

Application Details

File: 7408614

Name of Applicant: HOLMES HYDRO INC.

Legal Description and Location of Land: Unsurveyed Crown land situated to that part of the Holmes River located east of Highway 16 E, Cariboo District.

Parcel Size: 66 ha \pm (163 acres) in total area. Line will be 66 km long. 45 km having a width of 30 metres and 21 km having a width of 20 metres.

Reference Map Numbers: BCGS 93H030, 93H040, 93E031, 93E032, 93E033 and 93E023

Proposed Land Use: A 138 KV electric power transmission line following the Holmes River Forest Service Road from 0 to 21 kilometre (km). a 138 KV substation to be located at 21 km. A smaller voltage transmission line (25 KV) will run from 15 km to 21 km paralleling the 138 KV line. A second small voltage transmission line (25 KV) will run from 55 km on the road down to the 21 km substation. Small feeder lines conveying power from each power generating plant will connect with these small transmission lines. The width of the right of way for the 138 KV line will be 30 metres. The width of the right of way for the 25 KV lines and feeder lines will be 20 metres.

Proposed Type of Tenure and Estimated Period of Use:

Normally an interim License of Occupation for 2 years until construction of power line and survey is completed. Then conversion to a 30 year Statutory Right of Way (SRW). SRW to be replaced upon expiry if desired. The construction of the transmission line may be phased depending on which water power generating facilities are to be built first. It may be that the initial license will be issued for a 10 year term to allow for construction of the whole transmission line before conversion to a SRW.

Other Information/Comments: Should the Applicant be granted an interim Licence of Occupation over Crown Land, the Applicant will likely require the following:

- Occupant Licence to Cut from the Ministry of Forests and Range for removal of trees from the improvement areas. The volume is difficult to estimate. 80% of the right of way will traverse logged/reforested land as well as old and existing logging roads. Most will have either no or immature trees. 20% of the harvesting will likely involve mature timber.
- A Temporary Road Permit under the Land Act to authorize the building of any new roads or improvement of existing roads to provide access to construction areas where improvements will be located.
- Water Act Approval(s) from the Ministry of Environment to allow work in and about streams to enable construction of new improvements.

Your comments should also address the additional authorizations this client will have to obtain.