

Q. What components of the Rattling Brook refurbishment could be left until the major overhaul in 2012?

A. None of the work planned for 2007 can be deferred until 2012 or 2013. The work proposed for 2007 is required to be completed in 2007 for the reasons explained in the 2007 Capital Budget Application.

As part of the assessment of the feasibility of the Rattling Brook hydro-electric plant, engineering assessments were completed from the most upstream reservoir through to the tailrace tunnel associated with the facility. Based on those engineering assessments, all foreseeable material capital expenditure requirements for the Rattling Brook hydroelectric development over the next 50 years have been identified. The details of those capital expenditure requirements are outlined in Volume II, Appendix H, page H-1.

Please refer to the Response to PUB-9.0 NP for further detail regarding the timing of the various components of the proposed Rattling Brook refurbishment.