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Homestead Solar Connection Project update

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the Homestead Solar Connection Project. We submitted an application for the project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) in September 2023, and would like to provide you with an update.

The AUC reviewed our application together with Kiwetinohk Energy Corp.'s (Kiwetinohk) application for the Homestead Solar Project. Due to Kiwetinohk modifying the scope of their Homestead Solar Project, the AUC decided to close the proceeding on Kiwetinohk's application. As a result, AltaLink's application proceeding was also closed.

Kiwetinohk is in the process of re-filing their application with the modified scope. AltaLink will also re-file our application to connect Kiwetinohk's Homestead Solar Project to the grid. The scope and details of AltaLink's original project have not changed.

Project details

Kiwetinohk's proposed Homestead Solar Project is located in the Municipal District of Willow Creek, southeast of the Town of Claresholm. Kiwetinohk is proposing a new transmission line that will connect its Homestead Substation to AltaLink's existing transmission line (called 1037L).

Kiwetinohk is considering two different connection points for this new line. One of the potential connection points is in SW-13-12-27-W4 and the other is in NW-12-12-27-W4. If approved, only one of these connection points will be used. To accommodate this connection, AltaLink is proposing to:

- Modify one structure along the existing 1037L transmission line, at the connection point that is selected by Kiwetinohk and approved by the AUC
- Install approximately 400 metres of above ground optical ground wire (OPGW) between two existing structures along the 1037L
- Install new equipment on adjacent structures to accommodate the OPGW connection

Please see the attached map for more information.

Anticipated project schedule

Notify and consult with stakeholdersApril/May 2024File application with Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)June 2024Start construction if project is approvedJanuary 2026Complete constructionMarch 2026



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/project/homestead-solar-project-connection. Sincerely,

Kris Gladue Manager, Stakeholder Engagement