



## INCIDENT NAME

Big Bar Landslide

## INCIDENT LOCATION

North of Big Bar on the Fraser River

## DATE PREPARED

July 10 2019



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## UPDATES

- The Unified Command Incident Management Team continues to work together to create options for action on the Big Bar Landslide.
- The Big Bar Landslide First Nations liaison facilitated the first First Nations Advisory Committee conference calls yesterday. These calls will continue to take place in the future as a way to consult with and inform First Nations partners.
- Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Fisheries, Oceans, and the Canadian Coast Guard, Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), and Jati Sidhu, Member of Parliament for Mission-Matsqui-Fraser Canyon, visited the Incident Command Post yesterday. The ministers met with personnel from the Unified Command Incident Management Team for a technical briefing, took a helicopter tour of the landslide area and met with local First Nations representatives and media to answer questions.
- A significant build up of debris from the Chilcotin River has created unsettled conditions on the Fraser River. The debris has restricted field personnel from collecting data at the hydroacoustic fish monitoring stations. Personnel continue to be on standby for improved conditions.
- Scalers are making good progress removing loose rock from the site. They are, once again, being supported by sluicing operations from a helicopter with a bucket.
- Additional field personnel have been added to help establish site safety. The incident safety officer continues to assess on-site safety for personnel.
- Fish catch and tag methods to track the quantity of fish traveling through the slide site are scheduled to begin as soon as possible. Debris continues to affect the feasibility of this method. Once data is gathered and analyzed it will be used by the Environmental Unit for future recommendations.



*The slide site continues to see debris with rising water levels.*



*Minister Donaldson (middle) and Minister Wilkinson (right) are briefed by technical specialist, Timber Whitehouse (left).*

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