

1     **Re: Page B-144, Install Storage Ramp, \$135,400**

2     Q.     Using the experience of the ramps installed in Bishop's Falls and Bay  
3             D'Espoir please provide a cost benefit analysis to illustrate the value of  
4             installing new ramps in the Port Saunders and Holyrood yards.

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7     A.     It is not appropriate to perform a cost benefit analysis for this project. Hydro  
8             stores equipment and material outdoors and it must be stored in such a way  
9             that it can be identified and retrieved quickly without damage, even when  
10            there is deep snow on the ground. Storage ramps also provide a means for  
11            inspecting oil containing equipment such as transformers, so that any  
12            leakage can be identified and addressed quickly. Storage ramps permit the  
13            orderly and organized storage of equipment and materials and improve the  
14            flow of materials in the yards.