

Washer Creek Restoration



HART (WASHER) CREEK RELOCATION

CAUTION: HEAVY EQUIPMENT IN USE

Union Bay operated as a major shipping port from approximately 1888 to 1960. Coal was transported by rail from the coal mines in Cumberland, BC to the port at Union Bay. The waste from the coal processing operations was piled at the end of Union Point (the current location of the waste coal pile).

Hart Creek (also known as Washer Creek) has eroded the slopes of the waste coal pile resulting in increased sediment load in the creek and migration of the creek. To prevent additional erosion and to enhance streamflow and aquatic habitat conditions, the re-alignment of Hart Creek has been scheduled. The work began in the Fall of 2005 and is to be completed by Fall 2006.

The work will be conducted in the section of Hart Creek located downstream of Highway 19A, in areas disturbed by the historical coal processing plant. No areas of the creek that remain in the natural streambed will be affected by the re-alignment.



Bank Erosion



Hart Creek Habitat Enhancement - 2005





















































