

DEAN RIVER

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Kimsquit Bay & Dean Channel 'resurrected'

Dean Channel is the upper end of one of the longest inlets of the British Columbia Coast and at its upper reaches there are the mouths of two major rivers. One is the Kimsquit River, which meets the Dean Channel at its headwaters. The second meets the Dean Channel 6mi/10km to the south, close to the once-thriving Kimsquit Community and Airport Facility...

Welcome to the RTMM Dean River scenery.



Fly to Kimsquit Bay, using the RTMM flight plan to the airstrip. The airstrip was in use up to the 1980s and RTMM has tidied the place up a bit, added lighting, a hanger and office area. The autopilot will bring you right in line with the airstrip for an easy landing. If you approach at dusk or dawn you'll see flashing green and red marine marker lights and then the yellow lights RTMM has added to the airstrip.

Around you is Kimsquit Village, once inhabited by the Nuxalt People [a.k.a. 'Bella Coola' – 'stranger']. RTMM has breathed life into the Village: there is smoke above the houses, there are cars in the driveways and also a church. Flying over the area at night, it "sparkles" with street lights - just as you would expect see in the real world. The entire town has been "lit" for your enjoyment. Well worth exploring with 'Bob' at any time of day.

Reboard, turn around and take off towards the head of the Channel. Turn there to approach and make a landing on the turquoise waters at the Dean River Seaport in Kimsquit Bay. Along the waterfront area on the SE shoreline of the Bay you will see:

- **seaplanes** moored at the numerous wooden jetties
- a **log barge**
- a fine looking **DHC 2**, in some familiar colors, in front of
- the **Dean River Float Rental and Dive Shop**
- an extensively modelled **logging loading area** (Dean River Logging),
- a **Brad's Bait & BBQ**
- a **medical center** for the area near the **airport**: 'Dean River' [PF32], complete with a **helipad** and a **sea plane dock** for emergencies.



The helipad and the seaplane dock, close to the **Dean River Medical Center**, are for emergencies. Everything is "lit" for night operation including a water runway stretching into the Bay marked with red and green buoys that flash when there is a night time emergency. You'll notice these buoys as you taxi to the shoreline.



In front of the Dive Shop are the rusting remains of a sunken logging ship, so this location shouldn't be too hard to find!



At the head of Dean Channel RTMM has added a logging/shipping operation with a functional airstrip (not lighted) at Kimsquit Airport that you can use for wheeled aircraft [*ramp coordinates are at the end of this document*]. There is AI marine traffic nearby. A short stretch of the airstrip can be seen in the lower right corner of the screenshot below.



You will have noticed the superb mountain views in this scenery as you fly in and admire the view. As usual, ORBX have done a good work in this area.

There's a lot to be seen and done at Dean River. Although this document has covered much, it is not exhaustive. There's plenty more to be discovered.

Dean River is a 'tour de force' by Doug Linn for RTMM and is highly recommended.

NOTES:

1. Dean River scenery contains some suggested starting points for its companion RTMM scenery, Dean River Run. In this scenery you'll embark on a challenging 60mi/100km river run along the Dean River and the Itasyuko River to Sigutlat Lake. [*Check out the scenery entry below Dean River on the RTMM Scenery page.*]
2. Kimsquit Airport Ramp
N: 52° 49.54' W: 126° 57.85' Hdg:194°

INSTALLATION & MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Recommended method of Installation

Even if you are a seasoned installer of RTMM scenery files, you are advised to read the installation instructions - they are not always the same!

- Extract the contents of 'Dean River V2.0.zip' to the location where you store your scenery files
- Place a copy of the scenery folder, 'Dean River', into your sim's add on scenery folder

RTMM recommends this folder structure: P3D or FSX\Addon Scenery\RTMM\ Dean River

- Add the scenery to your sim's scenery library
- Start your sim, load the flight plan, take off and enjoy!

Miscellaneous

RTMM does not recommend use of the autopilot for any flights that require the pilot to fly "Low, Slow and Dangerous" - exercise 'best judgment' regarding use of the autopilot.

A special '**thank you**' goes from RTMM to Ken Hall and Mark Lee of 'OZx' who have given permission to use their objects in various RTMM scenery packages. They add so much to what RTMM does and RTMM is grateful ... and, no doubt, RTMM users are grateful too.