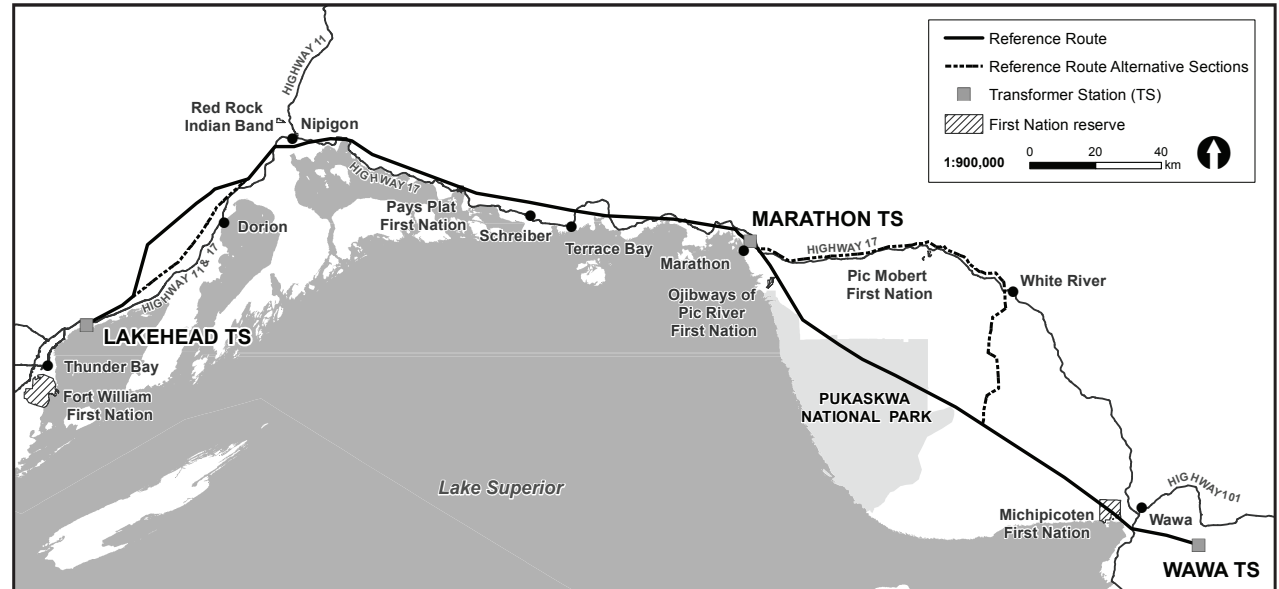


NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF TERMS OF REFERENCE Lake Superior Link Project – Hydro One Networks Inc.

As part of the planning process for the Lake Superior Link Project Environmental Assessment (EA), a Terms of Reference (ToR) was submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) for review as required under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. If approved, the ToR will serve as a framework for the preparation and review of the EA for the proposed undertaking.

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) proposes to construct a new approximately 400 km, double-circuit 230 kilovolt transmission line between Lakehead Transformer Station (TS) near Thunder Bay and Wawa TS near Wawa. As shown on the map, the reference route generally parallels Hydro One's existing East-West Tie transmission corridor with the exception of a new section of corridor creating a bypass near Dorion and a section through Pukaskwa National Park where existing infrastructure would be modified. Preliminary alternative route sections have been identified around Pukaskwa National Park and along the existing transmission corridor through the Township of Dorion. The targeted in-service date is the end of 2021.



Project Purpose

The Independent Electricity System Operator's (IESO) *Updated Assessment of the Need for the East-West Tie Expansion, 2017* states that a new transmission line "...continues to be the recommended alternative to maintaining a reliable and cost-effective supply of electricity in Northwestern Ontario for the long term."

The Planning Process

The preparation of a ToR is the first step in the EA process. The ToR sets out the work plan Hydro One will follow to address the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. If approved by the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the ToR will provide the framework for the second step of the process, the preparation of the EA. Important elements of the EA will be to evaluate route alternatives, assess potential effects and determine measures to avoid or mitigate these effects.

Review of the Terms of Reference

Indigenous communities, government agencies, members of the public and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the review of the ToR. The ToR will be available for a 30-day review and comment period from September 7, 2018 until October 7, 2018. The ToR can be accessed on the project website at www.HydroOne.com/LakeSuperiorLink, and hard copies will be available for review at the following locations in communities throughout the study area and Ministry offices:

MUNICIPAL OFFICES

Marathon

4 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON P0T 2E0
Monday to Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Dorion

170 Dorion Loop Road, Dorion, ON P0T 1K0
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thunder Bay

500 Donald Street East, P.O. Box 800 Thunder Bay ON P7C 5K4
Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Shuniah

420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, ON P7A 1X8
Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Wawa

40 Broadway Avenue, P.O. Box 500, Wawa, ON P0S 1K0
Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Nipigon

52 Front Street, P.O. Box 160, Nipigon ON P0T 2J0
Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Red Rock

42 Salls Street, P.O. Box 447, Red Rock, ON P0T 2P0
Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

White River

102 Durham Street, P.O. Box 307, White River, ON P0M 3G0
Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Terrace Bay

1 Selkirk Avenue, P.O. Box 40, Terrace Bay, ON P0T 2W0
Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Schreiber

204 Alberta Street, P.O. Box 40 Schreiber, ON P0T 2P0
Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION AND PARKS OFFICES

Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch
135 St. Clair Avenue West., 1st Floor, Toronto

Thunder Bay District Office
435 James St. S., Suite 331, Thunder Bay

Submission of Comments

Written comments about the ToR must be received by October 7, 2018. All comments should be submitted to the MECP:

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Comments submitted to the MECP will be forwarded to Hydro One.

For further information about this project, please contact:

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Email: Community.Relations@HydroOne.com

Website: www.HydroOne.com/LakeSuperiorLink

All personal information in a submission—such as name, address, telephone number and property location—is collected, maintained, and disclosed by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public, as described in s. 37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. 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. For more information, please contact the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1434.