

October 18, 2021

**113L Transmission Line Rebuild
Notice of project approval**

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the 113L Transmission Line Rebuild project. The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved this project for construction on October 7, 2021.

Pre-construction and vegetation management activities will begin this month. Construction activities are anticipated to begin in January 2022 and be completed by January 2023. We will provide updates on future construction activities as the project progresses.

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

- noise and construction crews
- selective tree and vegetation clearing, including logging equipment and trucks
- transmission structure construction and salvage
- wire stringing on the transmission structures

Upcoming vegetation management activities and closures

As part of the approved project, AltaLink has acquired a Vegetation Control Easement (VCE) for certain locations along the transmission line. The VCE allows us to remove vegetation that is in danger of falling onto or touching the transmission line, which could cause a power outage or a fire.

November through December 2021: Vegetation management activities are anticipated to begin on November 1 and continue until the end of the year. Prior to removal, all vegetation will be field verified by our crews. Cut trees will be taken away from the project area and vegetation debris, including branches, will be safely burned. These vegetation burnings will be highly controlled during safe conditions and follow strict safety protocols. During vegetation removal, you may see logging equipment and trucks along the right-of-way and near the VCE.

Late November 2021 through 2022: Recreational trails in the area will be temporarily impacted for up to two weeks at a time during vegetation management work. Signs will be posted in the area to direct people during that time. Impacted areas include the Heart Creek Provincial Recreation Area, Powerline Trail and the Trans Canada Trail.

January 2022 to January 2023: To accommodate activities like equipment being transported to and from site, there will be intermittent lane closures along Peaks Drive near Powerline Trail. These closures will occur occasionally for approximately five to 10 minutes at a time and are anticipated to begin in 2022.

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/Proceeding26458/SitePages/Home.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 existing 138 kilovolt (kV) 113L transmission line has reached the end of its lifecycle and is being rebuilt to ensure a reliable supply of power is available for years to come. The project involves rebuilding approximately 23 kilometres of the overhead portion of the 113L transmission line between the Spray Substation to the Kananaskis River.

Contact us

We are available to address any questions or concerns you may have. Please contact us at stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca or 1-877-267-1453. Further information about this project and maps are available at altalink.ca/projects.

Sincerely,

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