

# Feedback Form

## Regional Electricity Planning in Sudbury/Algoma – July 16, 2026

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Following the Sudbury/Algoma electricity planning engagement webinar held on July 16, 2026, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking your feedback on the draft electricity demand forecast scenarios and the proposed engagement plan. A copy of the presentation and the recording of the session can be accessed from the [engagement web page](#).

**Please submit feedback to [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca) by July 31, 2026.**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>What additional information, if any, should be incorporated in the proposed scenarios? How can the</li><li>proposed scenarios best capture the range and uncertainty of growth potential while informing</li></ul> | There are a large number of Indigenous Communities that are potentially affected by this Regional Planning initiative. It is not clear how the input from these communities is incorporated into the plan. Some communities have capacity funding from previous IESO initiatives but the 2026 plan needs to be rolled out to effectively ensure that these communities are represented. As an example: In |

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| near-term infrastructure investments?                                                                                                                       | <p>Janauay,2026 Whitefish River First Nation (not currently part of ECFN) provided the IESO with a number of recommendations including “incorporating community-level and Indigenous led planning inputs alongside technical load forecasts” It is not clear how these recommendations were incorporated into this regional Planning.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What areas of concern or interest about electricity should be considered as part of the planning process?</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Service Quality: From Indigenous communities within the ECFN service territory there are a number of Quality issues that are affecting both the large scale infrastructure (Water Pumps) and individual homes (power surges damaging equipment). How is this being addressed in the plan?</li> <li>2) Service Resiliency: SAIDI and SAIFI indicators published with the OEB allow for the exclusion of “loss of supply” in the calculation. How is the loss of supply being addressed in the Plan? Local Planning Drivers (page19 webinar #1) do not include Service Quality and Service Resiliency as inputs. A recent study of Feeder Level data within the ECFN corridor provided a 5 year historical look at a number of ECFN Communities. The frequency and duration results from this Feeder report were very poor and efforts to remediate have not been effective. Diverse Feeder and Non-Wire solutions need to be implemented to bring these statistics into line. I suspect the story for other communities in the Sudbury / Algoma region will uncover similar results if they request community Feeder information.</li> <li>3) Distributed Energy Projects – ECFN communities are exploring additional DER and BESS projects within their corridor. What is the forum(s) for inclusion in the Long-Term (High Reference scenario) forecasts?</li> <li>4) Additional Transmission Lines: The additional Transmission lines also provide additional opportunities to improve Service Quality and Reliability by adding additional connection points and re-routing the supply in poorly serviced areas.</li> <li>5) Hamner TS: In Greater Sudbury Reference and High (page 23 / 24) there are no load assumptions associated with Hamner TS – is part of the Hydro One Demand Forecast? (page 21). What are the summary assumptions for</li> </ul> |

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|                                                                                                                                             | <p>this TS? There appears to be a lot of public announcements of late considering the re-opening of Mines. I would have thought this element would have been a significant component of the High scenario.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What information is important to provide throughout the engagement?</li> </ul>                     | <p>A better understanding of how Indigenous knowledge and local initiatives are being factored into the plans.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the proposed Engagement Plan provide sufficient scope and opportunities for input?</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback from Indigenous communities needs to be Funded and Formalized to capture the needs and concerns of the communities that will be 50/50 equity partners with Hydro One. I suggest a dedicated (funded) Indigenous Service &amp; Quality forum might aid in capturing the unique feedback from all communities that are potentially impacted.</li> </ul> |

## General Comments/Feedback

The process is quite complicated and involves a number of stakeholder groups. We are complimentary of the Material and Engagement that we have had with the IESO staff. ECFN looks forward to continuing our involvement with the process. Thanks for listening.