

Feedback Form

Regional Electricity Planning in the GTA West Region – April 2, 2026

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Following the GTA West regional planning webinar held on April 2, 2026, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback on the identified electricity needs and initial screening of potential options. A copy of the presentation as well as recording of the session can be accessed from the [engagement web page](#).

Please submit feedback to engagement@ieso.ca by April 23, 2026.

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What feedback do you have on the wire and non-wire options that will be considered to meet the region's electricity needs?	Additional information is needed on why non-wire options were screened out for sites within Mississauga. Several sites have been lumped together, and high-level reasons are provided for why the non-wire options are screened out (e.g., "distributed generation due to timing or technical

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	<p>infeasibility”). To effectively comment on the wire and non-wire options, we first need to understand the specific, detailed reasons why non-wires were screened out for each site and whether non-wire solutions are being considered – at a minimum – to address a portion of the capacity needs.</p>
<p>What additional information should be considered in the evaluation of wire and non-wire options?</p>	<p>More detail is needed to identify what additional information should be considered in wire and non-wire options. For example, in the “Steps for Screening Options,” IESO indicates that one of the steps is to “consider local factors that may require further analysis of non-wire alternatives...” It is unclear what “local factors” were considered for Mississauga.</p>
<p>Are there other types of information that would be helpful for us to provide in future engagements to enhance understanding of community perspectives and insights?</p>	<p>CoM encourages the IESO to show its work, using plain language. For example, IESO has not provided specific information for why the non-wires options were screened out. At a minimum, there should be separate reasons why non-wire alternatives were considered for each site (e.g., Churchill Meadows TS = demand response due to timing). In addition, more details should be provided for each of these reasons. This could include an explanation as to why there isn’t enough time for demand response actions and what factors were considered in coming to this conclusion.</p> <p>Consideration for more regular and ongoing direct interactions with municipalities may help in better understanding present and future electricity needs. Currently, the Technical Working Group being led by the IESO consists of LDCs in the region and the local transmitter. Extending membership to include affected municipalities in the GTA West area would provide more opportunities and greater insight into projects on the ground.</p>

General Comments/Feedback

CoM encourages the IESO to consult directly with municipalities as it builds out its plan in the GTA West Region, including designating a staff member as a point of contact for municipalities. This will help keep the lines of communication open between the IESO and municipalities and foster productive working relationships. Many municipalities are relying on a low carbon electricity grid to

meet their emission reduction targets, and IESO and municipalities will need to work together to make this a reality.

In addition, CoM encourages the IESO to establish partnerships with private, public, non-profit, and academic organizations to work on non-wire options. For example, the IESO could partner with CoM on projects to decrease demand or on distributed generation in areas that are expected to be electrically constrained.