## **IESO Engagement**

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**Subject:** Regional Electricity Planning in Niagara

Electricity planning activities have begun for the Niagara Region. A public webinar is scheduled for August 3 at 3:00 p.m. to provide an overview of the electricity planning process, the needs that have been identified for this area, and to seek input on the draft Scoping Assessment report to determine the most appropriate planning approach going forward to meet the needs.

**To register email <u>engagement@ieso.ca.</u>** A draft copy of the report will be shared for review in advance of the webinar and written comments will be invited until August 17.

All interested parties are invited to participate including, but not limited to, local municipalities, Indigenous communities, businesses, stakeholders and members of the general public. Visit the <u>engagement webpage</u> for more information.

The Niagara Region is defined by electrical infrastructure boundaries, and the area includes the City of Port Colborne, City of Welland, City of Thorold, City of Niagara Falls, Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, City of St. Catharines, Town of Fort Erie, Town of Lincoln, Township of West Lincoln, Town of Grimsby, Township of Wainfleet, and Town of Pelham. The region also includes the Indigenous communities of the Mississaugas of the New Credit, Oneida Nation of the Thames and Six Nations of the Grand River (Six Nations Elected Council and HCCC), and MNO Niagara Region Métis Council.

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) will work with electricity sector partners (transmitters and local distribution companies), communities, stakeholders, and other interested parties to help define the specific needs and explore possible solutions though the regional electricity planning process. The Scoping Assessment Report is the first step of this engagement process and your feedback will be important to help shape the electricity planning activities that will be undertaken in your region.

The last cycle of electricity planning concluded in 2017 and determined that the existing electricity infrastructure was adequate to meet the region's emerging needs and regional coordination was not required.

To view relevant documents and learn more about the Niagara Region visit <a href="https://www.ieso.ca/en/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/Southwest-Ontario/Niagara">https://www.ieso.ca/en/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/Southwest-Ontario/Niagara</a>

For more information about the regional planning process, please visit <a href="http://www.ieso.ca/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/About-Regional-Planning/How-the-Process-Works">http://www.ieso.ca/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/About-Regional-Planning/How-the-Process-Works</a>

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