

August 11, 2022

Fincastle Substation SmartValve™ Pilot Project Notice of application filing and approval

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the Fincastle Substation SmartValve™ Pilot Project. We submitted an application for the project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on July 22, 2022. The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved this project for construction on August 2, 2022.

Next steps

We plan to begin construction in August 22, 2022, and anticipate construction to be complete in September 2022.

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

- noise and construction crews
- replacement of an existing structure outside the substation
- 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/Proceeding27535/SitePages/Home.aspx>.

To access the application, click on the 'eFiling System Login' button on the top 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 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 Filing number 27535 into the 'Go to...' search bar on the top of the page to locate the application. Alternatively, you can navigate to 'Find', click 'Proceedings' and enter "Powerflow" into the 'Description' search bar.

If you have any issues accessing the application, please contact us at the details below and we will mail a copy of the application to you.

Project background

AltaLink's Fincastle Substation is located in SW-15-10-15-W4, approximately 10.5 kilometres east of the Town of Taber. The pilot project includes:

- Temporarily installing new equipment called The Mobile SmartValve™ Unit.
- Replacing an existing structure outside of the substation with a new structure to connect the new equipment to an existing transmission line in the area.
 - The existing structure is a single circuit wooden monopole structure and approximately 15 metres tall.
 - The new structure will be an H-frame structure that is approximately 10 to 15 metres tall.

No power outages are anticipated for this work. All work will take place on AltaLink-leased land – no fence expansion is required. At the end of the pilot, the equipment will be removed.

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 <https://www.altalink.ca/projects/view/394/fincastle-substation-smartvalvetm-pilot-project>.

Sincerely,

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