

Feedback Form

Transmitter Selection Framework: Indigenous Communities – Focused Engagement Session #2 – March 27, 2024

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Following the March 27, 2024 engagement webinar, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from First Nations and Indigenous groups, and stakeholders on the items discussed during the webinar. The webinar presentation and recording can be accessed from the [engagement web page](#).

Please submit feedback to engagement@ieso.ca by April 19, 2024. If you wish to provide confidential feedback, please submit as a separate document, marked "Confidential". Otherwise, to promote transparency, feedback that is not marked "Confidential" will be posted on the engagement webpage.

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<p>Do you have feedback on the IESO’s Bulk Transmission System Planning process, e.g., in terms of opportunities to be informed or to participate in the development of plans or plan alternatives, and/or in terms of the scope and detail of transmission recommendations?</p>	<p>Utilize VPPs in conjunction with DERs allows more storage as need to offset the demand for a bigger cleaner and smarter electricity grid. More promotion and change to electrification would reduce energy needs but require more electricity.</p>

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<p>Do you have feedback regarding the proposed TSF eligibility considerations? Specifically, as it pertains to:</p> <p>New Facilities vs. Upgrades: New facilities would be eligible</p> <p>Network vs. Connection Facilities: Facilities that benefit all electricity ratepayers would be eligible</p> <p>Estimated Facility Cost: Facilities with an estimated cost of \$100M or greater would be eligible for competitive procurement</p> <p>Facility Size: Facilities at a nominal voltage of 200 kV and greater would be eligible</p> <p>Timing and System Reliability Need: The minimum lead-time for a reliability-driven facility would be 6 years to the recommended in-service date</p>	<p>Take the time needed every little bit of work and partnership building requires trust and is a step in the right direction. Generate electricity where you need it, then you don’t need to transmit it any great distance; hence avoiding transmission losses.</p>

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Are there additional eligibility considerations not captured in the initial considerations that the IESO should consider?	Policies on carbon pricing systems must be more transparent and fair. Commit to try and decarbonize operations on the receiving end, the load to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

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From the perspective of Indigenous communities and stakeholders, how can the IESO better enable you to effectively participate in IESO transmission planning process?	Provide more funding related research and development that supports high environmental performance, support the generation of renewable resources and ownership. Take Indigenous partnerships seriously. Planning process requires Indigenous input, saves time, and better use of money, keeping away from the court room. Avoid at all costs creating division amongst FN communities, if not rights-driven and respect to sharing wealth, plans will not work.

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Do you have any suggestions for future topics for Focused Engagement Sessions or one-on-one discussions?	New business lines such as storage and geothermal innovation

General Comments/Feedback

Water from the Indigenous perspective is the blood of Mother Earth, must be honest about how much water is being utilized and plans for water use. Support the building of solar power plants in FN communities. On another level, we need to be at an advantage, at some level, historically we have been at a disadvantage, we cannot once again be left worse off if transmission and bulk planning are to be successful. Inclusivity is the key, just like the water it brings life to everything it crosses. Our population is young and needs to see a future that represents transformative change. Appreciate the opportunities to participate and IESO needs to find ways to bring your efforts to the youth, so you can receive their input. Investors are holding back because of both real and perceived risks.