

May 31, 2017

Chestermere Substation Interconnection Notice of project approval

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the Chestermere Substation Interconnection. The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved this project for construction on May 26, 2017.

Next steps

The AUC has selected the preferred site, site E, as the location for AltaLink to construct the new Chestermere Substation. To reduce the visual impact of the substation to nearby residents, AltaLink has committed to installing slats in the chainlink fence on the north, south and west sides of the site.

We plan to begin construction in April 2018 and anticipate it will take approximately four months to complete. AltaLink will work to minimize disturbance during project activities, including restricting working hours and performing reclamation as needed near the project site.

Depending on where you are in relation to the project, you may see or hear:

- noise and construction crews
- construction of a new substation
- transmission structure construction
- wire stringing on the transmission structures
- telecommunications tower construction

AUC approval

When the AUC approves a transmission project, it grants AltaLink Permits to construct transmission facilities and Licenses to operate those facilities. The Permits and Licenses for this project can be viewed on the AUC website at:

<https://www2.auc.ab.ca/Proceeding21973/SitePages/ViewDispositions.aspx>

To view the above link, you will need to log in to your eFiling account. If you do not have an account, select 'New Account' in the Login box and follow the steps onscreen. Please note any questions or concerns regarding account creation and management should be directed towards the AUC at info@auc.ab.ca.

If you have any issues accessing these Permits and Licences, please contact us at the details below and we will mail copies of the documents to you.

Project background

The Chestermere Substation Interconnection project involves construction of a new substation located within the City of Chestermere. The project scope includes:

- building a new substation (to be called Chestermere Substation)
- building a telecommunications structure that will be approximately 20 to 30 metres high within the Chestermere Substation fenceline
- adding two new 138/25 kilovolt (kV) transformers, three new 138 kV circuit breakers and ten new 25 kV circuit breakers within two switchgear buildings
- removing and modifying portions of an existing transmission line
- adding one new 25 kV circuit breaker to the Turbo Balzac Substation

Maps of the selected location, site E, can be found at the website listed below.

FortisAlberta has requested these upgrades to the transmission system to help meet the need for increased capacity and to ensure the reliability of the electric system in the area.

Contact us

We are available to gather any further input you have or address any questions or concerns. Please contact us at stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca or 1-877-267-1453.

Further information about this project and maps are available at www.altalink.ca/projects/chestermeresubstation.

Sincerely,



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