

# Renewable Energy Predevelopment Projects on Crown Land

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## *Submitting a predevelopment proposal to MNR*

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# INTRODUCTION

Renewable energy predevelopment projects on Crown land have the potential to trigger requirements under multiple pieces of Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) policy and legislation. These can include, but are not limited to, the requirements outlined under the Renewable Energy Project Approval and Permit Requirements Document (APRD), the requirements associated with an application for Crown land, MNR's Crown land work permit application requirements, and authorizations under the Crown Forest Sustainability Act. This document provides a general overview of the steps associated with applying for a renewable energy predevelopment project on Crown land. Figure 1 provides a visual overview of these steps.

**The submission requirements identified in this document are not intended to replace or supersede any requirements identified in legislation or existing MNR policy or guidance. This document is intended to support applicants by clarifying MNR expectations and consolidating submission requirements under multiple processes, addressing instances of duplication or overlap. The information provided in this document is subject to change from time to time and it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the information used to support project planning and compliance with legislative requirements is current and accurate.**

The APRD is the formal guidance on MNR's requirements for both predevelopment and full project application, review, and decisions regarding the approval of renewable energy projects where MNR has a legislative responsibility. The relevant statutes, regulations, and policies should be referred to for complete direction.

The requirements identified in this document do not relieve an applicant from the responsibility of acquiring any other approvals, for example from an agency, board, or other ministries or governments, nor does it relieve an applicant from the requirements of any other legislation.

***NOTE: Please refer to [Ontario.ca](http://Ontario.ca) for the most up-to-date MNR requirements for renewable energy on Crown land.***

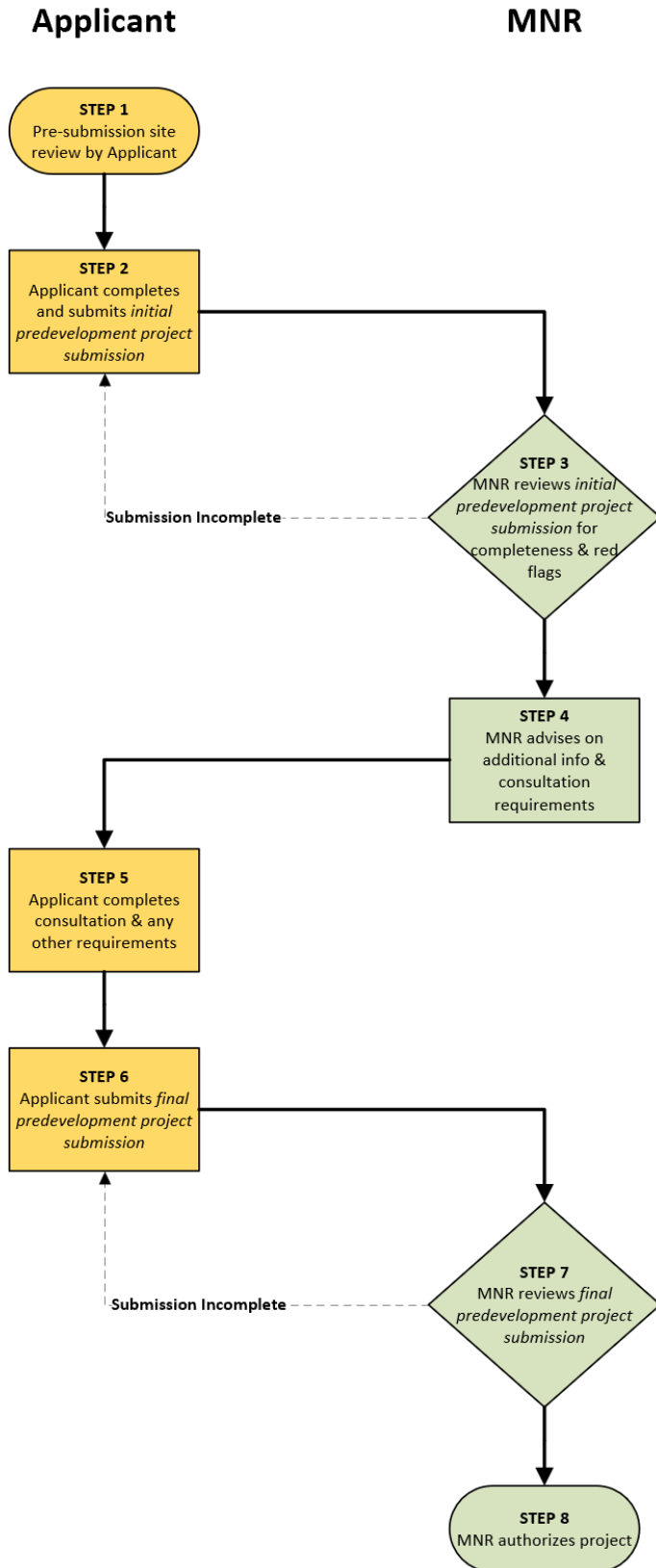


Figure 1. Steps associated with applying for a renewable energy predevelopment project

## **STEP 1. Pre-submission site review (Proponent-led)**

Renewable energy development on Crown land must be consistent with MNR's Crown land use planning direction, legislation, and policy. Before compiling the information required for an initial predevelopment project submission, applicants should conduct a preliminary review to assess site suitability and identify potential constraints that could influence the project.

A list of resources can be found in Appendix A which is intended to assist applicants in conducting this preliminary review. This list includes MNR policies and guidance materials that outline ministry requirements and identify circumstances where renewable energy development on Crown land is not permitted or is subject to specific prohibitions. The list also includes resources and tools that allow applicants to identify potential constraints at their site of interest.

For questions related to activity details and understanding application requirements, please contact [MNRRenewableenergysupport@ontario.ca](mailto:MNRRenewableenergysupport@ontario.ca).

## **STEP 2. Applicant completes and submits initial predevelopment project submission (Proponent-led)**

Once an applicant has conducted a preliminary review to assess the suitability of a site and to identify potential constraints, they should complete an initial predevelopment project submission which will be submitted to MNR. The information gathered in Step 1, as well as the resources identified in Appendix A, will help applicants to complete a comprehensive initial predevelopment project submission.

The following requirements must be included in a complete initial predevelopment project submission:

### **1. Predevelopment Project Description Report**

*As described in Sections 5.1.2., 5.2.2, and 5.2.6 of the [APRD](#) & in the PLA submission requirements identified on the [Buy or Rent Crown Land](#) webpage.*

A predevelopment project description includes a description of:

- The purpose and rationale.
- The activities and improvements that will be engaged in as part of the renewable energy predevelopment project, including all devices or structures to be used and all related infrastructure.
- The length of time the renewable energy predevelopment project will be in place.
- The location and timing of any construction activities.
- Equipment/machinery to be used.
- The proposed access (new or existing) for the project. This must clearly identify whether the construction of new access or upgrades to existing access is required.
- The installation, duration, and operation of the devices or structures and all related infrastructure, including the proposed:
  - Location of installation
  - Method of installation
  - Timing of installation

- Duration of operation
- Operation of the device
- Any negative environmental effects that may result from construction or installation activities within a 300-metre radius of the activities.
- Mitigation measures for any negative environmental effects or which are integral to the design/scope of the renewable energy predevelopment project.

## **2. Application for Crown land**

*As described in Section 4.6 of the [APRD](#) & the PLA submission requirements identified on the [Buy or Rent Crown Land](#) webpage.*

Renewable energy predevelopment projects that require authority to occupy Crown land (e.g., a wind meteorological evaluation tower [MET] ) are normally granted occupational authority through a Land Use Permit (LUP) under the Public Lands Act.

A complete [Application for Crown Land](#) must be included in the initial predevelopment project submission. Application must be signed and dated to be deemed complete.

## **3. Work permit application (as applicable)**

*As described in Section 4.6 of the [APRD](#) & the PLA submission requirements identified on the [Crown Land Work Permits](#) webpage.*

A work permit is required for certain activities on Crown land and shore lands as set out in O. Reg 239/13 under the *Public Lands Act*. If a renewable energy predevelopment project includes one or more activities that require a work permit, a complete work permit application must be included in the *initial predevelopment project submission*.

- Complete an [Application for Work Permit – Part 1](#)
  - Application must be signed and dated to be deemed complete.
- Complete Work Permit Application Part(s) 2, 3, 4, and/or 5 as applicable to the project.
  - [Work Permit Application Part 2 – Building Construction](#)
  - [Work Permit Application Part 3 – Application to do Work on Shorelands](#)

- [Work Permit Application Part 4 – Road or Trail Construction/Water Crossings](#)
- [Work Permit Application Part 5 – Works Within a Waterbody](#)
- If a renewable energy predevelopment project involves multiple activities that require a work permit, applicants must provide complete copies of Part 2, 3, 4, or 5 for proposed works, as appropriate.
  - Applications for roads must depict the width of the driveable roadbed, width of ditches, width of proposed cleared right of way, and locations of all water crossings.

## **4. Site plan**

*As described in Sections 5.1.5, 5.2.5.1, and 5.2.6 of the [APRD](#) & in the PLA submission requirements identified on the [Buy or Rent Crown Land](#) webpage and the [Crown Land Work Permits](#) webpage.*

Site plans are used to understand the proposed work relative to the site and conditions. An initial predevelopment project submission must include one or more well-marked, legible, and reproducible maps showing the project and the land within 300 metres of the project location.

Site plans should be 'to-scale' drawings showing the location and proposed improvements with relevant key features such as, but not limited to:

- The location and boundary of the renewable energy predevelopment project, including dimensions (e.g., metres) and coordinates (e.g., UTM).
- Sketch of proposed occupation(s).
- All related infrastructure, including buildings, structures, and improvements existing and proposed within the subject area.
  - All buildings, structures, and improvements, also require detailed cross-sectional drawings including clear dimensions.
- Proposed access to the site, identifying whether this is new or existing access.

- Any water crossings, bridges, culverts, and/or causeways that are part of the project.
- All known natural features, including any significant natural features (see Section 5.2.3.1 of the APRD).
  - Note: if species at risk are identified applicants should contact the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). at [SAR@ontario.ca](mailto:SAR@ontario.ca) to discuss any applicable species at risk permitting requirements related to a proposed project.
- All adjacent properties (where applicable).
- Description of vegetation cover, all water, and the location of where photos are taken.
- Land contours, surface water drainage, and any water bodies, provincial parks, or conservation reserves.
- Any existing infrastructure on site.
- Proposed mitigation measures (where applicable).
- Site plans should also include a North arrow, normally pointing towards the top of the page, the scale of the site plan, and any other relevant information relative to the proposed work.

## **5. Key map(s)**

*As described in the PLA submission requirements identified on the [Buy or Rent Crown Land](#) webpage.*

Key maps (scale between 1:100,000 and 1:50,000) are used to locate the general area of the application for Crown land. Initial predevelopment project submissions must include a map that is 'to-scale' and depicts relevant key features, such as:

- Township fabric
- Ownership details
- Existing right of ways and access information
- Coordinates of the site
- Any waterbodies



- Other relevant information

## **6. Photographs**

*As described in the PLA submission requirements identified on the [Buy or Rent Crown Land](#) webpage.*

- Photos should:
  - Be clear and unobstructed in snow-free conditions.
  - Be taken with good light.
  - Provide a wide-angle view of the site.
- They can also provide a detailed view of something specific and relevant to the application.
  - Indicate the direction and relate the locations identified on the site plan.

## **Next steps**

Once an applicant has compiled all mandatory minimum requirements, they may submit their complete initial predevelopment project submission to the appropriate MNR work center for review. The following webpage allows users to find the contact information and locations for MNR work centers in Ontario: [MNR Work Centers | Ontario.ca](#).

Alternatively, applicants may also submit their complete initial predevelopment project submission to MNR through the [Natural Resources Information Portal \(NRIP\)](#).

### **STEP 3. MNR reviews initial predevelopment project submission for completeness and to identify any red flags (MNR-led)**

Upon receipt of an initial predevelopment project submission at the appropriate MNR work centre, ministry staff will review the submission for completion and to ensure the identified location is permitted by policy.

MNR will confirm that the proposed renewable energy predevelopment project is located on Crown land and is consistent with MNR's Crown land use policy (CLUPA) and the Renewable Energy on Crown Land (RECL) policy.

The RECL policy identifies that the following Crown lands are not available for renewable energy development:

- an area regulated or recommended as a provincial park or conservation reserve, where the project would not qualify as an exception under the Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves Act,
- an area designated as a dedicated protected area in the Far North, where the project would qualify as an exception under community-based land use plans or the Far North Act,
- greenfield waterpower development (including any reservoirs, impoundments and water control structures or weirs) on a naturally reproducing lake trout lake, or
- an area where existing authorizations or dispositions under the Public Lands Act, Aggregate Resources Act, Oil Gas and Salt Resources Act, or Mining Act would prohibit development.

The APRD does not allow renewable energy predevelopment projects in:

- Provincially significant southern wetlands
- Provincially significant coastal wetlands
  - Provincial parks or a conservation reserves (with minor exceptions)

MNR will identify if the location is within the following areas and outline the potential implications or limitations:

- Lands subject to protocols with Aboriginal communities, land claim processes or settlement agreements, or other exceptional circumstances that may preclude development.
- Hazard lands.
- Cultural heritage resources known to MNR.
  - Existing occupational authority, rights holder (e.g., aggregate permit), or incompatible application in review by MNR.

The APRD identifies additional requirements and limitations on locations outlined in “Prohibitions on Development” (Section 5.2.3.1). MNR will review the initial predevelopment project submission to determine if the location is in an area as identified in this section of the APRD.

If the initial predevelopment project submission is incomplete, MNR will inform the applicant and request the missing information.

If the initial predevelopment project submission is complete, proceed to Step 4.

## **STEP 4. MNR advises on additional information & consultation requirements (MNR-led)**

If the initial predevelopment project submission was deemed complete in Step 3, MNR will notify the Ministry of Mines of a pending Public Lands Act disposition or request consent from existing claim holders and notify the Sustainable Forest Licence holder of a pending disposition, as applicable.

MNR will review the initial predevelopment project submission to identify and scope any additional project-specific requirements. Additional requirements may be associated with the APRD, the Crown's duty to consult, or any other applicable MNR policies, procedures, and/or legislation. This may include, but is not limited to:

### **Consultation Report**

*As described in Section 5.2.1 of the APRD and in accordance with the Crown's duty to consult.*

Once the initial predevelopment project submission has been reviewed, MNR will scope the Indigenous and stakeholder consultation requirements which must be completed by the applicant. The consultation requirements for renewable energy predevelopment projects on Crown land are outlined in Section 5.2.1 of the APRD.

The duty to consult Indigenous communities is triggered where the Crown has knowledge, real or constructive, of credibly asserted or established Aboriginal or treaty rights and contemplates conduct that has the potential to adversely impact those rights.

Where MNR assesses that a renewable energy predevelopment project triggers the duty to consult, the ministry may delegate the procedural aspects of consultation to the applicant while maintaining appropriate oversight over the consultation process. Before issuing any approvals for renewable energy predevelopment projects that trigger the duty to consult, MNR will assess the sufficiency of consultation and accommodations.

Based on the consultation requirements identified by MNR, a Consultation Report will be submitted by the applicant, which must include:

- A summary of communication with any members of the public, Indigenous communities, municipalities, local road boards and local services boards regarding the predevelopment project.
  - o Evidence that the information required to be distributed to Indigenous communities (under Section 5.2.1.2 of the APRD) was distributed.
- Any information provided by an Indigenous community in response to a request (made under paragraph 4 of Section 5.2.1.2 of the APRD).
- A description of whether, and how, comments from members of the public, Indigenous communities, municipalities, local roads boards and Local Services Boards were considered by the applicant.
- A description of whether, and how, the predevelopment project or project documentation was altered in response to these comments.

## **Consideration of protected properties, archaeological, and heritage resources**

*As described in Section 5.2.4 of the APRD.*

Applicants are required to consider whether the proposed renewable energy predevelopment project may have an impact on cultural heritage resources. Final predevelopment project submissions shall determine and summarize:

- Whether the renewable energy predevelopment project is on, or abuts, a property subject to a protection under the Ontario Heritage Act.
- Whether the renewable energy predevelopment project may have an impact on an archaeological resource or a heritage resource.
- If there is no impact, a written summary of the factors leading to this determination must be included.

In accordance with Section 5.2.4 of the APRD, additional studies or assessments are required if a renewable energy predevelopment project has the potential to impact cultural heritage values or resources of archaeological value.

The following checklists from the Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism may assist applicants in determining if a proposed renewable energy predevelopment project may have an impact on cultural heritage resources.

- [Checklist 021-0500](#): Criteria for Evaluating Potential for Built Heritage Resources and Cultural Heritage Landscapes.
- [Checklist 021-0478](#): Criteria for Evaluating Archaeological Potential.

## **Decommissioning Plan**

*As described in Section 5.2.7 of the [APRD](#).*

A Decommissioning Plan is required to ensure the project location is restored to a clean and safe condition. This includes the retiring, abandoning, dismantling, or removing from active service, working order, or operation all components of the renewable energy predevelopment project. The Decommissioning Plan should identify the method of removal and the type of machinery which will be used. The Decommissioning Plan is also to include the timing of decommissioning activities, including any applicable timing window constraints.

## **Corporate Profile Report**

*As described in the PLA submission requirements identified on the [Buy or Rent Crown Land](#) webpage.*

If the applicant is a corporation, a current [Corporate Profile Report](#) is required.

## **Authorization(s) under the Crown Forest Sustainability Act**

If a renewable energy predevelopment project on Crown land requires tree clearing, a forest resource licence or a permit to remove Crown forest resources may be required under the Crown Forest Sustainability Act.

## **Authorization(s) under the Aggregate Resources Act**

If a renewable energy predevelopment project involves extracting and removing aggregate material, approval under the Aggregate Resources Act may be required.

## **Authorization(s) under the Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act**

If a renewable energy predevelopment project requires the construction, alteration, improvement, or repair of dam infrastructure, including temporary dams and other works (e.g., water crossings, channelizations, enclosures, cables, and pipelines), this work may be subject to Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act approvals.

More information related to the Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act as well as its Administrative Guide and associated technical bulletins can be found at the following location: [Dam management | Ontario.ca](https://dammanagement.ontario.ca).

## **Natural Heritage and Waterbody Assessment (as applicable)**

*As described in Section 5.2.3 of the [APRD](#).*

Section 5.2.3.1 of the APRD sets out area-specific prohibitions on renewable energy predevelopment projects that require the construction of a new or modified transportation system.

Final predevelopment project submissions which involve the construction of a new or modified transportation system must provide a:

- **Records Review Report** to identify known natural features or waterbodies, as outlined in Section 5.2.3.2 of the APRD.
- **Site Investigation Report**, which involves undertaking a physical investigation of the project location to identify and provide information about specific natural features and resources, as outlined in Section 5.2.3.3 of the APRD.

In accordance with Section 5.2.3.4 of the APRD, an **Evaluation Report** is required if a renewable energy predevelopment project involves constructing a new or modified transportation system and is planned in an area that may be subject to a prohibition described in Section 5.2.3.1 of the APRD.

- In accordance with Section 5.2.3.5 of the APRD, an **Environmental Impact Study Report** is required if a renewable energy predevelopment project involves

the construction of a new or modified transportation system and is planned in an area that is subject to a prohibition described in Section 5.2.3.1 of the APRD.

## **Assessment of the presence of species and habitat protected under the Endangered Species Act, 2007**

*As described in Section 5.1.3 of the APRD.*

The administration of the Endangered Species Act, 2007 is now the responsibility of MECP. Applicants should contact MECP at [SAR@ontario.ca](mailto:SAR@ontario.ca) to discuss any applicable species at risk permitting requirements related to a proposed project.

## **Design and Operations Report**

*As described in Section 5.2.5 of the APRD.*

*Note – the information requirements identified in s.5.2.5.1 (“Site Plan”) of the APRD have been incorporated into the Site Plan requirements described earlier in this document. The information requirements identified in s.5.2.6 (“Construction Plan Report”) of the APRD have been incorporated into the “Project Description” and “Site Plan” requirements described earlier in this document. This does not preclude MNR from requesting this information as part of the Design and Operations Report if required.*

In accordance with Section 5.2.5.2 of the APRD, where the applicant is undertaking mitigation measures to address environmental effects, an **Environmental Effects Monitoring Plan** is required that will include the:

- Reason for monitoring.
- Environmental component or mitigation measures being monitored and the scope of the program.
- Methods and procedures that are to be used for monitoring extent of effects and the effectiveness of mitigation strategies.
- Timing and duration of monitoring activities including extension of monitoring activities if unanticipated effects occur.
- Monitoring results reporting provision, including when interim and final reports will be prepared for MNR. Reports should describe monitoring actions that were



undertaken, a description of the study and sampling areas, the data that was collected, and the results and interpretation of these results.

- Provision for additional actions that may be required to address an effect, including operational mitigation and any related monitoring.

## **Crown Land Interests Report**

*As described in Section 6.9 of the APRD.*

Upon MNR review of a complete initial predevelopment project submission, the applicant may be required to provide information related, but not limited, to:

- Title searches and legal agreements from affected landowners.
- Consents from unpatented mining claim holders or agreement from mining lease holders (where surface rights are held) to surrender all or part of leases where required.
- Legal agreements with Petroleum lease holders regarding infrastructure.
- Mitigation of effects to existing users, including those with licenses, permits or tenure (may require consent/agreement).
- Site access controls to mitigate the effects to other resource users or management activities.
- Measures to address compatibility with or effects to existing land use direction.

## **STEP 5. Applicant completes consultation and any other requirements (Proponent-led)**

Applicants will complete the requirements identified by MNR in Step 4 and undertake the necessary consultation.

## **STEP 6. Applicant submits the final predevelopment project submission to MNR (Proponent-led)**

Once all necessary consultation is complete and all additional requirements identified by MNR are compiled, applicants will submit their complete final predevelopment project submission to the appropriate MNR work center.

The final predevelopment project submission must include all information required in the initial predevelopment project submission, as well as any project-specific requirements identified by MNR in Step 4. If the project design has changed in any way based on the identified consultation or information requirements, this must be clearly identified in the final predevelopment project submission.

## **STEP 7. MNR reviews the final predevelopment project submission (MNR-led)**

MNR will review the final predevelopment project submission for completeness and will confirm that the Crown's duty to consult has been fulfilled.

This review will confirm that all requirements identified in Step 4 have been submitted and provide enough information about the project activities, mitigation measures, and impacts for MNR to authorize the predevelopment project with appropriate conditions. This review will also confirm that the Indigenous and stakeholder consultation documented in the Consultation Report have addressed the requirements specified by MNR and meets the Crown's duty to consult.

If the final predevelopment project submission has not adequately addressed the requirements identified in Step 4, MNR will inform the applicant and request the necessary information.

If the final predevelopment project submission has adequately addressed the requirements identified in Step 4 and MNR has sufficient information to deem the duty to consult complete, proceed to Step 8.

## **STEP 8. MNR authorizes the renewable energy predevelopment project (MNR-led)**

Once confirmed, MNR will proceed with issuing the necessary approvals and permits for the renewable energy predevelopment project following the applicable processes in MNR policies and procedures.

## **Appendix A – Resource list for predevelopment project submissions**

### **Renewable Energy on Crown Land (RECL) policy (PL 4.10.06) | Ontario.ca**

This policy establishes how MNR manages access to Ontario's Crown lands for waterpower, onshore wind power and solar power renewable energy projects. This policy framework identifies:

- Requirements to gain access to Crown land to advance a renewable energy development proposal.
- Circumstances where renewable energy development on Crown land is not permitted in Ontario.

Should a project move to the development phase, it must be consistent with the Renewable Energy on Crown land policy.

### **Renewable Energy Project Approval and Permitting Requirements Document (APRD) | Ontario.ca**

The APRD outlines MNR's consultation and report requirements to construct a renewable energy predevelopment project (also called a testing project). The APRD identifies situations where renewable energy predevelopment projects are prohibited, or where additional studies or reporting requirements may be required.

- Section 5.1 of the APRD addresses renewable energy predevelopment projects where no construction is needed to access the project location.
- Section 5.2 of the APRD addresses renewable energy predevelopment projects where a new road or trail or upgrades to a road or trail are needed to access the project location.

## **Ontario GeoHub (Land Information Ontario)**

Ontario's geospatial data is available through Ontario GeoHub. Ontario GeoHub provides descriptive information about the characteristics, quality, and context of the data. Ontario GeoHub has options to download the data or using a web service for mapping.

Some MNR data found in Ontario GeoHub may be sensitive and restricted. To access these datasets, you will need to complete a licence agreement. To request restricted or sensitive data, or for other questions about data access requests, contact Land Information Ontario (LIO) Support at [lio@ontario.ca](mailto:lio@ontario.ca).

MNR data found in Ontario GeoHub should not be considered a substitute for site visits and appropriate field surveys. A lack of information does not mean that additional features and values are not present at a site.

## **Crown Land Use Policy Atlas (CLUPA) | Ontario.ca**

CLUPA is the source of area-specific land use policy for MNR administered Crown lands south of the Far North Boundary. CLUPA allows users to view Crown land use area boundaries, to make a map, and to search for an area-specific land use policy or amendment online. Land use policies are presented in CLUPA policy reports specific to each land use area and can be accessed using the interactive map browser.

All renewable energy projects (including supporting infrastructure such as roads) must be consistent with Crown land use policy. Please confirm your project complies with land use planning direction and area specific land use policy.

Community Based Land Use Plans (CBLUP) developed and approved under the Far North Act are held in CLUPA and are the source of direction in the Far North of Ontario. If your project is located within the Far North, please contact [MNRRenewableenergysupport@ontario.ca](mailto:MNRRenewableenergysupport@ontario.ca) for more information about local land use direction.

## **Pits and Quarries Online | Ontario.ca**

Crown lands are not available for renewable energy development in areas where existing authorizations or dispositions under the Aggregate Resources Act would prohibit development. Pits and Quarries Online allows users to locate and view information about aggregate pits and quarries in Ontario.

## **Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Library**

Crown lands are not available for renewable energy development in areas where existing authorizations or dispositions under the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act would prohibit development. This webpage includes information on Ontario's subsurface geology and oil, gas, salt, and underground hydrocarbon storage resources.

## **Mining Lands Administration System (MLAS) | Ontario.ca**

Crown lands are not available for renewable energy development in areas where existing authorizations or dispositions under the Mining Act would prohibit development. MLAS provides spatial data and related information including current mineral titles and the availability of lands for mining claim acquisition.

## **Make a Map: Natural Heritage Areas | Ontario.ca**

This mapping tool shows non-sensitive natural heritage values, such as wetlands, woodlands, provincial parks, and Natural Heritage Information Centre data (e.g., species or plant communities of conservation concern, wildlife concentration areas, etc.). If there is no information for a specific location, it does not mean those values are not present, it simply means they may not have been mapped yet. The information in this mapping tool is not a substitute for site visits.

Section 5.2.3.1 of the APRD lists prohibitions, or circumstances where additional studies are needed for certain renewable energy predevelopment projects; for instance, if the project is located within proximity to natural heritage values.



## **Inland lakes designated for lake trout management | Ontario.ca**

This report lists the inland Ontario lakes (exclusive of the Great Lakes) that are currently designated for Lake Trout management. Crown lands are not available for new waterpower development (including any reservoirs, impoundments and water control structures or weirs) on naturally reproducing lake trout lakes.

Section 5.2.3.1 of the APRD identifies that additional studies are needed for certain renewable energy predevelopment projects if they fall within proximity to a designated Lake Trout Lake.

## **Buy or rent Crown land | Ontario.ca**

Occupational authority is required to use or occupy Crown land. Typically, renewable energy predevelopment projects do not involve long-term tenure. In most cases, land use permits are the form of occupational authority used for renewable energy predevelopment projects. This webpage provides an overview of buying or renting Crown land.

## **Crown land work permits | Ontario.ca**

A work permit under the Public Lands Act is required for certain activities before any work can take place on MNR-administered lands. This webpage lists the activities that need a work permit and outlines how to apply for a work permit. If a work permit is needed, submit the work permit application as part of the initial predevelopment project submission.

## **Crown land management policies | Ontario.ca**

This webpage includes MNRF policies and procedures that guide the day-to-day and long-term management of MNRF-administered Crown lands.