

Feedback Form

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

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To promote transparency, feedback submitted will be posted on the [Sudbury/Algoma engagement webpage](#) unless otherwise requested by the sender.

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 by July 31, 2026.

Topic	Feedback
What additional information, if any, should be incorporated in the proposed scenarios? How can the proposed scenarios best capture the range and uncertainty of growth potential while informing near-term infrastructure investments?	Click or tap here to enter text.

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What areas of concern or interest about electricity should be considered as part of the planning process?	Click or tap here to enter text.
What information is important to provide throughout the engagement?	Click or tap here to enter text.
Does the proposed Engagement Plan provide sufficient scope and opportunities for input?	

General Comments/Feedback

Please see the attached letter from Greater Sudbury Development Corporation providing feedback on the importance of the Sudbury/Algoma line.

July 20, 2026

Subject: Feedback on the Sudbury-Algoma Integrated Regional Resource Plan (IRRP)

To whom it may concern,

The Greater Sudbury Development Corporation (GSDC), through its support of the City of Greater Sudbury's Economic Development Division, appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on the Sudbury-Algoma Integrated Regional Resource Plan (IRRP). We support the development of the IRRP and recognize the important role it plays in ensuring the region's electricity system can meet the needs of residents, businesses, and future economic growth.

As the economic development agency of the City of Greater Sudbury, the GSDC works to advance sustainable economic growth through investment attraction, business retention and expansion, workforce development, strategic planning, and support for emerging sectors. Greater Sudbury serves as the economic hub of Northern Ontario and is home to globally significant mining, critical minerals, battery supply chain, advanced manufacturing, health sciences, education, transportation, and technology sectors. Through these efforts, the GSDC and the City work to create the conditions necessary for private-sector investment, job creation, and long-term prosperity.

Reliable, resilient, and available electricity infrastructure is fundamental to fulfilling this mandate. Increasingly, electricity capacity and reliability are among the first considerations for companies evaluating locations for new facilities, industrial expansions, and major capital investment projects. Access to sufficient electrical capacity directly influences site selection decisions and can determine whether investment opportunities are realized within a community.

Greater Sudbury is currently experiencing significant interest from industrial and commercial investors, particularly in sectors associated with critical minerals processing, mining supply and services, manufacturing, logistics, and value-added industrial activity. Many of these opportunities involve substantial electricity requirements and are being driven by broader provincial, national, and international efforts to strengthen critical mineral and battery supply chains while supporting economic growth and decarbonization objectives. Recognizing these opportunities, the City has made strategic investments to prepare employment lands and supporting infrastructure for future development. The City's Employment Land Strategy has guided efforts to identify, protect, and enhance strategically located industrial lands capable of accommodating major investment projects. Concurrently, the City continues to invest in municipal infrastructure, including water, wastewater, transportation, and servicing improvements, to ensure development-ready sites are available for industrial and employment growth. These initiatives reflect a long-term commitment to supporting economic expansion and ensuring Greater Sudbury remains competitive in attracting new investment.

As the IESO develops regional demand forecasts and future electricity infrastructure plans, we encourage consideration of anticipated growth and development opportunities in addition to historical electricity consumption patterns. Historical demand alone may not adequately reflect the transformative investment potential emerging across Northern Ontario. Municipal planning initiatives, employment lands development, infrastructure investments, population growth objectives, and active investment attraction efforts provide important indicators of future electricity needs and should form part of regional planning considerations.

It is equally important that future electricity planning consider not only the volume of anticipated demand but also the geographic distribution of growth. Greater Sudbury's large and diverse municipal geography contains several strategic employment areas and development corridors that will require sufficient electrical capacity to support future industrial and commercial investment opportunities.

Ensuring a reliable and resilient electricity system will be essential to supporting continued economic development, enhancing regional competitiveness, enabling housing and employment growth, and capitalizing on the significant opportunities emerging within the mining, critical minerals, and advanced manufacturing sectors. Proactive electricity planning today will help ensure that future investment opportunities can proceed without infrastructure-related constraints.

We appreciate the opportunity to contribute to this important planning process and look forward to continued collaboration with the Independent Electricity System Operator, Hydro One, Greater Sudbury Utilities, and regional partners as we work together to support sustainable growth and long-term economic success throughout Greater Sudbury and the Sudbury-Algoma region.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Anna Frattini
1st Vice Chair
On behalf of the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation (GSDC) Board

