

# Bulk Planning Webinar – *Feedback Form*

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Following the November 23<sup>rd</sup> public webinar on Formalizing the Integrated Bulk System Planning Process, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from participants on questions posed during the presentation.

The presentation can be found [here](#).

**Please provide feedback by December 14, 2018 to [engagement@ieso.ca](mailto:engagement@ieso.ca).** Please use subject header: *2018 Bulk Planning Webinar Feedback*. To promote transparency, this feedback will be posted on the [Bulk Planning engagement page](#) unless otherwise requested by the sender.

Feedback received will help inform IESO’s planning processes and further discussions at future engagement meetings. The Project Team will work to consider and incorporate comments as appropriate and post responses on the engagement webpage in January 2019.

Thank you for your time.

Topic	Question	Feedback
Bulk Planning Process	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does the high level bulk planning process align with your needs and interpretation of the process?</li> <li>2. Are there activities that are not required in bulk planning or should be modified from what was presented?</li> <li>3. What additional activities, tasks, information loop backs should be considered?</li> </ol>	<p>Our overriding recommendation is that Ontario’s electricity system should contribute to climate change mitigation. With this in mind, we strongly support increased use of wind and solar power. In fact, we would like to see the province’s electricity provided by 100 per cent renewable sources by mid-century or sooner.</p> <p>Because climate change is such a pressing issue — and renewables are a key solution — we would like to see within the bulk planning process a separate initiative that plans for greater uptake of solar and wind.</p>
Transparency of Information	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What bulk planning information/publications from the IESO do you currently rely on? How do you make use of this information? How could these products be updated to better meet your needs? Please provide as much detail as possible, including quantitative and qualitative details that are most valuable to you.</li> <li>2. What information would you like to see included in an annual report? In a triannual report?</li> <li>3. What information or quantitative data would be of value for guiding capacity, energy, ancillary services, transmission and/or other investments?</li> </ol>	<p>In the annual and triannual reports, we would like to see an assessment of the province’s progress on renewable energy planning. We would like to know how Ontario is doing, relative to other provinces, in preparing for greater renewables integration.</p> <p>To promote economic efficiency, we would like to see a comparison of projected generation costs for various power sources, including nuclear, natural gas, solar and wind. This data should be based on full life-cycle analyses. As the Pickering nuclear station is nearing the end of its useful life, we would be especially interested in seeing projected costs for this facility, including expenditures associated with decommissioning. We would also like to see projected costs for importation of hydro power from Quebec.</p>

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Engagement	1. At what stage should communities and stakeholders provide input? For example, when needs are identified, during the acquisition stage, at the implementation of solutions stage?	To maximize opportunities for public engagement, we would suggest stakeholders be allowed to provide input at all the stages listed. This would likely result in enhanced transparency, greater public support for policy decisions and better outcomes overall.

**General Comments/Feedback:**

The importance of addressing climate change cannot be overstated. Ontario made huge strides when it phased out coal-fired electricity and built a strong wind and solar sector. Distributed renewable power has shown itself to be cost-effective and reliable. A key goal of the bulk planning process should be to ensure its continued expansion.

Thank you for conducting this feedback process.