

BULLETIN

OPERATIONS AT INSTREAM FLOW RELEASE STRUCTURES ON THE RIVIÈRE RUPERT, RIVIÈRE LEMARE AND RIVIÈRE DE LA NEMISCAU

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The Société d'énergie de la Baie James (SEBJ) wishes to inform you that the following operations will be carried over the next few weeks at the instream flow release structures in the Rivière Rupert diversion project area:

- From mid-April to mid-June, operations carried out at the instream flow release structures will recreate a spring flood in the **Rivière de la Nemiscau and the Rivière Lemare** equivalent to their mean natural flows;
- In mid-June, further operations at the instream flow release structures will stabilize the flow in the **Rivière de la Nemiscau and the Rivière Lemare** so that it is equivalent to the mean natural flow in summer in both rivers;
- As of May 8, 2010, operations will be carried out at the Rupert spillway to discharge the spring instream flow. Around mid-June, once the spring cycle has been completed, the instream flow in the **Rivière Rupert** will be set to that established for summer.

All of these measures are being taken in accordance with the conditions set out in the government approvals obtained by HQ/SEBJ in 2007.

It should be noted that, before the gates of the instream flow release structures are opened,

- SEBJ will meet with the tallymen and their families to inform them of the operations planned on the Rivière de la Nemiscau, the Rivière Lemare and the Rivière Rupert;
- For this year, SEBJ will conduct overflights of the rivers' shorelines to make sure that they are unoccupied, safety and free of unmoored boats.

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