

# Appendix C

## *Project Information Sheets*



# THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

## WHAT IS IT?

In Ontario, the *Environmental Assessment Act* and its regulations ensure environmental effects are taken into consideration for all phases of a project, from planning to decommissioning.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) includes consultation with Indigenous communities, government officials and agencies, and interested persons and organizations, consideration and evaluation of alternatives and the mitigation of potential environmental effects. The EA process is designed to assess the existing environment and mitigate potential effects before decisions are made about proceeding with a proposed project.

EAs require approval from the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

## THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT DEFINES ENVIRONMENT TO MEAN:

- Air, land or water;
- Plant and animal life, including human life;
- The social, economic and cultural conditions that influence the life of humans or a community;
- Any building, structure, machine or other device or thing made by humans;
- Any solid, liquid, gas, odour, heat, sound, vibration or radiation resulting directly or indirectly from human activities; or,
- Any part or combination of the foregoing and the interrelationships between any two or more of them.





## THE EA PROCESS

Consultation with Indigenous communities, government agencies, stakeholders and the public occurs throughout the EA process.

The milestones involved in an EA are:

- STEP 1** Develop and consult on the draft ToR. Submit the ToR to Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for review and decision.
- STEP 2** Prepare an EA based on the approved ToR
- STEP 3** Submit an EA
- STEP 4** Public and government review
- STEP 5** Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks review
- STEP 6** Indigenous and stakeholder consultation on the Ministry review
- STEP 7** Minister's decision
- STEP 8** Once approved, acquire other permits and approvals as required. Implement the project, fulfilling commitments made during the EA and monitoring compliance and effects.

## THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

The first step of an EA is the preparation of a Terms of Reference (ToR). The ToR will set out the framework and work plan for the preparation of the EA, including an outline of the studies and consultation activities that will be carried out. Important aspects of the EA process will be to identify and evaluate alternative routes, assess potential effects of the new transmission line and determine measures to reduce or mitigate these effects.

The anticipated completion date for the Waasigan ToR is fall 2020, at which point it will be submitted to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for review. Once approved, the EA will proceed as outlined in the approved ToR.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about the proposed Waasigan Transmission Line and Environmental Assessment visit [HydroOne.com/Waasigan](https://HydroOne.com/Waasigan).



# ENAAGADAWAABANJI- GAADEG AANIIN GE-IZHISEMAGAK AKI

## WEGONEN I'I?

Omaa Ontario Akiikaaning iwe *Environmental Assessment Act* gaa-izhinikaadeg inaakonigewin gaa-inwaadeg ji-naagadawaabanjigaadeg aaniin ge-izhisemagaki aki gegoo gii-izhichigeng imaa, nitam gii-maajitaang biinish gii-giizhichigaadeg.

Gii-izhichigeng iwe Environmental Assessment Act (EA), gaganonaawag anishinaabeg imaa gaa-ayaawaad dazhiikewining, gaye ogimaawining gaa-izhi-dibendaagoziwaad gaye igi ge-dagwiiwaad gaye gakina awiyag, eganawaabanjigaadeg wegonen ge-izhichigengibag gaye dash aaniin ge-izhichigeng ji-onzaami-maanzhidoojigaadeg aki gegoo gii-ozhichigaadeg bagwadakamig. Amii ezhichigeng enaanaagadawaabanjigaadeg aki jibwaa-maajitaang, aaniin ezhinaagwak, miinawaa dash ji-ikidong aaniin ge-izhichigeng jibwaa-maajitaang.

Andawenjigaade ji-ikidowaad ogimaag Environment, Conservation and Parks gaa-onjiiwaad ji-bagidinamowaad gegoo ji-izhichigeng. gaa-onjiiwaadwe inaakonigewin EA gaa-izhinikaadeg

## INAAKONIGEWIN IKIDOOMAGAN IWE GAA-IJIGAADEG ENVIRONMENT OWE:

- gaa-bagidanaamowing gaye aki gaye nibi
- gaa-nitaawigingin daabishkoo gitigaanan gaye bemaadiziwaad daabishkoo awensiwag gaye anishinaabeg
- gaa-ayaamagak gakina gegoo gaa-gikendamowaad bemaadiziwaad dabishkoo gii-wiijdaandiwaad, gii-anokiiwaad gaye odizhitwaawiniwaa dazhiikewining
- waaka'iganan gemaa gegoo gaa-bimibideg gaa-gii-ozhitoowaad bemaadiziwaad
- wegonen igo gaa-ayaamagak, gemaa gaa-dipaabaaweg gemaa minaagwak gemaa gaa-gizhideg, gemaa noondaagwak gemaa gaa-gizhaateg gaa-gii-ozhitoowaad awiyag
- wegonen gaa-onjiiimagak gii-nagishkodaadiimagakin gegoonan.





## THE EA IZHICHIGEWIN

Gii-biminizha'igaadeg iwe EA izhichigewin, da-megwaashkawaawag Anishinaabeg gaye ogimaawinan, gaye igi gaa-dagwiiwaad gaye gakina awiya. O'owe da-izhisemagan:

### NIITAM 1

Da-ozhibii'igaade ge biminizha'igaadeg

### MIINAWAA 2

Da-ozhibii'igaade iwe Enaagadawaabanjigaadeg Aaniin Ge-izhisemagak Aki ishkwa-gikenjigaadeg ge-biminizha'igaadeg

### MIINAWAA 3

Da-izhinizha'igaade iwe Enaagadawaabanjigaadeg Aaniin Ge-izhisemagak Aki

### MIINAWAA 4

Gakina awiya gaye Ogimaawinan o-da-agindaanaawaa

### MIINAWAA 5

ogimaag Environment, Conservation and Parks gaa-onjiiwaa o-daganawaabandaanaawaa

### MIINAWAA 6

Gakina awiyag o-daganawaabandaanaawaa gaa-gii-inendang Awe Ogimaawin

### MIINAWAA 7

Ogimaawin da-inendam ge-izhichigeng

### MIINAWAA 8

Da-maadakamigan ji-biminizha'igaadeg gaa-gii-ikidong, gaye ji-naagadawaabanjigaadeg ezhiseq

## GE-BIMINIZHA'IGAADEG

Nitam da-ozhibii'igaade iwe enendamong ge-biminizha'igaadeg, ge-izhichigeng ji-ozhiitaang ji-anokaadeg iwe EA gaa-izhinigaadeg, da-ozhibii'igaadewan imaa ini nanaando-gikenjigewinan gaye gaa-gii-izhinagishkawindwaa awiyag. Maawach gechi-inendaagwak ji-naagadawaabanjigaadegin gaye ji-dazhindeg gin gegoo bakaan inake ge-danakamigikiban maagizhaa minosesinog nitam gaa-inendaagwak ji-gojichigaadeg, miinawaa daa-naagadawaabanjigaade aaniin ge-inishkaagemagakiban iwe oshki-gichi-waasiganeyaab gaye dash ji-naanaagadawenjigaadeg aaniin ge-gii-izhichigeng maawach ge-onji-maanishkaagemagakibaniin.

Bagosenjigaade ngoji go 2020 maajiseq ji-giizhichigaadeg iwe mazina'igan "Ge-biminizha'igaadeg" gaa-izhinikaadeg, amii dash imaa MOgimaakaang Evironment, Cons. And Parks ge-izhinizha'igaadeg ji-aginjigaadeg gaye ji-ikidong e-onizhishing. Amii dash EA ge-izhi-maajitaawaad gaa-izhising imaa mazina'iganing ji-izhichigewaad.

## GIIYAABI WIINDAMAAGEWIN

Giiyaabi wii-gikendaman iwe ga-wii-ozhichigaadeg Gichi-Waasiganeyaab gaye iwe EA omaa izhi-daataanginigen

[HydroOne.com/Waasigan](https://HydroOne.com/Waasigan)



# THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Hydro One has initiated an Environmental Assessment (EA) for a new transmission line between Thunder Bay, Atikokan and Dryden. The Waasigan Transmission Line will provide additional electrical capacity to northwestern Ontario.

Developing the Terms of Reference (ToR) is the first step in the EA process. It sets out the framework for the planning and decision-making process to be followed throughout the EA, including the studies and engagement activities to be completed.

Hydro One is in the process of preparing the Draft ToR for the EA. This process provides opportunities for public and Indigenous engagement early in the planning process to guide how the EA will be carried out.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE TERMS OF REFERENCE?

The ToR will include the following elements:

- Identification of the proponent;
- Indication of how the EA will be prepared;
- Purpose of the study or undertaking;
- Description of and rationale for the undertaking;
- Description of and rationale for alternatives;
- Description of the existing environment and potential effects of the undertaking;
- Assessment and evaluation;
- Commitments and monitoring;
- Consultation plan for the environmental assessment;
- Flexibility to accommodate new circumstances; and
- Other approvals required.





## DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Draft ToR will be made available for review. Hydro One will notify Indigenous communities, government officials and agencies, and interested persons and organizations of the details of the review, including how to view the Draft ToR, how to provide comments, and the date by which comments must be received.

Comments submitted during this review period should be directed to Hydro One via email, and copied to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Comments and feedback received during the Draft ToR review period will be compiled into the Record of Consultation, including how comments and concerns were addressed by Hydro One. A summary of the engagement activities undertaken will be included with the proposed ToR.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about the proposed Waasigan Transmission Line Project visit [HydroOne.com/Waasigan](https://HydroOne.com/Waasigan).

For more information on the ToR process, please refer to the [Ministry's Code of Practice: Preparing and Reviewing Terms of Reference for Environmental Assessments in Ontario](#).

## TERMS OF REFERENCE SUBMISSION

As required, the Draft ToR will be revised to address comments raised. The ToR will then be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) who will hold their own 30-day review period. A Notice of Submission of the ToR will be released. During this review period, comments can be made on the proposed ToR directly to the Project Officer at the MECP. Following this review period, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks will make a decision to either approve, amend or reject the ToR.

If approved by the Minister, the EA would proceed as outlined in the ToR.





# POWERING NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO

Hydro One has been a part of northwestern Ontario for more than 50 years. We live and work in the North and plan to continue powering the communities, homes and businesses for many more years to come.

This is why we are beginning work on a new high voltage transmission line from Thunder Bay to Atikokan, and north to Dryden. This proposed line will bring increased capacity and reliability to the region and open the north to more development opportunities. Hydro One has named the project the Waasigan Transmission Line; Waasigan is an Ojibwe word for 'bringing power'.

Development work for the Waasigan Transmission Line is founded on open, respectful and collaborative consultation with the communities and people that call the north home. Hydro One understands how important meaningful community partnerships are, and we look forward to strengthening existing relationships and building new ones.





## Connecting with the people of northwestern Ontario through



Consultation



Working with  
Indigenous  
Communities



Community  
partnerships

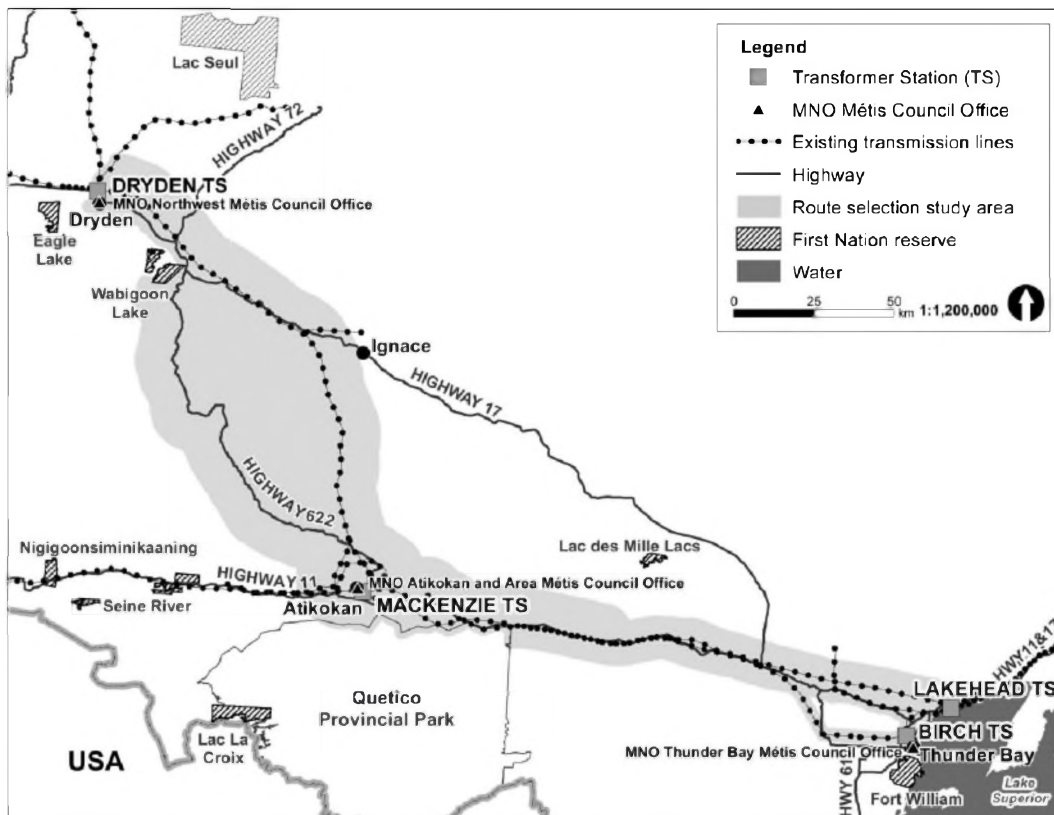


Information  
sharing



Long term  
investment

The Waasigan Transmission Line project is a new double circuit 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line between Lakehead Transformer Station (TS) in the municipality of Shuniah and Mackenzie TS in the town of Atikokan, and a new single-circuit 230 kV transmission line between Mackenzie TS and Dryden TS in the city of Dryden.



For more information please visit [HydroOne.com/Waasigan](http://HydroOne.com/Waasigan) or call our Community Relations team at 1.877.345.6799





## E-ONAABIIGINIGAADEG GIIWEDINONG- NINGAABII'ANONG ONTARIO

Bi-ayaamagan HydroOne omaa giiwedinong-ningaabii'anong Ontario aazha awashime 50 daso-biboon. Omaa giiwedinong nindayaamin amii dash waa-izhi-onaabiiginamaang waasiganeyaabiin dazhiikewining gaye daawining gaye gaa-izhi-bimiwijigaadeg zhooniyaakewin giyaabi ginwesh ani-akiiwang.

Amii dash wenji-maajitaayaang e-wii-onaabiiginamaang oshki-gichi-waasiganeyaab Animikii-wiikwedong ji-ondaabiigising biinish imaa Adikokaning miinawaa dash wedi Dryden inake. Ozhichigaadeg owe gichi-waasiganeyaab, niibiwa da-onjiimagan waasigan imaa inake akiing, nawach dash da-minose anokiiwin. HydroOne dash o-gii-wiindaan owe izhichigewin "Waasigan Gichi-waasiganeyaab" amii aaniish iwe ezhinikaadeg anishinaabemong waasiganeyaab, e-biiijigaadeg waasigan.

E-maajichigaadeg iwe anokiiwin ji-ozhichigaadeg iwe Waasigan Gichi-waasiganeyaab, weweni gaganonaawag gaa-ayaawaad dazhiikewining gaye igiwe bemaadiziwaad omaa giiwedinong. HydroOne onisidotaan aaniin epiichi-gichi-inenjigaadeg ji-wiiji'idiwaad bebakaan awiyag amii dash ezhi-bagosendamaang ji-zoongitoowaang ono dinookaanan wiijiwidiwinan gaye ji-ozhitoowaang oshki-wiijiwidiwinan.



## E-wijiwangidwaa giwedionng Ontario gaa-ayaawaad owe izhi:



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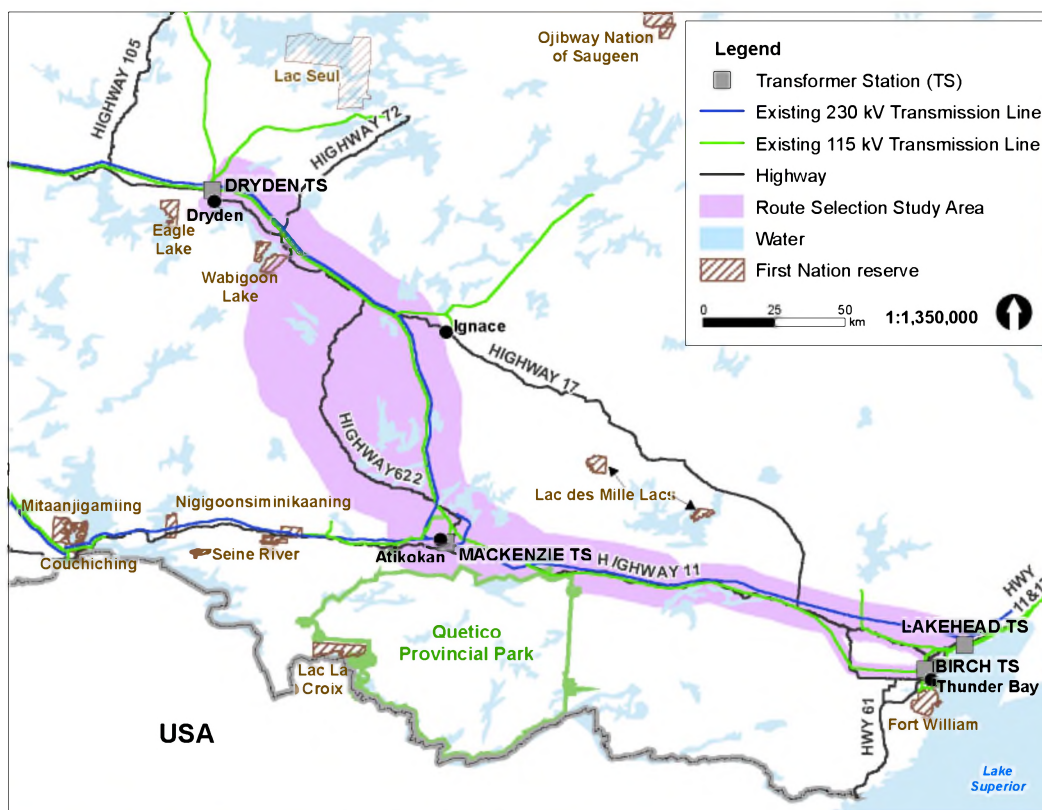
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Iwe Waasigan Gichi-waasiganeyaab izhichigewin da-oshki-niizhwaabiigamon 2230 kV ji-apiitendaagwak imaa dash Lakehead Waasiganigamigong (TS) ji-ondaabiigamog imaa Zhooniya miinawaa Mackenzie TS imaa oodenaang Adikokan, miinawaa dash da-bezhigwaabiigamon 230 kV ji-apiitendaagwak Mackenzie TS gaye Dryden TS ji-ondaabiigamog imaa oodenaang Dryden.



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