

NOTICE OF CHANGE TO PROPOSED UNDERTAKING AND INVITATION TO OPEN HOUSES: PROPOSED LITTLE JACKFISH RIVER HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Ontario Power Generation Inc. (OPG) has changed the scope for the Little Jackfish River Hydroelectric Project. The scope now includes the development of renewable hydroelectric power at **one generating station** at the Lower Site, the **automation of Summit Control Dam**, the construction of an approximately **200 kilometre long 230 kilovolt transmission line** that will connect the Lower Site to the provincial grid east of The Town of Nipigon, and a **44 kilovolt transmission line** that will connect the Lower Site to Summit Control Dam (the Proposed Undertaking). The generating station will have an installed capacity of about 73 megawatts and an annual output of approximately 365 gigawatt hours of energy. There is no change to the other associated facilities, including access roads, a concrete batch plant and a construction camp.



OPG is commencing environmental assessment studies for the associated transmission facilities and other scope changes. Under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*, the Proposed Undertaking remains subject to the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Waterpower Projects. OPG further expects that the Proposed Undertaking will be screened under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*. The Nipigon River System Water Management Plan is expected to require changes to incorporate the proposed generating station and modifications at Summit Control Dam. The transmission facilities will require Leave to Construct approval pursuant to section 92 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*. OPG will use the Class EA process as a basis for coordinating all of its consultation requirements for the planning stage of the Proposed Undertaking.

To share information about the changes to and details of the Proposed Undertaking, the study area for the transmission corridor, and to discuss preliminary results of various environmental studies, OPG will be hosting four open houses. The following open houses will be held from 4 – 8 p.m.:

- **June 13, 2011 at the Beardmore Community Centre, Beardmore**
- **June 14, 2011 at the Red Rock Inn, Red Rock**
- **June 15, 2011 at the Lions Hall, Armstrong**
- **June 16, 2011 at the Travelodge Airline, Madrid Room, Thunder Bay**

OPG will follow a separate process for notification and consultation with First Nations, Métis and other Aboriginal communities. Input received during consultation will be considered and included, if appropriate, into a single coordinated Environmental Report.

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Please visit us at **littlejackfish.com**. A newsletter has been posted to provide further details about the changes to the Proposed Undertaking and the proposed transmission study area.

Under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (1987) and the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number, and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this Proposed Undertaking and may be released if requested, to any person.