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Prince George Update to July 22

## Issues:

Kemess: Mobilization for powerline R/W stabilization/reclamation program scheduled to start today. Follow up by regional MEM ongoing through August. An investigation and DO report into a worker reporting unsafe conditions has been required by the DIRE. Worker (safety committee rep.?) reported to a OHSC co-chair that he was told to ignore an unsafe condition.

**Computers:** New server up and running thanks to Mike Swift. Some permit delays as a result of backlog. Used replacement hardware arriving for some other workstations that have been having difficulty.

## FYI:

Gibraltar: Taseko has announced that they have completed the acquisition of the Gibraltar Mine. This is very good news for the community of Williams lake, as the previous owner Boliden had indicated that they would be fully decommissioning the plant and moving some of the assets to Chile. An ore reserve of 12 years at an improved copper price is expected. Exploration planned for Sept/Oct 1999.

Mt. Polley: DO in mill basement, am July 22, involved an electrician who tried to move a "hot" welding cable that was pinched under an outrigger of a rubber tired Droit hoe. Worker was ambulatory and sent to Williams Lake hospital for observation. Inspector investigating and providing hands on training. PLC newsletter out.

Wingdam: Owners of the property (Goldridge Resources) are proposing summer exploration and clean-up program. Potential for underground exploration. Company aware of outstanding orders.

Kakwa: Upgrading roads and bridges, have some sales contracts.

MK: Maximum turnaround time of thirty days requested for any heli-supported exploration (drilling) programs that requires a permit. Regional office must really, really keep on top of any permit applications in the MK. Romona Blackwell coordinating Churchill assessment.

Horsefly SRP: Romona attending meeting in Likely on July 22 to update miners on the SRP.

Admin: Shelly Webber started with us July 22 under the YEP. Shelley is scheduled to be with us for an eight week period working primarily with Bob and Ken. Welcome to the Mines Branch Shelley.