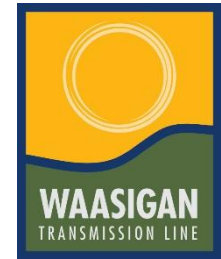


# PROJECT NOTICE

## 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	
<b>WHY</b> are we doing the surveys?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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).</li> </ul>
<b>WHAT</b> activities are involved?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>
<b>WHEN</b> will the surveys happen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surveys will occur in August.</li> </ul>
<b>WHERE</b> will the survey take place?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stations will be distributed throughout the local study area to represent the occurrence and distribution of various ecosite types (see links below).</li> </ul>

### 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 FOR FIELD SURVEY LOCATIONS](#)

[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 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:**

- 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](mailto:heather.kyer@wsp.com).