

Tips for Successful Joint Use Engagement & Planning

As you consider planning for and coordinating a joint use engagement with Hydro One, there are a few critical items to ensure success:

Early Notice & Communications of Planned Work

Providing early notice of planned work will ensure that Hydro One has ample time to assess the work scope and determine how best to support joint use partners with their planned deployments.

Contact <u>ExternalJointUse@HydroOne.com</u> to provide notice of planned work 9-12 months in advance of the expected build date.

Submission of Application Forecasts

Application forecasts are critical for Hydro One to better plan its resource strategy, and determine the extent of any coordination required, including potential opportunities to leverage planned capital or sustainment work Hydro One may be undertaking in/around the areas of the planned builds.

Contact <u>ExternalJointUse@HydroOne.com</u> to provide forecasts of estimated permit application submissions and corresponding poles and/or fibre kilometers to be attached in JUMP and/or other formats requested by Hydro One.

Bundling of Application Submissions

Bundled applications allow Hydro One to determine how to most effectively and efficiently support the planned deployments.

- □ Ensure applications are bundled by the following categories:
 - **Application Size:** Recognizing that certain deployments may result in applications being submitted with less poles, joint use partners will be required to look at bundling poles into a project that can allow for Hydro One to determine the most effective/efficient resourcing strategy as needed, while being responsive to joint use partners' deployment timelines.
 - **Geography:** Recognizing that certain applications may be in areas where bundling may not be viable, joint use partners will be required to look at bundling if poles into a project that are in proximity to each other (i.e., relatively close driving distance).
 - Work Scope: Recognizing that certain applications may have a fixed work scope where bundling may not be viable, joint use partners will be required to look at bundling poles into a project with similar work scopes and combining poles with more complex work scope (e.g., attaching on poles crossing railroads, waterways, requiring third party consents etc.). This will allow Hydro One and the joint use partner to then progress work forward, while being responsive to joint use partners' deployment timelines.

For any questions on these tips or engaging with Hydro One Joint Use, please contact ExternalJointUse@HydroOne.com.