



COMMUNITY NOTICE Mosquito Creek Tower Relocation Project

Dear Resident, August 16, 2021

This letter is to inform you that Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) is initiating a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Mosquito Creek Tower Relocation Project, to support the construction of the Ottawa Light Rail Transit (LRT). The project area is located in the City of Ottawa, as shown on the attached map.

Project Description

To accommodate the City of Ottawa's approved Light Rail Project, Hydro One is required to relocate one steel lattice tower, labelled as #253 on the reverse map, approximately 25 feet closer to tower labelled #252. This will ensure the safe passage of the future LRT underneath the transmission line (wires) between these two structures upon its completion.

Class Environmental Assessment Process

This project is subject to the Class EA for Minor Transmission Facilities (Class EA for MTF) in accordance with the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. The Class EA for MTF is a streamlined process for planning transmission projects that have a predictable range of environmental effects and feasible mitigation measures that can be applied (www.hydroone.com/ClassEA).

Within the Class EA for MTF there are two tiers of assessment (levels) designed to commensurate with the project scale and associated potential for environmental effects. These include: i) Screening Process, and ii) Full Class EA Process. The Screening Process is a further streamlined process for smaller scale projects with minimal environmental effects (confirmed upon satisfying 16 screening criteria). This project is similar to examples provided within the Class EA document where the Screening Process would typically apply. As such, contingent upon consultation activities and satisfaction of the applicable criteria, it is anticipated that this project will follow the Screening Process. Once the Class EA process is successfully completed, construction could commence as early as October 2021 and be completed by end of December 2021, in order to align with the Ottawa LRT construction timelines.

We welcome your comments and feedback regarding this project. Should there be any update to the project information provided, I will ensure that you are promptly informed. Your input on this project is valued and would be appreciated by September 14, 2021.

If you have any questions, or would like additional information regarding this project, please feel free to contact:

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Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

All personal information included in your request – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, under the authority of section 30 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. As this information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA) does not apply (s.37). Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

