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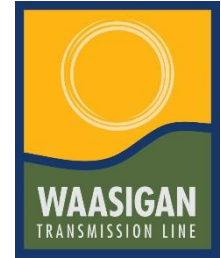
Field Program Notification

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - AMPHIBIAN, TURTLE BASKING AND BAT HIBERNACULA SURVEYS



MAY 2, 2022

This notice provides information on the planned start of the following field surveys:

- Amphibian (i.e., frog and toad call counts);
- Turtle basking; and
- Bat hibernaculum.

Additional notices will be provided prior to the start of other terrestrial field surveys and for the start of the aquatics (e.g., fish and fish habitat) field program.

SURVEY INFORMATION

Golder Associates, a member of WSP, has been hired by Hydro One to carry out field surveys to support the environmental assessment. Multiple crews will be required during the various surveys and each crew will generally consist of three individuals, including an Indigenous field crew member.

Given the late spring in northwestern Ontario, these surveys are anticipated to start **no earlier than the week of May 16, 2022**. This date may shift later depending on weather conditions. The following table provides information on each survey:

	FROG AND TOAD CALL COUNTS	TURTLE BASKING*	BAT HIBERNACULA
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To capture calling frogs and toads throughout their breeding season based on their distinctive calls. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To collect data on turtle presence and use of certain wetlands for overwintering. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify locations that may support bat hibernaculum (overwintering habitat).
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires three rounds of surveys. • Field crews will travel by truck to road-side call count stations. • At each station, a crew will spend three minutes listening for frogs and toads and identifying their species. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field crews will visit marsh and wetland areas to visually assess for the presence of basking turtles. • Water temperature will be checked to confirm that air temperature is warmer than the habitats (wetlands and waterbodies) being surveyed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A ground survey will be completed to visually inspect sites that could support bat hibernacula.



	FROG AND TOAD CALL COUNTS	TURTLE BASKING*	BAT HIBERNACULA
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survey timing is temperature dependent. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Round 1 – May (when temperatures are above 5°C at dusk) Round 2 – June (when temperatures are above 10°C at dusk) Round 3 – July (when temperatures are above 15°C at dusk) The survey period will begin 30 minutes after sunset and end by midnight. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During spring (late May) and early summer when turtles are actively basking to increase their body temperatures following the hibernation period. Surveys should occur after the ice cover has melted and between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be completed alongside other surveys and will not start prior to the start of the frog and toad call count surveys.
WHERE will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stations will be distributed across suitable breeding habitat, with focus on habitats with roadside access. Stations will be spaced a minimum of 500 metres apart to avoid double counting individuals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survey locations include areas of potential turtle habitat for overwintering and nesting, such as marshes and open-water wetlands. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveys will take place at locations of potential bat overwintering habitat within the study area, including historic mine sites and bedrock features.

**Based on feedback from Indigenous communities regarding the cultural significance of turtles, a turtle basking program is now being conducted to collect data on turtle presence and use of certain wetlands for overwintering. This will be added as a new section in the Terrestrial Field Work Plan.*

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

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

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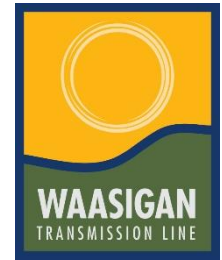
If there is any information regarding the locations or timing of the proposed surveys that you would like us to be aware of, please contact us using the contact details below. **Comments would be appreciated by May 11, 2022** so that they can be considered prior to the start of field work.

CONTACT INFORMATION

We encourage you to take this opportunity to ask questions and provide comments on the proposed field work. Golder is also looking for Indigenous field crew members. If you are interested in potential positions or have comments regarding the proposed field work, please contact Golder's Environmental Assessment Specialist, Heather Kyer, at 613-314-8473 or heather.kyer@wsp.com.

PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - BAT MATERNITY ROOST, BREEDING BIRDS, BOTANICAL SURVEYS, EASTERN WHIP-POOR-WILL, AND BARN AND BANK SWALLOW SURVEYS



MAY 19, 2022

This notice provides information on the planned start of the following field surveys:

- Bat maternity roost surveys;
- Breeding bird surveys (including marsh birds such as least bittern and species at risk such as common nighthawk and bobolink);
- Botanical surveys and ecological land classification (ELC);
- Eastern whip-poor-will surveys; and
- Barn and bank swallow.

Additional notices will be provided prior to the start of other terrestrial field surveys and for the start of the aquatics (e.g., fish and fish habitat) field program.

SURVEY INFORMATION

Golder Associates, a member of WSP, has been hired by Hydro One to carry out field surveys to support the environmental assessment. Golder Associates has also retained Giiwedini / Northwinds Environmental Services to support with the breeding bird surveys. Multiple crews will be required during the various surveys and each crew will generally consist of three individuals, including an Indigenous field crew member.

The table below provides information on each survey:



	BAT MATERNITY ROOST HABITAT	BREEDING BIRD SURVEYS	BOTANICAL AND ELC SURVEYS	EASTERN WHIP-POOR-WILL SURVEYS	BARN AND BANK SWALLOW
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To identify maternity roost habitat used by species at risk bats within the local study area. To monitor the level of bat activity in the local study area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To collect data on breeding birds present within the local study area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To identify plant species at risk, rare plant species, invasive plants, and traditional use plants within the local study area. The survey will classify vegetation communities according to Ecological Land Classification system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To identify breeding habitat that supports Eastern whip-poor-will (a species at risk bird). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To identify habitat and features that support nesting barn swallow or bank swallow (species at risk birds).
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will travel by truck to stations within suitable habitat. Field crews will undertake an assessment of the roosting habitat and install acoustic recording devices to monitor bat activities over a minimum 10-night period. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For breeding song birds, including common nighthawk and bobolinks, field crews will visit potential habitat and listen for calling birds. For marsh bird and least bittern surveys, field crews will visit stations within marsh wetland areas and play audio recordings of marsh birds to encourage them to call back and be detected. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will travel by truck to sites throughout the local study area. At each site crews will record all plant species observed including species at risk, rare species, invasive plants, and traditional use plants. Field crews will also classify vegetation communities according to Ecological Land Classification system. (e.g., coniferous forest, marsh, etc.). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires three rounds of surveys. Field crews will travel by truck to sites throughout the local study area. Surveyors will listen for the calls of this species and record the approximate location of any individuals heard. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will travel by truck to sites throughout the local study area. Field crews will complete a visual assessment of the potential habitat to determine if it is currently or recently been used for nesting.

<p>WHEN will the surveys happen?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys are to be completed in June. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For breeding song birds, including common nighthawk and bobolink, surveys will take place between June 1 to July 10 (beginning approximately 30 minutes before sunrise and will end no later than 10:00 a.m.). • For marsh birds, surveys will take place between May 20 to July 5, but are not planned to start earlier than beginning of June. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys will take place in June. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys will take place one week on either side of the full moon in June and early July to coincide with the appropriate lunar phases. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sites will be visited opportunistically during other field programs during the bird breeding season (June 1 to July 10).
<p>WHERE will the survey take place?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stations are distributed across suitable habitat. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stations will be distributed throughout the local study area to represent the occurrence and distribution of various ecosite types. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stations will be distributed throughout the local study area to represent the occurrence and distribution of various ecosite types. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stations will be distributed throughout the local study area within suitable breeding habitats, with focus on habitats with roadside access. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stations will be distributed throughout the local study area in suitable habitat (e.g., bridges for barn swallow and sandy banks for bank swallow).

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

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INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

Golder is still looking to hire Indigenous field crew members, and communities can also participate by sending community-hired field monitors. The table below provides a summary of the field crews planned to start in early and mid-June. The table describes the general area that each crew plans to cover and whether there is an Indigenous member present within each crew. There is capacity for additional community members within all crews, as noted in the table below.

Survey	Tentative Dates	Golder Crew	Need for Additional Indigenous Field Crew Members	Approximate Geographic Extent / Traditional Territory to be Covered
Botanical Survey and Ecological Land Classification	June 4-11	Two members (both non-Indigenous)	The Fort William First Nation member is available to join the crew towards the later half of the survey after another field program. We could accommodate up to two more Indigenous field crew members, or up to five while the Fort William member is with the crew (they will bring another truck with to accommodate the additional members).	Main focus on the section north of Atikokan and going to Dryden; however, botanical surveys may also be targeted on specific habitat for rare species throughout the local study area.
Amphibian Call Counts Round 2/Turtle Basking and Bat Maternity Roost Habitat	June 1-6	Two members, including one from Fort William First Nation	One member of Golder's crew is from Fort William First Nation. We could accommodate up to two more Indigenous field crew members.	Focus on the section around Thunder Bay and to Atikokan
Amphibian Call Counts Round 2/Turtle Basking and Bat Maternity Roost Habitat	June 4-6	Two members, including one from Lac des Mille Lacs First Nation	One member of Golder's crew is from Lac des Mille Lacs First Nation. We could accommodate up to two more Indigenous field crew members.	Focus on the section north of Atikokan and going to Dryden

Eastern Whip-poor-will Rounds 1 and 2 and Significant Wildlife Habitat. Opportunistic surveys (e.g., barn/bank swallow, gray fox dens)	June 11-16	Two members, including one from Lac des Mille Lacs First Nation	One member of Golder's crew is from Lac des Mille Lacs First Nation. We could accommodate up to two more Indigenous field crew members.	Focus on the section around Atikokan
Eastern Whip-poor-will Rounds 1 and 2 and Bat Hibernacula Visual Assessments. Opportunistic surveys (e.g., barn/bank swallow, gray fox dens)	June 14-21	Three members, including one from Fort William First Nation	One member of Golder's crew is from Fort William First Nation. We could accommodate up to one more Indigenous field crew member.	Focus on the section around Thunder Bay and part way to Atikokan
Eastern Whip-poor-will Rounds 1 and 2 and Bat Hibernacula Visual Assessments. Opportunistic surveys (e.g., barn/bank swallow, gray fox dens)	June 7-20	Two members (both non-Indigenous)	No Indigenous field crew members identified to date. We could accommodate up to two Indigenous field crew members.	Focus on the section north of Atikokan and going to Dryden

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.

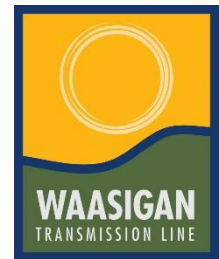
Another option for participation is a one-day site visit where members of your community can join a crew in the field to discuss the work being completed. If there is any interest in this approach, please let us know and we can work together to plan a visit.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - AQUATICS SURVEYS (SURFACE WATER, FISH AND FISH HABITAT) DRYDEN DISTRICT AND UPDATES TO BREEDING BIRD SURVEYS



JUNE 1, 2022

This notice provides information on the upcoming aquatics field surveys, including surface water, fish and fish habitat surveys, planned in the Dryden area (specifically within the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry [NDMNRF] Dryden District). Additional notices will be provided prior to the start of aquatics field surveys planned within the NDMNRF Districts of Fort Frances and Thunder Bay.

These surveys will require a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes from NDMNRF before work begins. NDMNRF will be providing additional notification letters to Indigenous communities before issuing these permits.

This notice also provides updates to timing and additional field crews for the planned breeding bird surveys described in the previous Project Notice dated May 19, 2022.

Why is a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes required?

Studies or work that involve collecting or moving fish require a licence from NDMNRF. In this case, we are conducting baseline fish studies to support the environmental assessment. Fish captured are used for data collection only (e.g., species identification, weight and measurement) and will be released.

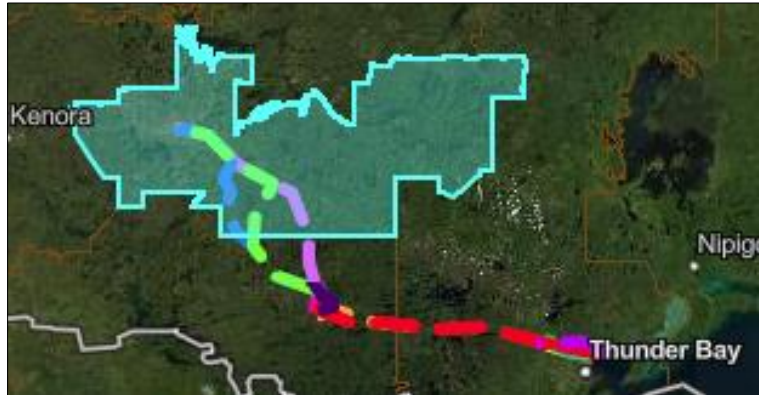
SURVEY INFORMATION

The table below provides information on the surface water, fish and fish habitat surveys:

	SURFACE WATER, FISH AND FISH HABITAT
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To characterize existing watercourses and water bodies including fish habitat and fish communities.
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will visit watercourses and waterbodies potentially crossed by the Project to complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fish Habitat Assessments (e.g., habitat type, identify special features, etc.); Fish Community Surveys (i.e., backpack electrofishing); and Surface Water Assessments (e.g., stream flow measurements, topographic information, and water quality measurements).
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveys will take place between June 16 and September 30, 2022. The start of the field surveys is dependent on receiving the Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes from the NDMNRF. This notice includes surveys planned between June 16 and 28 within the NDMNRF Dryden District.

WHERE will the survey take place?

- Surveys will take place at watercourses and waterbodies of various sizes and types potentially crossed by the Project with a focus on sites that do not have existing baseline information, as requested by the NDMNRF.
- This notice includes surveys planned within the NDMNRF Dryden District (refer to map below).



PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

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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 June 10, 2022** so that they can be considered prior to the start of field work.

INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

Golder is still looking to hire Indigenous field crew members, and communities can also participate by sending community-hired field monitors. The tables below describe the general area that each crew plans to cover. There is currently capacity for additional community members within all crews.

The table below provides a summary of the first aquatics field crews to start in June. Details for additional and subsequent terrestrial and aquatics field crews will be shared in later field work notices.

Survey	Tentative Dates	Crew	Need for Additional Indigenous Field Crew Members	Approximate Geographic Extent / Traditional Territory to be Covered
Surface Water, Fish Habitat and Fish Community Surveys	June 16-28	Three Golder crews including two crew members each (non-Indigenous)	Two Indigenous field crew member positions available.	Focus on the section around Dryden

Golder has retained Giiwedin / NorthWinds Environmental Services to support with the breeding bird surveys, as summarized in the table below. Additional field crews will support the breeding bird surveys that are described in detail in the previous Project Notice, dated May 19, 2022. Please note that the breeding bird surveys are weather-dependent and the exact dates could vary based on current weather conditions.

Survey	Tentative Dates	Crew	Need for Additional Indigenous Field Crew Members	Approximate Geographic Extent / Traditional Territory to be Covered
Breeding Birds	June 10-15	Two Giiwedin / NorthWinds crew members (both non-Indigenous).	Four Indigenous field crew member positions available.	Focus on the section around Atikokan and Ignace
Breeding Birds	June 17-23	Two Giiwedin / NorthWinds crew members (both non-Indigenous).	Four Indigenous field crew member positions available.	Focus on the section around Dryden
Breeding Birds	July 6-10	One to two Giiwedin / NorthWinds crew members (both non-Indigenous).	Three Indigenous field crew member positions available.	Focus on the section around Thunder Bay

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- 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.

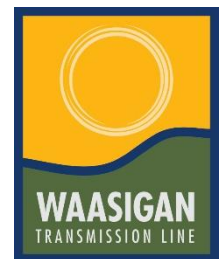
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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - AQUATICS SURVEYS (SURFACE WATER, FISH AND FISH HABITAT) THUNDER BAY DISTRICT



JUNE 7, 2022

This notice provides information on the upcoming aquatics field surveys, including surface water, fish and fish habitat surveys, planned in the Thunder Bay area (specifically within the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry [NDMNRF] Thunder Bay District). An additional notice will be provided prior to the start of aquatics field surveys planned within the NDMNRF District of Fort Frances.

These surveys will require a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes from NDMNRF before work begins. NDMNRF will be providing additional notification letters to Indigenous communities before issuing these permits.

Why is a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes required?

Studies or work that involve collecting or moving fish require a licence from NDMNRF. In this case, we are conducting baseline fish studies to support the environmental assessment. Fish captured are used for data collection only (e.g., species identification, weight and measurement) and will be released.

SURVEY INFORMATION

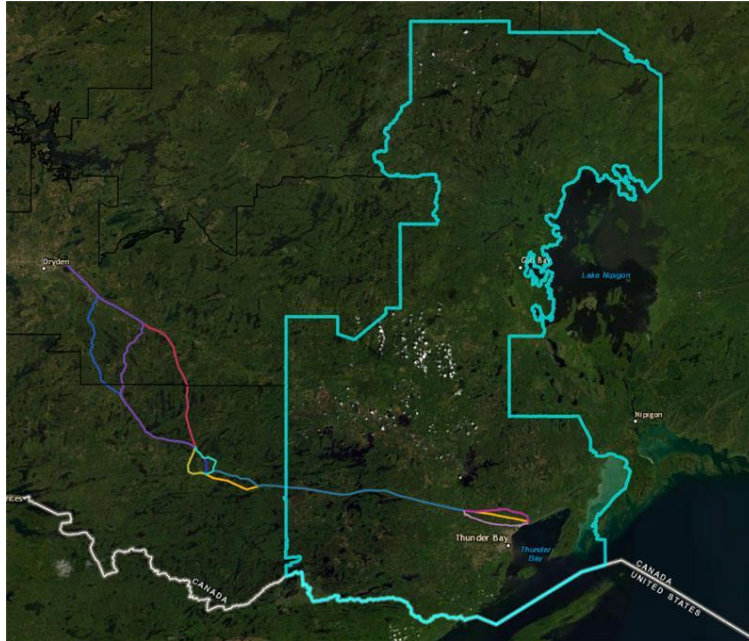
The table below provides information on the surface water, fish and fish habitat surveys:

	SURFACE WATER, FISH AND FISH HABITAT
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To characterize existing watercourses and water bodies including fish habitat and fish communities.
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will visit watercourses and waterbodies potentially crossed by the Project to complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fish Habitat Assessments (e.g., habitat type, identify special features, etc.); Fish Community Surveys (i.e., backpack electrofishing); and Surface Water Assessments (e.g., stream flow measurements, topographic information, and water quality measurements).
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveys will take place throughout the Project area between June 16 and September 30, 2022. The start of the field surveys is dependent on receiving the Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes from the NDMNRF. This notice includes surveys planned between July 2 and 31 within the NDMNRF Thunder Bay District.

SURFACE WATER, FISH AND FISH HABITAT

WHERE will the survey take place?

- Surveys will take place at watercourses and waterbodies of various sizes and types potentially crossed by the Project with a focus on sites that do not have existing baseline information, as requested by the NDMNRF.
- This notice includes survey locations planned within the NDMNRF Thunder Bay District (refer to map below).



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INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

Golder is looking to hire additional Indigenous field crew members, and communities can also participate by sending community-hired field monitors. The table below provides a summary of the aquatics field crews within the NDMNRF Thunder Bay Districts in July. There is currently capacity for additional community members within all crews.

Details for additional and subsequent terrestrial and aquatics field crews will be shared in later field work notices.

Survey	Tentative Dates	Crew	Need for Additional Indigenous Field Crew Members	Approximate Geographic Extent / Traditional Territory to be Covered
Surface Water, Fish Habitat and Fish Community Surveys	July 2-31	Seven Golder crews; including two crew members each (non-Indigenous)	Two Indigenous field crew member positions available per crew.	Focus on the NDMNRF Thunder Bay District

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.

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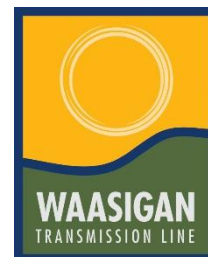
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - AQUATICS SURVEYS (SURFACE WATER, FISH AND FISH HABITAT) FORT FRANCES DISTRICT



JUNE 10, 2022

This notice provides information on the upcoming aquatics field surveys, including surface water, fish and fish habitat surveys, planned in the Atikokan area (specifically within the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry [NDMNRF] Fort Frances District).

These surveys will require a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes from NDMNRF before work begins. NDMNRF will be providing additional notification letters to Indigenous communities before issuing these permits.

Why is a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes required?

Studies or work that involve collecting or moving fish require a licence from NDMNRF. In this case, we are conducting baseline fish studies to support the environmental assessment. Fish captured are used for data collection only (e.g., species identification, weight and measurement) and will be released.

SURVEY INFORMATION

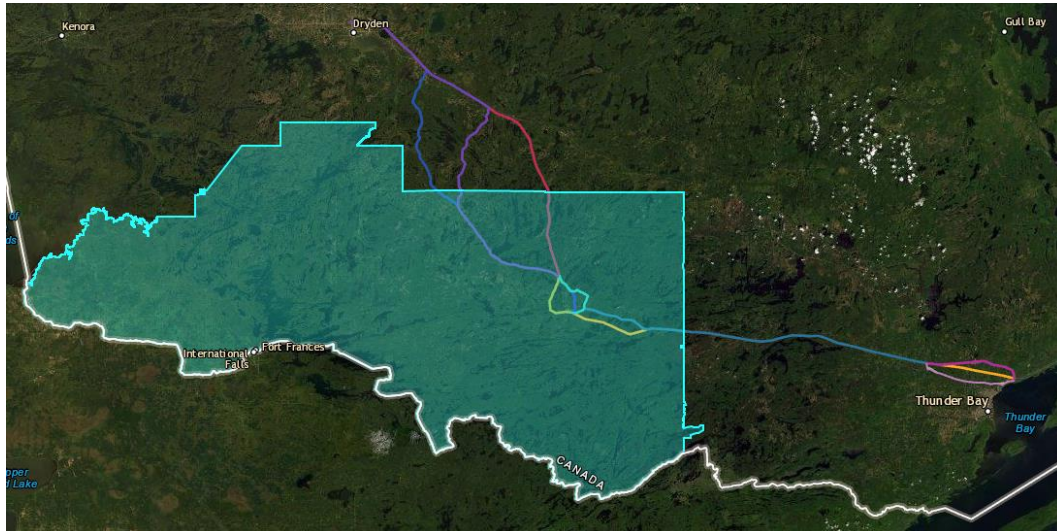
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WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To characterize existing watercourses and water bodies including fish habitat and fish communities.
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will visit watercourses and waterbodies potentially crossed by the Project to complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fish Habitat Assessments (e.g., habitat type, identify special features, etc.); Fish Community Surveys (i.e., backpack electrofishing); and Surface Water Assessments (e.g., stream flow measurements, topographic information, and water quality measurements).
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveys will take place throughout the Project area between July 2 and September 30, 2022. The start of the field surveys is dependent on receiving the Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes from the NDMNRF.

SURFACE WATER, FISH AND FISH HABITAT

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- Surveys will take place at watercourses and waterbodies of various sizes and types potentially crossed by the Project with a focus on sites that do not have existing baseline information, as requested by the NDMNRF.
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PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

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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 June 22, 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.

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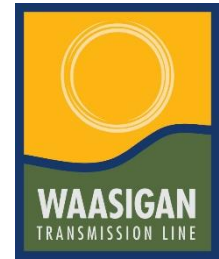
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - GRAY FOX SURVEYS



JUNE 10, 2022

This notice provides information on the planned start of the gray fox surveys. This survey was added to the planned field program based on feedback from the Indigenous communities requesting additional survey effort on mammals and from feedback from the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Additional notices will be provided prior to the start of other terrestrial field surveys.

SURVEY INFORMATION

The table below provides information on the gray fox surveys:

	GRAY FOX SURVEYS
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To determine presence and distribution of gray fox in the study area and characterize baseline conditions for the environmental assessment.
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will set up survey stations within the study area that will consist of a trail camera and scent lure to attract gray fox. Stations will be revisited every 3-4 weeks to check on the cameras and re-apply scent lure attractant.
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stations will be set up in late June through September which will cover a portion of the denning and dispersal period following independence of gray fox young.
WHERE will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To determine survey locations, gaps in the distribution of gray fox occurrence records were identified and stations were plotted, spaced every 5-10 km, in the study area along Alternative Routes 1, 1A, 1B-1, 1B-2, 1C, 2A, 2B, and 2C. Station locations were then manually screened to identify land where access permission is allowed and to avoid putting scent lure stations that have the potential to attract predators near residences, cabins, campgrounds, etc.

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

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FOR FIELD SURVEY LOCATIONS**

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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 June 22, 2022** so that they can be considered prior to the start of field work.

INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

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

- Property damage and public liability insurance coverage; and
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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.

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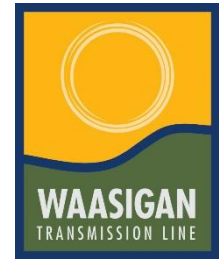
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - SIGNIFICANT WILDLIFE HABITAT SURVEYS



JULY 15, 2022

This notice provides information on the planned start of the significant wildlife habitat surveys.

SURVEY INFORMATION

The table below provides information on the significant wildlife habitat surveys:

SIGNIFICANT WILDLIFE HABITAT SURVEYS	
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To confirm the presence of candidate significant wildlife habitat (SWH) habitat (i.e., suitable habitat that may be used by species of conservation concern or where rare vegetation communities, seasonal concentration areas, animal movement corridors and specialized wildlife habitats are more likely to occur).
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The field survey methods will involve a visual assessment of a subset of the mapped candidate SWH. During the visual assessment, field crews will also document any other potential SWH features (e.g., stick nests, seeps/springs, mineral licks) within habitats being investigated.
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveys will occur in August.
WHERE will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stations will be distributed throughout the local study area to represent the occurrence and distribution of various ecosite types (see links below).

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

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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.

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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 July 29, 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:**

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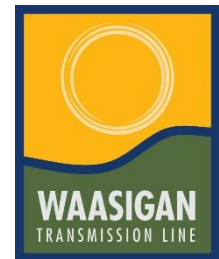
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - CULTURAL HERITAGE ASSESSMENT



AUGUST 17, 2022

This notice provides information on the proposed surveys to support the Cultural Heritage Assessment and proposed road/highway survey locations.

For more information, including how your community can be involved, please refer to the attached Cultural Heritage Assessment overview document.

SURVEY INFORMATION

The table below provides information on the cultural heritage surveys:

	CULTURAL HERITAGE SURVEYS
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To identify and evaluate any known or potential built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes in the study area.
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following a desktop assessment, field crews will visually assess and document existing site conditions and identify additional potential built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes. Photographs will be taken from the road/highway to document the sites.
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field visits to the road/highway survey locations will be completed in September.
WHERE will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field visits will be conducted of sites that can be viewed from publicly accessible roads and highways that intersect the alternative routes.

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

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

We welcome any feedback on the proposed survey locations, including any concerns you may have with our crew visiting and documenting these 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.

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INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

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

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

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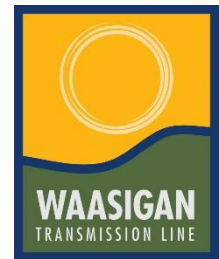
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Waasigan Transmission Line Project Cultural Heritage Assessment - Overview



WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

CULTURAL HERITAGE ASSESSMENT – OVERVIEW



A Cultural Heritage Assessment is required to be completed as part of the environmental assessment for Waasigan which will assess how the Project may affect built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes. This type of assessment is defined by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport and does not replace Indigenous Knowledge incorporation into the environmental assessment. The Cultural Heritage Assessment will support the alternative route evaluation by determining if some routes avoid potential for effects to cultural heritage more than others. Similarly, Indigenous Knowledge and values will also be considered in the alternative route evaluation. We understand that Indigenous communities have heritage values they may want to see represented in this assessment and we want to work collaboratively with communities to ensure these important values are protected.

WHAT IS A CULTURAL HERITAGE ASSESSMENT?

A Cultural Heritage Assessment, as set out by the Ministry, is a study of built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes.

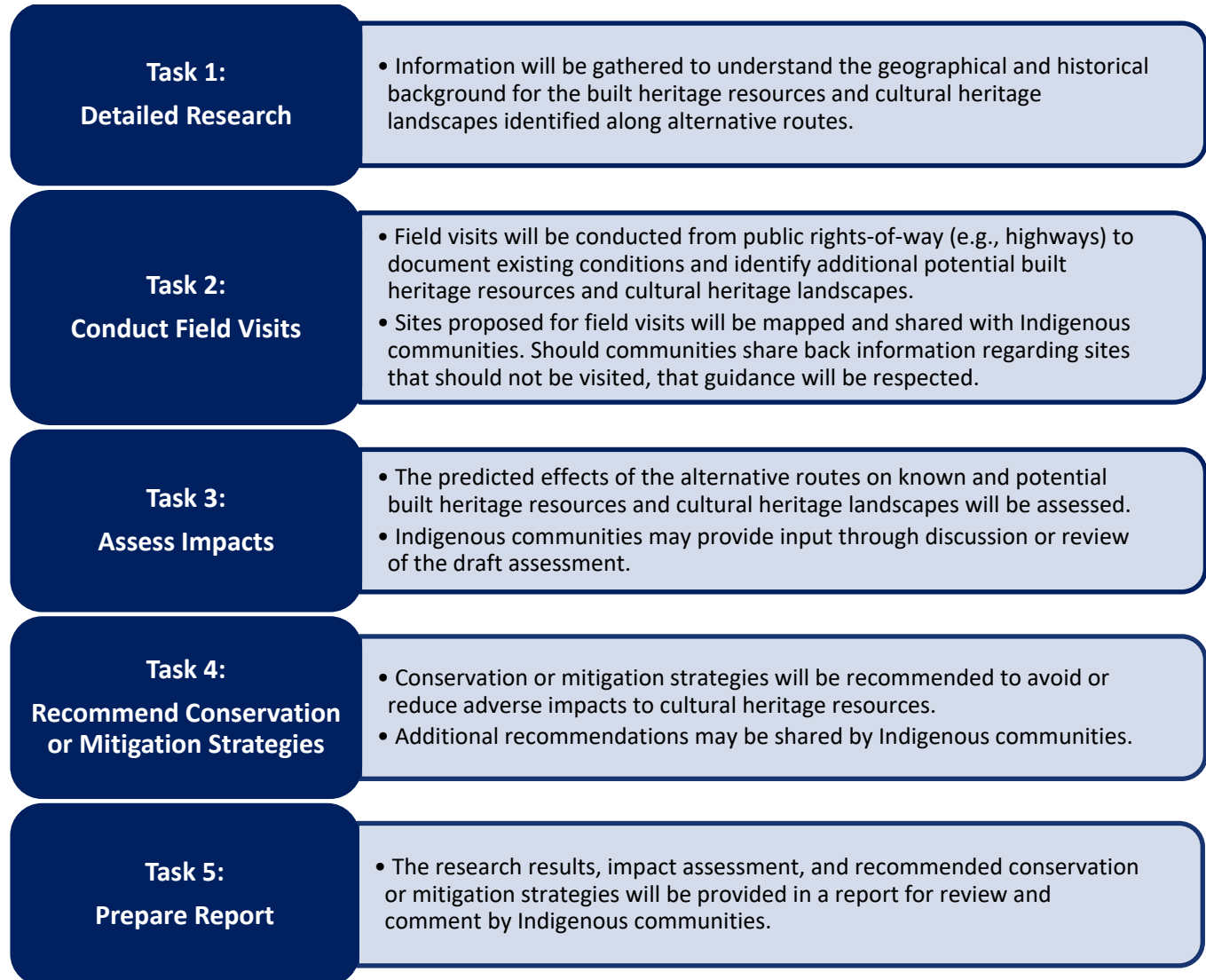
Built Heritage Resource: A building, structure, monument, installation or any manufactured or constructed part or remnant that contributes to a property's cultural heritage value or interest as identified by a community, including an Indigenous community. Built heritage resources are located on property that may be designated under Parts IV or V of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, or that may be included on local, provincial, federal and/or international registers.

Cultural Heritage Landscape: A defined geographical area that may have been modified by human activity and is identified as having cultural heritage value or interest by a community, including an Indigenous community. The area may include features such as buildings, structures, spaces, views, archaeological sites or natural elements that are valued together for their interrelationship, meaning or association. Cultural heritage landscapes may be properties that have been determined to have cultural heritage value or interest under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, or have been included in federal and/or international registers, and/or protected through official plan, zoning by-law, or other land use planning mechanisms.

The purpose of the study is to identify and evaluate any known or potential built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes and assess the impacts that may result from development. The assessment includes conservation and mitigation strategies to avoid or reduce potential effects to cultural heritage resources.

WHAT DOES IT INVOLVE?

The scope of the Cultural Heritage Assessment will include the following tasks.



The Cultural Heritage Assessment will follow guidance outlined in Hydro One's *Cultural Heritage Identification and Evaluation (I&E) Process (2020)* with additional reference to the Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport *Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Provincial Heritage Properties (2010)* and *Information Bulletin 3: Heritage Impact Assessments for Provincial Heritage Properties*.

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE?

Indigenous Knowledge (IK) represents a significant input to understanding places or features of cultural heritage value. Hydro One is encouraging and providing support to Indigenous communities for the completion of IK studies to support the environmental assessment. These IK studies that are currently being completed can feed into the Cultural Heritage Assessment, based on what each community chooses to share and availability of information at the time of the assessment. No additional studies are required to support this assessment.

One of the outcomes of the IK studies will likely be the identification of areas of significant cultural value to each community that could potentially be affected by the Project. The environmental assessment will recognize that Indigenous peoples have the right to practice and revitalize their cultural traditions and customs, which includes the right to maintain, protect and develop their cultural heritage.

WHERE WILL THE SURVEYS BE COMPLETED?

Field visits will be conducted from publicly accessible points where the road/highway intersects the alternative routes. Photos will be taken from the road/highway. If Indigenous cultural heritage sites are provided by communities, these will not be visited unless specifically requested by the community (i.e., the community has already confirmed their presence so they do not need to be documented in the field). The proposed road/highway survey locations can be viewed online (see links in Project Notice).

WHEN WILL THE ASSESSMENT BE COMPLETED?

We are beginning the research component of the Cultural Heritage Assessment now and are requesting input from Indigenous communities on the proposed road/highway survey locations by **September 5, 2022**. Our field work schedule will be updated to include planned site visits as part of this work to allow time to coordinate visits with community members.

As IK studies are completed and provided to Hydro One, they will be incorporated into the Cultural Heritage Assessment. An opportunity to review a draft of the assessment will be provided in October 2022 allowing for additional input.

HOW CAN MY COMMUNITY BE INVOLVED?

We want to work collaboratively with communities to understand how IK can be best reflected in the Cultural Heritage Assessment. In addition to the IK studies being completed by each community, your community can get involved in the Cultural Heritage Assessment by:

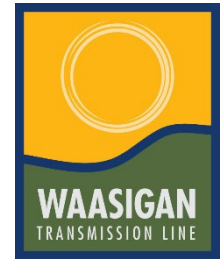
- Meeting with Hydro One and WSP Golder to discuss the scope of the assessment and understand how it fits into the environmental assessment and how IK can be incorporated;
- Sharing knowledge including site-specific information regarding built structures or landscapes of cultural value (either as part of the IK studies or separately);
- Reviewing the road/highway sites proposed for field visits to identify any sensitivities or areas of concern;
- Participating in field visits with the field teams; and
- Reviewing a draft of the assessment report.

Any information provided by Indigenous communities will be handled as directed by the community and in accordance with information sharing agreements. Details regarding features and specific locations can be excluded from the final report or reported separately, in a confidential supplementary documentation, for internal purposes only.

We look forward to the opportunity to meet and discuss how communities can provide input on this assessment.

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?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field crews will visit viewpoints within the study area for observation and to collect photographs.
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surveys will be completed in October.
WHERE will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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

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INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

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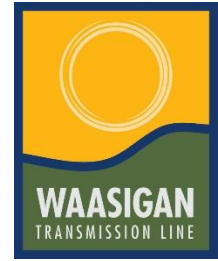
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - UPCOMING STAGE 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT



APRIL 21, 2023

This notice provides information on the upcoming Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment for the Waasigan Transmission Line Project, including information on training and participation opportunities, and anticipated timelines. Additional notices will be provided as work progresses and prior to the start of field work.

Hydro One has retained Woodland Heritage Northwest as an archaeological advisor to support with Indigenous engagement and participation on the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment. With the support of Woodland Heritage Northwest, Hydro One is now looking to bring on an archaeologist to complete the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment.

UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

An archaeology field technician training program is being offered this spring. Woodland Heritage Northwest is currently looking for community members interested in completing the training. Information on this unique training opportunity is provided in the table below:

Woodland Heritage Northwest will be working closely with Indigenous communities to ensure interests are reflected in the upcoming archaeological work. Their role includes:

- Engaging with Indigenous communities to incorporate community feedback, protocols and perspectives into the assessment scope.
- Developing and delivering training opportunities for Indigenous community members to get involved in the field work.
- Facilitating Indigenous community participation in the archaeological assessment.
- Providing support during the archaeological assessment to ensure that the work is completed in a manner consistent with what is outlined in the archaeologist's contract.

TRAINING PROGRAM: ARCHAEOLOGY FIELD TECHNICIAN	
TRAINING OVERVIEW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The training is program is being offered at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay from May 15-18, 2023. Training will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2-day classroom course on the basics of archaeological techniques; and ○ 2-day field training (weather permitting) in the methodology of archaeological investigations. • Upon completion, a certificate will be provided from the Ontario Archaeological Society. • Participants will be eligible to apply for employment on the upcoming archeological work on the Waasigan Transmission Line Project between Thunder Bay, Atikokan and Dryden. • No experience is required; however, an interest in cultural heritage, the outdoors and archaeology is beneficial. • Expenses, including travel, meals, and accommodations, will be paid for.
CONTACT INFORMATION	<p>Interested participants or anyone looking for more information can contact Dave Norris of Woodland Heritage Northwest directly:</p> <p>dave.norris@woodlandheritage.com (807) 632-9893</p> <p>The deadline to enroll in training is May 8, 2023.</p>

INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

Participation in the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment can be in the form of **Field Technicians** who will be hired directly by the Consultant(s) or as **Monitors** from the communities who will act independently to ensure community protocols are being followed.

To ensure community-hired 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 this field work.

Field Technicians hired directly by the archaeologist will be covered under their WSIB and liability insurance.

Another option for participation is a one-day site visit where members of your community can join a crew in the field to observe and 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.

NEXT STEPS

Hydro One, with the support of Woodland Heritage Northwest, will be hiring an archaeologist in the coming weeks to proceed with the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment. The table below provides the anticipated timeline for upcoming activities:

DATE	ACTIVITY
April 2023	Request for Proposal will be issued to Consultants
May 2023	Proposal review and contract award to successful Consultant(s)
	Archaeological Field Technician Training Program
May-June 2023	Indigenous Field Technician Hiring Process
	Additional engagement with Indigenous Communities prior to starting work
June through Fall 2023	Completion of Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment Field Work

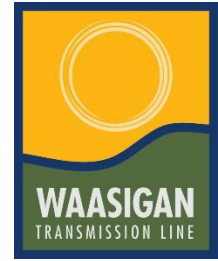
CONTACT INFORMATION

We encourage you reach out if you have any questions or would like to discuss components of the archaeological assessment further.

NAME	ROLE	PHONE	EMAIL
Dave Norris	Archaeology Advisor, Woodland Heritage Northwest	(807) 632-9893	dave.norris@woodlandheritage.com
Stephanie Ash	Indigenous Relations Manager, Hydro One	(807) 472-5276	stephanie@firedogpr.com

PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - STAGE 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT



JUNE 28, 2023

This notice provides an update on the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment for the Waasigan Transmission Line Project. Additional details will be provided as work progresses and prior to the start of field work, including information on timing and areas being surveyed.

As previously shared, Hydro One has retained **Woodland Heritage Northwest** as an archaeological advisor on the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment. Woodland Heritage Northwest will continue to work closely with Indigenous communities to ensure interests are reflected in the upcoming archaeological work, including incorporation of community feedback, protocols and perspectives into the assessment scope, supporting participation opportunities, and ensuring that the archaeologists complete work in a manner consistent with what is outlined in their contract.

CONSULTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

A portion of the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment area, focusing on Phase 1 between Shuniah and Atikokan, has been awarded to **WSP**. Hydro One is continuing to engage additional consultants to support completion of the archaeological assessment on Phase 1, as well as Phase 2 between Atikokan and Dryden. Notification will be provided when additional contracts have been awarded.

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT

An archaeology field technician training program was recently facilitated by Woodland Heritage Northwest. The Hydro One project team would like to thank communities for their support in making the training program a success! Participants who completed the program received a certificate from the Ontario Archaeological Society and will be eligible to apply for employment on the upcoming archaeological work.

The archaeological consultants will be contacting participants of the field technician training program for upcoming employment opportunities on the project.

INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

Participation in the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment can be in the form of **Field Technicians** who will be hired directly by the consultant(s) or as **Monitors** from the communities who will act independently to ensure community protocols are being followed.

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

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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 this field work.

Field Technicians hired directly by the archaeologist will be covered under their WSIB and liability insurance.

Another option for participation is site visits where members of your community can join a crew in the field to observe and 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.

NEXT STEPS

The project team will be working closely with the archaeological consultants to plan the upcoming field work for the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, including engaging with Indigenous communities prior to the start of field activities. Additional updates will be shared as more information becomes available on timing of areas being assessed.

A notification process is also being developed to share regular updates during the field season as work is completed. Consultants are required to follow community protocols while conducting work. If your community has any protocols or expectations that have not yet been shared with Hydro One, please let us know so we can ensure requirements are shared with the archaeological consultants in a timely manner and followed accordingly.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - CULTURAL HERITAGE EVALUATION



JULY 4, 2023

This notice provides information on the proposed surveys to support the Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report for the Dawson Trail between Thunder Bay and Atikokan.

SURVEY INFORMATION

The table below provides information on the cultural heritage surveys:

	CULTURAL HERITAGE SURVEYS
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The purpose of the field review is to locate and photograph the Dawson Trail, a Federally designated cultural heritage landscape.
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following a desktop assessment, a Cultural Heritage Specialist will visually assess and document existing site conditions relating to the Dawson Trail. Photographs will be taken from the public road/highway right-of-way to document the cultural heritage landscape. Only the sections of the trail that at cross or are within 100 m of the Project footprint will be documented.
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The field review is scheduled to begin in Thunder Bay on Wednesday July 19th and end on Friday July 21st, 2023, in Atikokan.
WHERE will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field visits will be conducted of areas that can be viewed from publicly accessible roads and highways that intersect the Project footprint between Thunder Bay and Atikokan.

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

The proposed road/highway survey locations can be viewed online using a Webviewer at the link below. Maps of the survey locations are also available for download at the link below.

We welcome any feedback on the proposed survey locations, including any concerns you may have with our crew visiting and documenting these locations. Comments can be made in the field map book and sent back to us via email.

**CLICK HERE TO VISIT THE WEBVIEWER
FOR FIELD SURVEY LOCATIONS**

**CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE FIELD
MAP**

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 July 11, 2023** so that they can be considered prior to the start of field work.

INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

WSP is looking for community-hired Indigenous field monitors to join the field 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.

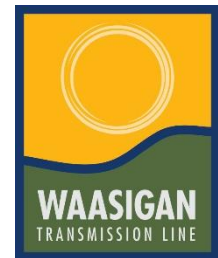
Another option for participation are site visits where members of your community can join a crew in the field to discuss the work being completed. If there is any interest in this approach, please let us know and we can work together to plan a visit.

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 WSP's Environmental Assessment Specialist, Heather Kyer, at 613-314-8473 or heather.kyer@wsp.com.

PROJECT NOTICE

WAASIGAN TRANSMISSION LINE - STAGE 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT



JULY 14, 2023

This notice provides information on the first portion of proposed fieldwork for the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment planned for Phase 1, between the Municipality of Shuniah and Town of Atikokan. Subsequent notices will be provided for additional areas to be surveyed in 2023 once fieldwork planning for those areas has progressed.

SURVEY INFORMATION

The table below provides information on the first portion of the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment:

STAGE 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT SURVEYS	
WHY are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The purpose of the surveys is to evaluate areas within the Project footprint identified in the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment as having archaeological potential to determine if additional assessment/mitigation is warranted (i.e., Stage 3 and 4 Archaeological Assessments).
WHAT activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual and shovel test pit surveys. Shovel test pit survey involves hand digging shovel test pits every 5 m and screening the soil through 6 mm mesh to identify archaeological resources that may be present.
WHEN will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment field work for 2023 is scheduled to begin on Monday, July 24, 2023.
WHERE will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment surveys will be conducted in areas of the Project footprint that have been identified as having potential for archaeological resources.

PROPOSED SURVEY LOCATIONS

The proposed Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment survey locations for this initial portion of work can be viewed online using a Webviewer at the link below. Maps of the survey locations are also available for download at the link below.

We welcome any feedback on the proposed survey locations, including any concerns you may have with our crew visiting and documenting these locations. Comments can be made in the field map book and sent back to us via email.

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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 July 21, 2023** so that they can be considered prior to the start of field work.

INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION

WSP is looking to hire additional **Field Technicians**, and communities can also participate by sending community-hired **Monitors** who will act independently to ensure community protocols are being followed. To ensure community-hired 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. Field Technicians hired directly by the archaeologist will be covered under their WSIB and liability insurance.

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 reach out to ask questions and learn more about the planned archaeology assessment. If you are interested in participation opportunities, have comments on the proposed survey locations, or would like to share community protocols, please contact any of the Project team members listed below.

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