Feedback Form

Regional Electricity Planning in the GTA East

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Following the GTA East electricity planning engagement webinar held on July 16, 2025, 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 August 6, 2025.

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What additional information, if any should be incorporated in the proposed scenarios?	Energy conservation must be the central focus of all planning scenarios. In addition to SaveON Energy programs, IESO should take a proactive role in driving energy efficiency by working closely with Local Distribution Companies (LDCs) to implement programs across residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial sectors. This ensures that conservation is valued as a resource, deferring/reducing the need for implementing expensive infrastructure
How can the proposed scenarios best capture the range and uncertainty of growth potential while informing near-term infrastructure investments?	The proposed scenarios should include a diverse set ranging from low growth, high efficiency pathways to high growth, rapid electrification trajectories. Each scenario should reflect varying assumptions around key drivers such as electrification rates, economic development, policy shifts and technology adoption.
What areas of concern or interest about electricity should be considered as part of the planning process?	Explore renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, biomass, district energy systems and waste-to-energy systems to supplement the grid. Energy efficiency and demand side management should also be embedded as key levers in all scenarios and not treated as optional. Additionally, apply a climate resilience lens to ensure that new generating stations, transmission, and distribution infrastructure are designed and built to withstand extreme weather events.
What information is important to provide throughout the engagement? Does the proposed Engagement Plan provide sufficient scope and opportunities for input? What other engagement activities or methods should be considered?	To ensure broad and inclusive input, online surveys and polls with an informational video on the planning process should be available. Additionally interactive workshops or community open houses should be offered for residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial consumers.