Peter Shrimpton as Mr. Young's alternate. This committee meets monthly to provide project oversight, and as needed makes recommendations to the SLRD Board for items requiring SLRD Board decisions or approvals.

### **SLRD Board Reports:**

Meeting agenda packages are published on the [SLRD website at the Meetings Portal](#), and the reports are available to review prior to each meeting. Meetings can be attended in person at the SLRD administration office (1350 Aster Street, Pemberton), and can be viewed via livestream or recording. Information on how to view SLRD meetings is available on the [SLRD website](#).

**Contact:**

The SLRD appreciates the support of the community members during this important project.

The SLRD is committed to keeping you informed and will provide another update once the next milestones are reached. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to your LLE representative, or the SLRD staff listed on the project webpage:

[slrd.bc.ca/catilinedfm](http://slrd.bc.ca/catilinedfm)