

QUARRY AND LIME PLANT PROJECT

Giscome



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FALL 2007 OPEN HOUSES

We plan to hold public open houses in Giscome and in Prince George in the fall of 2007.

Open house dates & times will be announced by newsletter and newspaper advertisements.

INTRODUCTION

This is the first in a series of newsletters that will keep our neighbours informed about the proposed Giscome Quarry and Lime Plant Project by Graymont Western Canada Inc. The proposed Project is located near Giscome, about 27 kilometres northeast of the City of Prince George in the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George, BC. In this first newsletter, we would like to introduce the Project and describe opportunities for you to learn more about it. We welcome your input and look forward to speaking with you at future open house events.

GRAYMONT WESTERN CANADA

Graymont is part of the Graymont Group – a privately owned Canadian company with head offices in Richmond, BC. Graymont is committed to responsibly meeting society's needs for lime and limestone products. Graymont has been in the lime and limestone business for over 50 years and is the third largest lime producer in North America. Central to our corporate philosophy is a long-term approach to business, built upon a solid commitment of sustainable growth through active participation in the community and responsible environmental, workplace, and operating practices.

The location was selected for the abundant reserves of high quality limestone, proximity to markets, and proximity to transportation infrastructure. The Lime Plant would be located adjacent to the CN railway, on a former CN ballast quarry site that is being purchased by Graymont. The Quarry operation would be located about 7 kilometres from the Plant Site on Crown land where Graymont holds mineral claims. Recent exploration efforts have demonstrated enough limestone reserves to allow Graymont to operate at this site for many decades. As a stable and long-term member of local communities where it operates, Graymont is committed to excellence in planning, operations and reclamation phases of the Project.



WHY IS THIS PROJECT IMPORTANT?

Lime is a natural material used in a wide variety of applications including water purification, sewage treatment, environmental protection, construction materials, and agriculture. The lime products from the proposed Giscome Plant are expected to be used in markets related to environmental protection and removing pollutants from air emissions. Typical applications include flue gas desulphurization or FGD (the removal of sulphur resulting from the industrial burning of high sulphur fossil fuels) and acid mine waste treatment. The geographic reach of the proposed Lime Plant would extend from the prairies to Alaska. The stability and geographic breadth of these markets is expected to support the economic diversification objectives of the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George.



CURRENT STATUS OF THE PROJECT

The planning and regulatory approvals process for the Giscome Project is still at an early stage. We have formally started work on a British Columbia Environmental Assessment in cooperation with the BC Environmental Assessment Office (EAO). It is expected that a Terms of Reference for the Environmental Assessment will be issued for public review during 2007. Graymont consultants are currently visiting the Giscome area to collect environmental and land use data in support of the site planning and environmental assessment process. We expect that the Environmental Assessment will be submitted to the EAO during the first half of 2008.

Applications will also be submitted to the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George for appropriate amendments to the Official Community Plan, Site Specific Zoning, and Agricultural Land Reserve Exclusion in the case of the proposed Plant Site.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Graymont will be consulting with all of our neighbours and groups including the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, local landowners, businesses, residents, regional authorities and others.



All stakeholders and the general public will be kept informed throughout the planning and regulatory approvals process through newsletters, open houses meetings, a toll-free phone line, and information posted on our web-site.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

We know and appreciate that people throughout the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George have questions about the Project. You can get further information in the following ways:

Visit our web-site at www.graymont.com

You will find a Project Description document that contains more information about the scale of the Project and maps of the Project site.

Plan to attend our public open house meetings in Giscome and Prince George

Open house dates and times will be announced by newsletters and newspaper advertisements. Officials from the BC Environmental Assessment Office and the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George will also be in attendance to answer any questions you may have about the regulatory process.

Call our toll-free phone line at 1-866-404-4763

Ask to speak to Ron Wrigley or Liisa Tipman at Brown and Associates Planning Group. Ron and Liisa are the public consultation coordinators for the Project. They can provide you with available information or referrals to appropriate people on the Project team for more detailed information.

Please email LTipman@brownandassociates.com to be placed on our mailing list to receive future newsletters.