

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

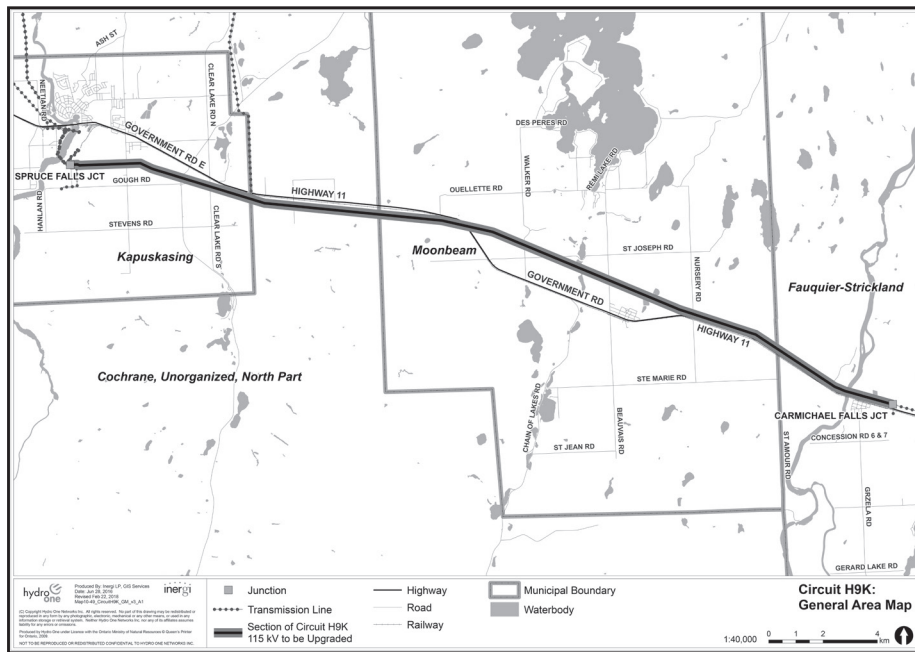
Hydro One Networks Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board to upgrade an existing transmission line and associated station facilities

Learn more.

Hydro One Networks Inc. is asking the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for permission to upgrade approximately 32 kilometres of existing 115 kilovolt electricity overhead transmission line between Spruce Falls Junction and Carmichael Falls Junction and associated station facilities at Kapuskasing Transformer Station. The proposed upgrades are required to serve the Kapuskasing area once the current generation facilities' contracts expire in 2020.

Hydro One Networks Inc. is also asking the OEB to approve the form of agreement it offers to landowners to use their lands for construction of the proposed upgrade.

A map showing the general location of the proposed transmission line and associated facilities is below.



The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. It will hold a public hearing to consider Hydro One Networks Inc.'s requests. During this hearing, the OEB will consider evidence and arguments by **Hydro One Networks Inc.** and by individuals, municipalities and others whose interests would be affected.

The OEB hearing will consider specific issues determined by law. The *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 specifies the issues the OEB is to consider in making its decision. If you wish to participate in the OEB hearing, it is important for you to understand what these issues are.

As required by the *Ontario Energy Board Act* the OEB will consider three issues:

- The interests of consumers with respect to prices and the reliability and quality of electricity service;
- The promotion of the use of renewable energy sources in a manner consistent with the policies of the Government of Ontario; and

- The form of agreement that **Hydro One Networks Inc.** offers to landowners affected by the transmission line upgrade.

The OEB hearing is not the only approval process required before the proposed line is upgraded. For example, most transmission lines are subject to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change's environmental assessment process. The OEB's review will only address the three factors outlined above and will not address other factors, such as, environmental, health, aesthetics or property value impacts.

BE INFORMED

You have the right to information regarding **Hydro One Networks Inc.**'s application. You can read **Hydro One Networks Inc.**'s application on the OEB's website (See below under "Learn More").

HAVE YOUR SAY

If you would be affected by the proposed transmission line and associated facilities, you may want to take a more active role in the hearing.

- You can send the OEB a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing; or
- You can ask the OEB for permission to be an active participant in the hearing (an intervenor). Intervenors can provide evidence, argue their positions and submit relevant questions to be answered by **Hydro One Networks Inc.** (interrogatories). To be an intervenor, a party must be affected by the transmission line in a way that relates directly to the issues the OEB will consider. If you wish to be an intervenor, the OEB must receive your request by **April 16, 2018**.

LEARN MORE

To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to read the documents related to this case, please select the file no. **EB-2018-0098** from the list on the OEB website: www.oeb.ca/noticelc. You can also phone Michael Lesychyn (Case Manager) at 1-888-632-6273, extension 632.

ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. **Hydro One Networks Inc.** has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **April 16, 2018**.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter with your comments, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the OEB's public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will be public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all your information will be public.

This application was filed under sections 92 and 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B.

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