

NOTICE OF A HEARING

Hydro One Networks Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to expropriate interests in certain lands between the municipality of Shuniah and the town of Atikokan in Ontario

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) is asking the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for permission to expropriate interests in certain lands between the Municipality of Shuniah and the Town of Atikokan in Ontario, to construct and operate a new 230 kilovolt double-circuit transmission line between Lakehead Transformer Station (TS) and Mackenzie TS (Project).

The Project comprises two phases. Phase 1 consists of constructing a new 230 kilovolt (kV) double-circuit transmission line that spans approximately 190 km to connect the existing Lakehead TS with the existing Mackenzie TS. Phase 2 consists of constructing a new 230 kV single-circuit transmission line spanning approximately 170 km from the existing Mackenzie TS to the existing Dryden TS. The anticipated in-service date for Phase 1 is December 2025, while Phase 2 is expected to be in-service by December 2027.

Under a separate Decision and Order dated April 16, 2024, the Ontario Energy Board granted Hydro One leave to construct and operate the Project.

Phase 1 of the Project will require Hydro One to acquire land rights from approximately 136 directly impacted property owners. Hydro One is not requesting permission to expropriate interests in lands related to Phase 2 at this time.

Hydro One has identified you as someone who owns or has an interest in part of the lands that Hydro One is seeking permission to expropriate for Phase 1 of the Project. A copy of the property description and survey maps showing the lands that Hydro One is asking to expropriate are attached to this Notice.

Hydro One's application is about the expropriation of certain specific lands only. It is not about compensation. The OEB will consider the public interest when making any order authorizing Hydro One to expropriate land. The OEB does not have the authority to determine the amount of compensation payable. If the OEB authorizes Hydro One to expropriate and the parties do not agree upon compensation, then the compensation must be determined under the *Expropriations Act* or by the Ontario Land Tribunal.

YOU SHOULD KNOW

There are three types of OEB hearings: oral, electronic and written. If you have a preference for the type of hearing, you can write to us to explain why.

During this hearing, we will hear questions and arguments from participants about this case. We will also hear questions and arguments from participants that have registered as Intervenorors. After the hearing, we will decide whether to approve the application.

HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information about this application and to participate in the process.

Visit www.oeb.ca/notice and use file number **EB-2024-0319** to:

- Review the application
- Apply to become an intervenor
- File a letter with your comments

IMPORTANT DATES

You must engage with the OEB on or before **January 9, 2025** to:

- Provide input on the hearing type (oral, electronic or written)
- Apply to be an intervenor

If you do not, the hearing will move forward without you, and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. If you are a business or if you apply to become an intervenor, all the information you file will be on the OEB website.

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