

IESO Engagement

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Subject: Join a Discussion to Inform Northwest Electricity Planning

Electricity planning is well underway for the Northwest region and the IESO has already engaged with many communities and stakeholders to better understand the needs and priorities to be addressed in this planning process. As a result of this engagement, we heard that there is a need for a deeper, more targeted, discussions to address some of the issues raised.

We heard that you wanted to express your concerns about the reliability of electricity within your own communities and that you wanted to share and learn about some of the local initiatives that are being considered and implemented to support your own electricity needs. In addition, new developments in the North of Dryden area are emerging, so a discussion is needed to better understand this growth potential and emerging electricity needs.

We invite you to register for one or more of the following sessions – these virtual discussions will be designed to be as interactive as possible:

- **Discussion #1: Customer Reliability Concerns: Tuesday, November 2 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

[Register here](#)

A number of communities have expressed local reliability concerns within the Northwest. This discussion will provide an opportunity to share your views and learn how your electricity needs are considered in this regional planning process.

- **Discussion #2: Emerging Local Initiatives: Thursday, November 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

[Register here](#)

Come to this discussion to talk about your community's future energy plans, climate change goals and/or initiatives (i.e. electrification or local energy solutions) that are being contemplated. This meeting will provide you an opportunity to hear about and share perspectives with other northern Ontario communities and, in particular, how it pertains to your region's electricity planning needs.

- **Discussion #3: North of Dryden Area: Monday, November 29 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. [Register here](#)**

This discussion will focus on the growth and emerging electricity needs in the North of Dryden area which is bounded geographically by Dryden to the southwest, Red Lake to the northwest and Pickle Lake to the northeast. This meeting is open to all interested parties and may be of particular interest to municipalities, Indigenous and Métis communities as well as electricity consumers in the North of Dryden region including mining and large manufacturing companies.

Your input will help to inform the broader regional electricity plan for the Northwest. We look forward to having these important discussions with you. More details will follow for each of the above sessions including materials to help prepare for an effective dialogue.

Visit the Northwest Regional Electricity Planning [engagement webpage](#) for more detailed information about this initiative.

Regards,
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