



Town of Milton

Memo

To: Rouselle Gratela, IESO Regional and Community Engagement
From: Megan Lovell, Senior Planner, Policy
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Subject: GTA West Integrated Regional Resource Plan Webinar March 12 2020

Thank you for hosting the public webinar on March 12, 2020. The Town participated and has provided responses to your questions below. We understand there will be another upcoming meeting with municipalities to further consult on the IRRP progress. We hope our input to-date has been useful in your process and has helped provide clarity on Milton's current and planned growth. We look forward to continuing to work with you throughout this process.

Question and responses:

Are there any key developments, projects or initiatives that should be considered in the electricity planning for the region? Is there any additional information that might influence the forecast such as the expansion or retirement of large customers/electricity users, industry trends or other local activities?

Milton is a community that has had significant growth in the last decade and is going to continue to grow in the short and long term. In addition to our existing secondary plans, Milton has four new secondary plans underway as well as planned growth surrounding the existing Downtown Milton GO Station. These areas are being planned for the following population and jobs:

- o Trafalgar Secondary Plan (2021-2031): 26,000 people and 4,000 jobs
- o Agerton Secondary Plan (2021-2031): 6,800 people and 19,000 jobs
- o Britannia Secondary Plan (2021-2031): 48,700 people and 8,300 jobs
- o Milton Education Village Secondary Plan: 13000-16000 people and jobs long term with an employment base of 3,660 jobs by 2031

- o Milton GO MTSA: with optimal build out there would be 25,114 residents and 4,137 jobs at full build out (+30 yr horizon)

Additionally, Staff Report PD-49-17 (attached) outlines Future Urban Structure for the entire Town in greater detail.

Do you have any areas of concern or interest in relation to electricity that you would like to see considered as part of the planning process?

As was noted in the November 2019 and in the March 2020 webinar, there are several ongoing projects within our Northwest GTA/GTA West Region. The Town noted concerns at that time regarding the location of existing plans for development (as noted above) and study boundaries outlined in various studies, such as the North West GTA Transmission Corridor Identification Study. The Town continues to be interested in all of these IESO projects and the overlap between them as well as the implications they have on one another and ultimately the impacts on our current planning areas. We look forward to another meeting with the IESO and the local municipalities.

In general terms, there should be an economic narrative that speaks to a re-balancing of employment growth towards the knowledge based economy. This could have implications for energy demand as data centres, data warehousing and servers are power hungry.

What information do you think will be important to provide throughout the engagement?

Current and future planned growth from local municipalities as input into the plan is critical as well as communicating what new infrastructure needs arise from the IRRP and impacts of other parallel projects.

Does the proposed Engagement Plan provide sufficient scope and opportunities for input? What other engagement activities or methods should be considered?

The Town looks forward to the next meeting with the IESO throughout the project.