

Feedback Form

North of Sudbury Bulk Planning Update Webinar

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The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback following the May 20, 2026, presentation of the draft recommendations for North of Sudbury Bulk Plan. A copy of the presentations as well as recordings of the sessions are available on the engagement web page.

Please submit feedback to engagement@ieso.ca by June 10, 2026.

North of Sudbury Bulk Plan - Feedback

The May 20, 2026, webinar focused on the draft North of Sudbury Bulk Plan recommendations as presented. With the plan objectives and scope established, we are seeking feedback on clarity, understanding, and considerations important to note as the plan moves toward finalization.

Question	Feedback
<p>What additional data or context would help provide more clarity and for consideration in the final report?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) For the Implementation Ready recommendations (Phase 1) could IESO provide the needed in-service dates in the final report. 2) Addition information of time frames for when Phase 2 and Phase 3 may be triggered will help OPG assess the impact of new generation on existing generation. 3) Are there any anticipated impacts to OPG’s hydro generation connected on the 115kV network north of Porcupine with the retirements/reconductoring of the lines? Is there any sequencing that can be shared? (i.e. the new 230kV installed prior to decommissioning of the 115kV).
<p>What questions or concerns do you have about the draft recommendations that the IESO might consider in future planning activities?</p>	<p>NA</p>
<p>What additional data or local considerations should the IESO be aware of in finalizing the draft recommendations, or for future planning?</p>	<p>NA</p>

General Comments/Feedback

OPG supports the IESO’s Phase 1 implementation-ready recommendation to strengthen the 230 kV transmission system north of Sudbury. Completing the 230 kV path between Iroquois Falls and Temiskaming Shores via the Kirkland Lake area, rebuilding end-of-life 115 kV infrastructure north of Timmins as 230 kV, and reinforcing key stations and

transformation points represents the appropriate near-term pathway to address existing and emerging reliability needs in the region.

These reinforcements should be encouraged for inclusion in the short-term build-out plan, as they directly improve operability, reduce reliance on remedial action schemes, and help alleviate current transmission constraints that limit the ability for hydroelectric generation in the area to supply energy reliably. A stronger 230 kV network will also provide additional connection points and improve deliverability for future resources.

Importantly, Phase 1 supports the initial stage of Moose River Basin hydroelectric development and helps position the transmission system to accommodate future northern hydro opportunities. This aligns with Ontario's broader energy objectives, including advancing Indigenous-led energy opportunities under the co-planning process, meeting growing demand, enabling new clean electricity supply and supporting regional economic development.

OPG appreciate the work that the IESO has put into this report and the sharing and discussions that took place with OPG and our co-planning partners. We look forward to reading the final report.