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526L Transmission Line Relocation Project approval and update

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the 526L Transmission Line Relocation. We submitted an application for the project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on May 29, 2017. The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved this project for construction on July 25, 2017. There have also been changes to the project and we would like to provide you with an update.

Next steps

We plan to begin construction in November 2017 and anticipate it will take approximately six months to complete.

Where construction activities are required to take place on private property, we will contact you in advance to discuss the specific dates and times we will require access to your property.

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

- noise and construction crews
- selective tree and vegetation clearing
- transmission structure construction
- wire stringing on the transmission structures

AUC approval

When the AUC approves a transmission project, it grants AltaLink Permits and Licences. The Permits and Licences for this project can be viewed on the AUC website at:

<https://www2.auc.ab.ca/Proceeding22696/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.

Update: Minor modification to the approved transmission line alignment

After further engineering and field verification, AltaLink is proposing to modify the alignment of a portion of the approved 526L transmission line relocation project. This proposed modification, located in NW-10-60-12-W5, is approximately four kilometres northwest of the town of Whitecourt.

The proposed modification to the approved transmission line alignment was developed to avoid constructing the transmission line on steep terrain. The new proposed alignment will require the same right-of-way width as the approved alignment. Please see the included map for details.

These changes are not anticipated to impact the overall cost or schedule of the project but will allow for the transmission line route to be constructed and maintained on safer, more stable terrain.

Project background

Part of the existing 526L transmission line is near the edge of an eroding river bank on the Sakwatamau River. It must be relocated to maintain the safety and reliability of the electric system in the area. The project involves:

- removing approximately two kilometres of existing transmission line and rebuilding the line further away from the banks of the Sakwatamau River

Contact us

Please contact us at stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca or 1-877-267-1453. Further information about this project and maps are available at <http://www.altalink.ca/projects/view/257/526l-transmission-line-relocation>.

Sincerely,



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