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Electricity planning activities have begun for the GTA North (York Region) Region. [Register](#) in advance to participate in the upcoming webinar on September 12 at 10 a.m. The webinar will provide attendees with 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.

The draft report and presentation materials will be made available in advance of the webinar.

All interested parties are invited to participate including, but not limited to, local municipalities, Indigenous communities, businesses, stakeholders and members of the general public. For more information, visit the GTA North Region engagement [webpage](#).

The GTA North Region (York Region) roughly comprises of municipalities in the Regional municipality of York, including the Cities of Markham, Richmond Hill and Vaughan, the Towns of Aurora, East Gwillimbury, Georgina, Newmarket, Whitchurch-Stouffville, and the Township of King. Since the electricity system was not developed along municipal boundaries, customers in some areas near the boundaries of York Region are supplied from infrastructure outside this region. Some customers in Durham and Simcoe counties, and the City of Toronto are supplied from the York Region infrastructure.

Indigenous communities in or near the region or that have an interest in the area include:

- Alderville First Nation
- Beausoleil First Nation
- Curve Lake First Nation
- Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation
- Hiawatha First Nation
- Kawartha Nishnawbe
- Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation
- Rama First Nation
- Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

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 through 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 planning cycle was completed in 2020 with the release of the [Integrated Regional Resource Plan](#) (IRRP) in February 2020 and the supporting Appendices in March 2020. Subsequent to the IRRP, a [Regional Infrastructure Plan](#) (RIP) led by Hydro One was completed in October 2020.

To view relevant documents and learn more visit the GTA North regional planning [webpage](#).

For more information about the regional planning process, please visit the [regional planning overview webpage](#).

Regards,

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