Feedback Form

Regional Electricity Planning in the Peterborough to Kingston Region – July 29, 2026

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Following the Peterborough to Kingston regional planning webinar held on July 29, 2026, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback on identified needs and options screening for the region. A copy of the presentation as well as recording of the session can be accessed from the engagement webpage.

Please submit feedback to engagement@ieso.ca by August 12, 2026.

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What feedback do you have on the screening of wire and non-wire options?	The City of Belleville supports the continued evaluation of both wire and non-wire solutions to address the region's forecasted growth and emerging capacity constraints. We agree that maintaining a broad range of options at this stage is appropriate given the uncertainty associated with electrification, economic development, and future load growth.

	The City supports further assessment of transmission reinforcements, battery energy storage, distributed energy resources (DERs), demand response, and conservation measures. We encourage the IESO to evaluate these options not only on technical and economic criteria, but also on their ability to strengthen community resilience, support economic development, and provide flexibility to accommodate future growth
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What additional information should be considered in the evaluation of wire and non-wire options?	The City recommends that the evaluation consider: • Current and planned employment land development and investment attraction opportunities. • Major industrial, commercial, institutional, and infrastructure projects that may significantly affect regional electricity demand. • Municipal housing growth forecasts and intensification objectives. • Climate adaptation and resilience considerations, including the increasing frequency of extreme weather events. • Opportunities to leverage battery storage, distributed generation, and other local energy solutions to improve system reliability and defer capital investments where appropriate. • The economic development impacts associated with various solution options, including the ability to support future business attraction and expansion. The City would also welcome additional information regarding current system utilization. Understanding whether infrastructure is currently operating below capacity, approaching capacity, or exceeding planning thresholds would provide valuable context when evaluating the timing and urgency of proposed investments. lick or tap here to enter text.
Are there any additional information that should be provided in future engagements to help understand municipal perspectives and insights?	The City appreciates the engagement undertaken to date and supports the continued use of a transparent and collaborative planning process. Future engagement would benefit from: • More localized information regarding forecast growth assumptions and infrastructure needs. • Mapping that illustrates identified constraints and the geographic implications of potential solutions.

	• Clear explanations of how stakeholder and municipal feedback has influenced planning decisions. • Greater detail regarding the costs, benefits, timing, and implementation requirements of options under consideration. • Ongoing coordination between the Peterborough to Kingston IRRP and the Eastern Ontario Bulk Planning Study to provide municipalities with a clear understanding of how the two planning processes intersect. The City believes that continued collaboration between municipalities, utilities, Indigenous communities, and the IESO will help ensure that future investments align with both regional electricity needs and local growth priorities. Click or tap here to enter text.

General Comments/Feedback

The City of Belleville recognizes the importance of proactive electricity planning to support anticipated growth, electrification, and long-term economic development across Eastern Ontario. The updated demand forecast and identified infrastructure needs reinforce the importance of planning now to ensure the region remains positioned to support future residential, commercial, and industrial growth.

The City is encouraged by the recognition of the Belleville-Napanee corridor as a strategically important area within both the Regional Planning process and the Eastern Ontario Bulk Planning Study. Proposed transmission investments and opportunities for energy storage and local generation may play an important role in supporting reliability, resilience, and economic growth throughout the region.

Belleville looks forward to continuing to work with the IESO and regional partners to ensure future electricity investments support growth readiness, investment attraction, community resilience, and long-term prosperity.