

April 29, 2024

### **Big Horn Telecommunications Pole Replacement – Notice of application filing and approval**

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the Big Horn Telecommunications Pole Replacement project. We submitted an application for the project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on April 22, 2024. The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved this project for construction on April 26, 2024.

#### **Next steps**

We plan to begin construction on July 20, 2024, and anticipate construction to be complete in November 2024.

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

- noise and construction crews
- the salvage of the existing telecommunications pole and control building
- construction of the new telecommunications pole and control building
- work at the existing Big Horn Radio Site

#### **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/Proceeding28983/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](mailto:info@auc.ab.ca)

Once your account has been created and you have successfully logged in, enter Filing number 28983 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 "Big Horn" 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 has determined that the existing telecommunications pole and control building at the Big Horn Radio Site requires an upgrade. AltaLink is proposing to replace the telecommunications pole and control building as part of our ongoing equipment life-cycle maintenance program. The existing equipment has reached the end of its useful life. The proposed telecommunications upgrade will allow us to maintain the safety and reliability of the electric system in the area.

This proposed project includes:

- replacing the existing telecommunications pole inside the radio site with a new, taller pole
- replacing the existing telecommunications control building and associated equipment
- building a new fence to contain the new telecommunications pole, control building, and associated equipment

**Contact us**

We are available to address any questions or concerns you may have. Please contact us at [stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca](mailto:stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca) or 1-877-267-1453. Further information about this project and maps are available at <https://www.altalink.ca/project/big-horn-telecommunications-pole-replacement>.

Sincerely,

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