

PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - VISUAL ASSESSMENT



SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

This notice provides information on the planned start of the field surveys to support a visual assessment that will be completed as part of the environmental assessment for Waasigan. WSP Golder is completing a visual assessment to support the selection of a preferred route, as well as the effects assessment for the new transmission line.

SURVEY INFORMATION

The table below provides information on the field surveys for the visual assessment:

	VISUAL ASSESSMENT
WHY are we doing the surveys?	To document existing viewing conditions from viewpoints along all alternative routes and to support the creation of visualizations that will show what the transmission line would look like at those locations.
WHAT activities are involved?	Field crews will visit viewpoints within the study area for observation and to collect photographs.
WHEN will the surveys happen?	Surveys will be completed in October.
WHERE will the survey take place?	 Viewpoints will be taken at different types of locations which will serve as representative examples of the study area. Example viewpoint types include roads, residential areas, views from water, recreational trails and traditional use areas (if identified and permitted by Indigenous communities).

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

The proposed survey locations can be viewed online using a Webviewer at the link below.

We welcome any feedback on the proposed survey locations. Maps of the survey locations are also available for download at the link below. Comments can be made in the field map book and sent back to us via email.

CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE WEBVIEWER

CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE FIELD MAP BOOK



If there is any information regarding the locations or timing of the proposed surveys that you would like us to be aware of, please contact us using the contact details below. **Comments would be appreciated by September 23, 2022** so that they can be considered prior to the start of field work.

INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

Golder is looking to hire additional Indigenous field crew members, and communities can also participate by sending community-hired field monitors. There is currently capacity for additional community members within all crews. Field work schedules will be shared regularly that include the types of surveys being conducted, number of crews, days and approximate hours, and geographic area. As schedules are subject to change, please confirm with the Project team prior to making arrangements for community monitors to join a crew.

To ensure community-hired field monitors are protected, Hydro One requires proof of the following:

- Property damage and public liability insurance coverage; and
- Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) registration.

If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to these requirements, please contact us so that we can work together to ensure there are no barriers to Indigenous community participation in these field surveys.

Indigenous field crew members hired directly by Golder will be covered under Golder's WSIB and liability insurance. This hiring process can take approximately 1 to 2 weeks.

Another option for participation are site visits where members of your community can join a crew in the field to discuss the work being completed. If there is any interest in this approach, please let us know and we can work together to plan a visit.

CONTACT INFORMATION

We encourage you to ask questions and provide comments on the proposed field work. If you are interested in participation opportunities or have comments on the proposed field work, please contact Golder's Environmental Assessment Specialist, Heather Kyer, at 613-314-8473 or heather.kyer@wsp.com.