

Feedback Form

Regional Electricity Planning - North of Dryden Addendum Study

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Following the North of Dryden Addendum regional planning webinar held on May 7, 2025, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback on the demand forecast, electricity needs, and options screening. 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 May 21, 2025.

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Topic	Feedback
What feedback do you have regarding the demand forecast?	Click or tap here to enter text.
What feedback do you have regarding the electricity needs identified?	Click or tap here to enter text.
What feedback do you have regarding the options screened to meet the needs?	
What additional information should be considered as we evaluate options?	Click or tap here to enter text.
What additional information should be provided in future engagements to help understand perspectives and insights?	Click or tap here to enter text.

General Comments/Feedback

The OWA strongly encourages that the Plan Addendum specifically recognize the waterpower potential that may be liberated through transmission included in this plan. The OWA retained Hatch in 2013 to provide an assessment of hydroelectric opportunities in proximity to the then proposed grid extensions north of Red Lake and Pickle Lake and into the Ring of Fire (<https://owa.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/NorthernHydroFinal-Executive-Summary.pdf>). This assessment was updated in 2017 to align with the development of the Wataynikaneyap Power Line, and demonstrated that there was economic “community-scale waterpower” potential in proximity to virtually all of the remote Indigenous Communities to be connected – providing both grid stability services and economic opportunities for the communities. The OWA would be pleased to provide the IESO and/or transmitters with our GIS-based (goggle earth) mapping to support the Addendum. A sample of the map product generated at the time is attached.