

September 12, 2016

Fortis Wainwright Transmission Reinforcement: Notice of application filing

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the Fortis Wainwright Transmission Reinforcement project. We submitted our facilities application for the project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on August 31, 2016.

The application includes some route options that have changed from those identified in our March 2016 project information package. The routes submitted to the AUC include a preferred route, a preferred variant section, an alternate route and an alternate variant route. If the project is approved, only one route will be constructed.

Route adjustments:

Based on continued discussions with stakeholders and further analysis, we have made route adjustments since our March 2016 project update.

Preferred and preferred variant routes

We have adjusted the route segment D3-D7, which angles across the southeast corner of SE-6-45-8-W4 in order to minimize impacts to adjacent agricultural lands. This segment was re-designated as part of the preferred route. The route segment D3-D5-D7, which locates the transmission line in undeveloped road allowances, has been applied for as the preferred variant route.

Alternate route

The alternate route was adjusted to share the same alignment as the preferred route from A1-C5, where it turns north and then west along Township Road 452.

Alternate Variant Route

The stakeholder suggested route segment C1-B5 was investigated and determined to be a viable route alternative. This new segment along with a portion of the previous alternate route were designated as the alternate variant route.

Routing no longer under consideration

Routes that are no longer under consideration are shown in light grey on the attached map. The segment A1-A5-B5 was previously part of the alternate route in our March 2016 information package, but has been removed due to higher residential and visual impacts. Please note that if you are on a route that is no longer under consideration you will not receive any further information regarding this project. If you would like to continue receiving information on this project please let us know.

Please see the attached map for a detailed overview of the routing included in our facilities application and outlined above.

The application

The application can be viewed on the AUC's website at www.auc.ab.ca. To access the application, click on the 'eFiling System Login' button on the left side of the page and log in to your eFiling account. If you do not have an account, select 'New Account' and follow the steps onscreen.

Please note that any questions or concerns regarding account creation and management should be directed towards the AUC at info@auc.ab.ca.

Once your account has been created and you have successfully logged in, enter 21857 into the 'Go to...' search bar on the left side of the page to locate the application. Alternatively, you can navigate to 'Find', click 'Proceedings' and enter "Wainwright 51S" into the 'Description' search bar. If you have any issues accessing the application, please contact us and we will mail a copy of the application to you.

Next steps

The AUC will review the application and can approve, approve with conditions or deny the project. The AUC may also host a hearing regarding the project. To learn more about the AUC process and how you can become involved please visit www.auc.ab.ca.

We will notify you of the AUC's decision regarding the project. If the project is approved, construction could begin in fall 2017 and we anticipate it will take approximately 6 months to complete. We will provide more information regarding the construction process as the project progresses.

The project

The Fortis Wainwright Transmission Reinforcement includes:

- building approximately 26 kilometres of new 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line
- installing two new breakers and other associated equipment at the Wainwright Substation
- expanding the fence 15 metres to the north and two metres to the west at the Wainwright Substation on Altalink owned land

Contact us

We are available address any questions or concerns. Please contact us at stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca or 1-877-269-5903. You can also view all project materials at www.altalink.ca/projects.

Sincerely,



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