



Notice of Completion of Draft Environmental Study Report

InnPower Municipal Transformer Station and Hydro One 230-kilovolt Line project

March 31, 2025

To address the increasing electricity demand in the Town of Innisfil and parts of the City of Barrie, InnPower and Hydro One have completed the draft Environmental Study Report (ESR) for the InnPower MTS and Hydro One 230-kilovolt (kV) Line project. The project involves the construction of a new Municipal Transformer Station (MTS) and the replacement of approximately six kilometers of an existing 115-kV transmission line with a new 230-kV line in the existing corridor between Barrie Transformer Station (TS) and the proposed InnPower MTS in the City of Barrie. Contingent on necessary approval and agreements, the proposed project is expected to enhance capacity and reliability for the Town of Innisfil and parts of the City of Barrie once completed.

The draft ESR is now available for public comment and review. The draft ESR summarizes the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process, information collected, consultation undertaken, and potential environmental effects and mitigation measures planned.

Next steps and providing your input

The draft ESR will be available for a 30-day public review and comment period from April 4 and run until May 5. The draft ESR can be viewed electronically on Hydro One's website at HydroOne.com/InnPower.

Written comments or questions on the draft ESR must be received by Hydro One **no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 5, 2025** to receive consideration and must be addressed to:

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483 Bay Street, North Tower, 14th Floor, Toronto, ON M5G 2P5
1.877.345.6799 (Community Relations hotline)
Community.Relations@HydroOne.com

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Where to find the draft ESR:

A hard copy of the draft ESR is available at the following location:

Barrie Public Library – Holly Library
555 Essa Rd Unit #17
Barrie, ON L4N 6A9



HydroOne.com/InnPower



See reverse for map

During the review period, InnPower and Hydro One will respond to and make best efforts to resolve any issues raised by concerned parties, following which, InnPower and Hydro One will finalize the ESR and file it with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP).

A request may be made to the MECP for a Section 16 Order (i.e. requiring a higher level of study or Comprehensive EA approval before being able to proceed) or that conditions be imposed (e.g., require further studies), however; only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Indigenous and treaty rights. The MECP will not consider requests on other grounds.

Requests should include the requester's contact information, as well as specify what kind of order is being requested (request for conditions or Comprehensive EA), how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts on Indigenous and treaty rights, and any information in support of the statements in the request.



The request should be sent in writing or by email to:

**Minister of Environment,
Conservation and Parks**
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor,
Toronto ON M7A 2J3
Minister.MECP@Ontario.ca

**Director, Environmental
Assessment Branch**
Ministry of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Avenue West,
1st Floor, Toronto ON M4V 1P5
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Requests should also be copied to Hydro One per the contact information provided on the front page. Please visit the Ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under Section 16 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* at: ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order.

If no Section 16 Order requests are submitted during the comment period, the project will then be considered acceptable to proceed as outlined in the ESR. Should this project move forward, InnPower and Hydro One will continue to work with community members as design and construction planning continue.