

Mine reclamation escapes the pinch

The Mt. Washington mine reclamation project has escaped provincial budget cutbacks, Father Charles Brandt says.

Brandt says he was informed Friday that the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, the lead ministry working on the project, has been able to allocate a “healthy budget” to continue work at the site this summer.

The purpose of the project is to stop a deadly flow of copper leachates from streaming out of an abandoned open pit copper mine on the mountain. The copper pollution has decimated

once-prolific fish runs on the Tsoi urn River.

Brandt commended Comox Valley NDP MLA Margaret Lord for being very supportive of the project.

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