

December 3, 2020

Westlock Telecommunications Tower Replacement Notice of application filing and approval

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the Westlock Telecommunications Tower Replacement project. We submitted an application for the project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on November 5, 2020. The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved this project for construction on November 9, 2020.

Next steps

We plan to begin construction in spring of 2021, and anticipate construction to be complete in summer of 2021.

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

- noise and construction crews
- salvaging of existing telecommunications tower
- construction of new telecommunications tower
- work at an existing substation

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/Proceeding26053/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

AltaLink has determined that an upgrade to the existing telecommunications tower at the Westlock Algonquin Power I318S Substation is required. The telecommunications tower has reached the end of its life and is proposed to be replaced as part of AltaLink's ongoing maintenance program. The proposed telecommunications upgrade will allow us to maintain the safety and reliability of the electric system in the area.

The proposed project involves constructing a new telecommunications tower at the Westlock Algonquin Power I318S Substation in SW-1-63-2-W5. This will include removing the existing 24.4 metre wood pole telecommunications tower inside the substation, and installing one new self-supporting tower.

The new telecommunications tower will:

- be a self-supported steel lattice structure
- be approximately 31.5 metres tall with the antenna and lightning rod
- have a triangular base with each side measuring approximately 1.6 metres
- comply with Transport Canada's requirements regarding painting and lighting

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:

<http://www.altalink.ca/projects/view/347/westlock-telecommunications-tower-replacement>

Sincerely,

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