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# Class Environmental Assessment Leaside to Main Infrastructure Refurbishment Project

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) is initiating a Class Environmental Assessment to refurbish existing transmission infrastructure in the eastern part of downtown Toronto. This work is critical to ensure an adequate and reliable supply of electricity to the area, and to minimize the risk for future power interruptions.

Hydro One has identified two sections of underground 115 kilovolt (kV) transmission cable which are nearing their end-of-life and require replacement. These sections of underground cable, shown on the attached map, are located between:

- Leaside Transformer Station (TS) and Todmorden Junction (JCT)
- 2. Lumsden JCT and Main TS

LEASIDE TS

TODMORDEN JCT

Station or Junction

Existing Overhead Skywire

Existing Underground Cables (115 kV)

Proposed Alternate Cable Route

Reads

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Class EA Study Area

120,500

Hydro One will also be replacing and upgrading approximately 5 km of the overhead wire (skywire), which serves to protect the transmission line from lightning, between Todmorden JCT and Lumsden JCT.

### **Project Approval Requirements**

This project is subject to the provincial *Environmental*Assessment Act and is being planned in accordance with the
Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities
(Class EA). Subject to the outcome of the Class EA, construction could begin by the end of 2016.

The Class EA process provides opportunities for public and stakeholder consultation, and your feedback is very important to us. Members of the public, businesses, stakeholder groups, First Nations and Métis communities, government agencies and other interested parties are encouraged to participate in this process. We invite you to attend one of our upcoming Public Information Centres. At the Public Information Centres, Hydro One will provide more information about the project, discuss an alternative route for replacing the cable section between Leaside TS and Todmorden JCT, present environmental considerations and explain the approvals process. We encourage you to drop into one of the sessions to provide your input and discuss any issues or concerns.

## **PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRES**

Please join us on one of the following dates:

February 8, 2016 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Stan Wadlow Community Centre 373 Cedarvale Avenue, Toronto

February 10, 2016 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Leaside Arena, William Lea Room 1073 Millwood Road, Toronto

A second round of Public Information Centres will be held later in the year to present more detailed study information.

### **For More Information**

If you would like more information about the project or wish to be added to the project contact list to receive project updates, please contact:

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