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Communities continue to play a vital role in Ontario's energy transition and in shaping our shared electricity future. New energy projects will help to maintain reliability and address rising demand for electricity to support population and economic growth, electrification and decarbonization.

The IESO is pleased to host a virtual information session with multiple provincial ministries who will present on key topics for communities related to the new Long-term Two RFP (LT2 RFP). It will be held exclusively for municipal elected officials and staff on Tuesday, March 26 at 1:00 p.m. <u>Registration</u> is now open. Instructions for joining the webinar will be emailed directly to registrants in advance.

This session will include:

- Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) to present on the Environmental Assessment and Renewable Energy Approval processes
- Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) to present on access to Crown Land for siting projects
- Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) to discuss the current land use planning policies in place to guide the siting of energy projects in prime agricultural areas
- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) to provide an overview of the provincial land use planning framework

This session will build on previous IESO webinars held for the broader public on <u>February 9</u> and <u>February 22</u> that involved these ministries, and will provide a deeper discussion about issues specific to local communities.

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Sincerely,

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