

Appendix G

Public Engagement Materials

Regional open house

CHANGE OF DATE

Tyndall 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission line and distribution supply centre project

Garson Community Centennial Centre

March 5, 2013

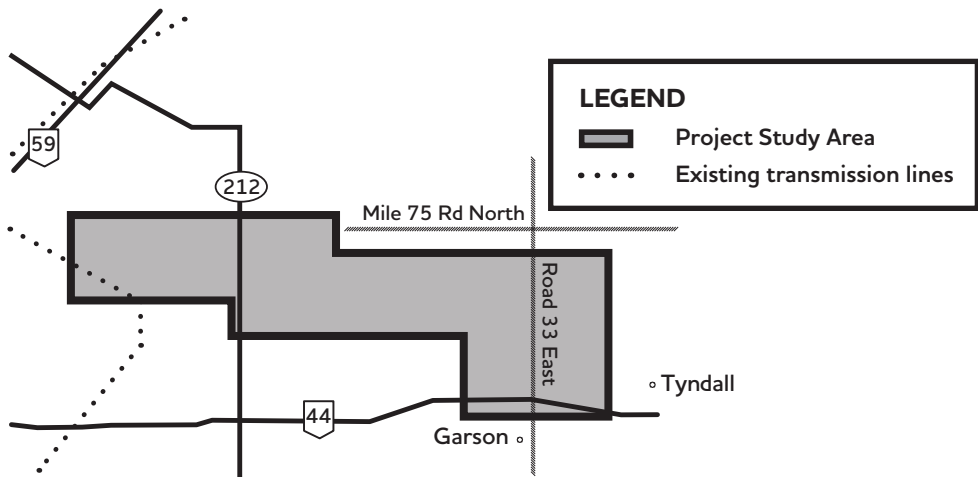
3 to 7 p.m.

11 Thompson Ave.

Garson, Manitoba

In order to ensure a reliable electrical supply to Tyndall, Garson and the surrounding region, Manitoba Hydro is proposing to construct a 115-kV transmission line and distribution supply centre near the towns of Tyndall and Garson.

You are invited to drop by our open house to share your comments or concerns about this project. Manitoba Hydro staff will be available to provide project information and answer your questions. Refreshments will be served.



If you would like more information, please contact:

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TYNDALL 115 kV TRANSMISSION LINE AND DISTRIBUTION SUPPLY CENTRE PROJECT

Project Need

To ensure reliable electrical supply to Tyndall, Garson and the surrounding region, Manitoba Hydro is proposing to construct a 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission line and distribution supply centre (DSC) near Tyndall and Garson. The risk associated with not proceeding with this project is extended outages during peak loading conditions in the above-mentioned areas.

Project Description

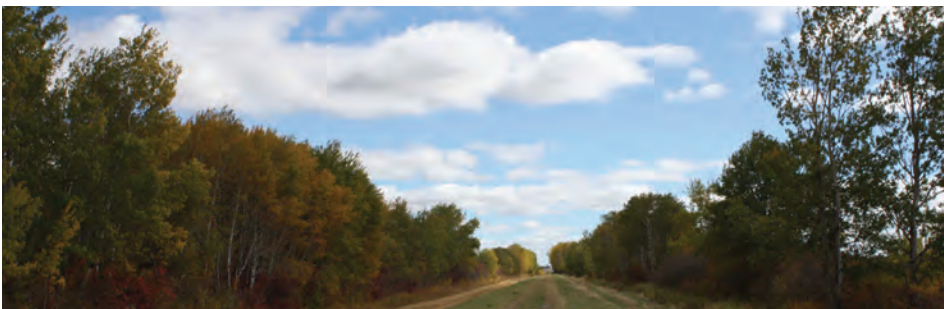
The proposed project will involve the installation of approximately nine kilometres of 115-kV transmission line from the proposed tapping location at the Transcona to Selkirk 115-kV line (TS44) to the proposed DSC. The project also includes the construction of a DSC.

The Tyndall DSC will facilitate decommissioning of sub-transmission line 13 as well as Garson Station.

Project Location

The proposed Tyndall 115-kV Transmission Line and DSC is located in the rural municipalities of St Clements and Brokenhead, north of Provincial Trunk Highway (PTH) 44 and as illustrated on the Project Area Map.

The proposed DSC would be located between the communities of Tyndall and Garson.



Environmental Assessment

The development of the proposed DSC and transmission lines will require a Class 2 licence under *The Environment Act* (Manitoba). The environmental assessment for the project includes characterization of the environment, identifying potential effects on people and the environment, and determining ways to avoid or reduce potential adverse effects while enhancing beneficial effects. The environmental assessment, including the public engagement process, will be documented in an environmental assessment report which will be submitted to Manitoba Conservation in application for the *Environment Act* licence.

Public Engagement Process

The public engagement process for the proposed Tyndall 115-kV Transmission Line and DSC will include two rounds of engagement. The engagement process will include discussions with key parties including local landowners, First Nations, the MMF, municipal leadership and stakeholders. Information gathered during the engagement process will assist in the identification of a preferred route that is a balance of technical, biophysical, financial and socio-economic considerations.

Project Facts

The project includes approximately 9 kilometres of 115-kV transmission line and a new DSC.

- Public engagement process:
 - Round 1: March 2013
 - Round 2: April 2013
- Environmental Assessment Report scheduled to be submitted in July 2013
- Planned in-service date of October 2014

Project Timeline

Round 1

The intent of Round 1 is to:

- introduce the Project;
- present the alternative routes;
- answer questions;
- identify and document concerns; and
- document input for routing decisions.

Round 2

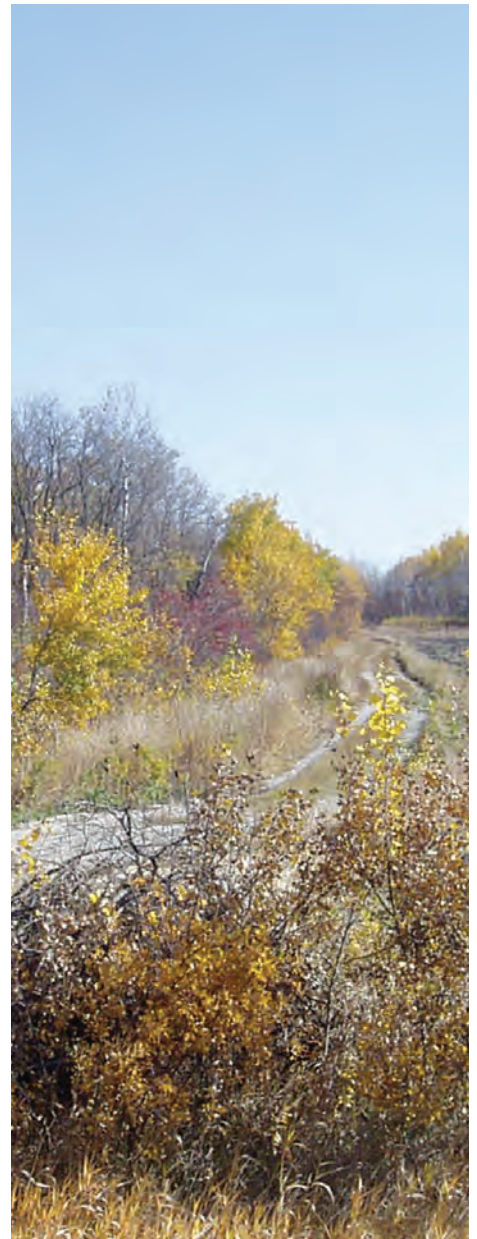
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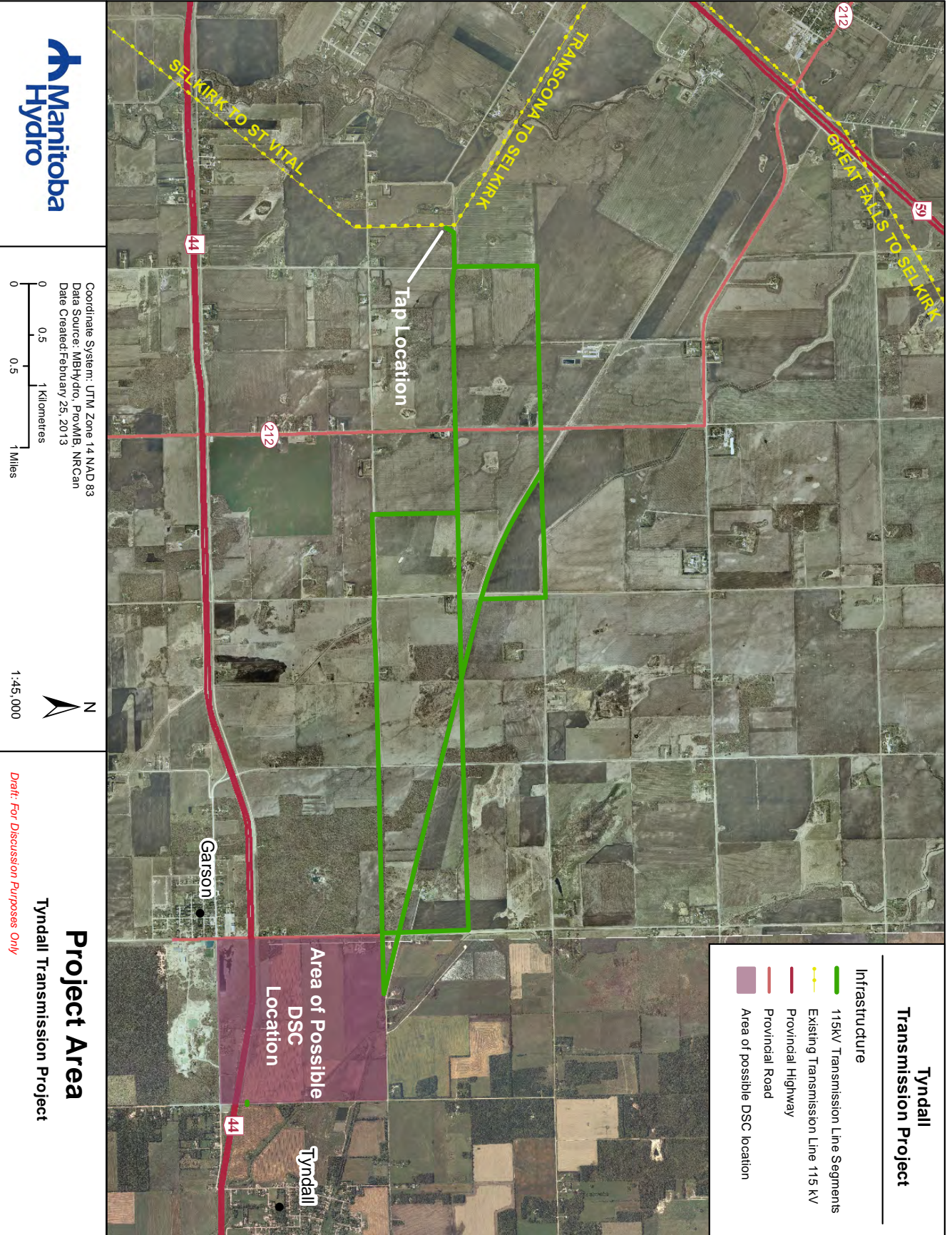
- present the Preferred Route;
- answer questions;
- identify and document any outstanding concerns; and
- provide an opportunity to discuss potential effects and possible mitigation measures to minimize effects.

Next Steps

- Receipt of licence.
- Construction.
- In-service date.

We are here.



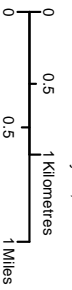


**Tyndall
Transmission Project**

- Infrastructure**
- 115kV Transmission Line Segments
 - - - Existing Transmission Line 115 kV
 - Provincial Highway
 - Provincial Road
 - Area of possible DSC location



Coordinate System: UTM Zone 14 NAD 83
 Data Source: MBHydro, Pro/MB, NRCan
 Date Created: February 25, 2013



Project Area

Tyndall Transmission Project

Date: For Discussion Purposes Only

Public Open House

Manitoba Hydro would welcome your comments related to the proposed Tyndall 115-kV Transmission Line and DSC project. We invite you to participate in a public open house, which will be held on Tuesday, March 5 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Garson Community Centennial Centre located at 11 Thompson Avenue in Garson. Manitoba Hydro staff will be on hand to provide project information and answer your questions. Feel free to drop in at any time during the open house. Refreshments will be served.

We Want to Hear From You

We would like to hear from you. There are a number of ways you can participate in the review of this project and provide your input:

- Public open houses.
- Comment sheets available at open houses.
- Or, contact us directly.

Questions?

Please contact:

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Regional Open House coming to your area

to discuss

Tyndall 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission line and distribution supply centre (DSC) project

To ensure a reliable electrical supply to Tyndall, Garson and the surrounding region, Manitoba Hydro is proposing to construct a 115-kV transmission line and DSC near Tyndall and Garson.

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Garson Community Centre

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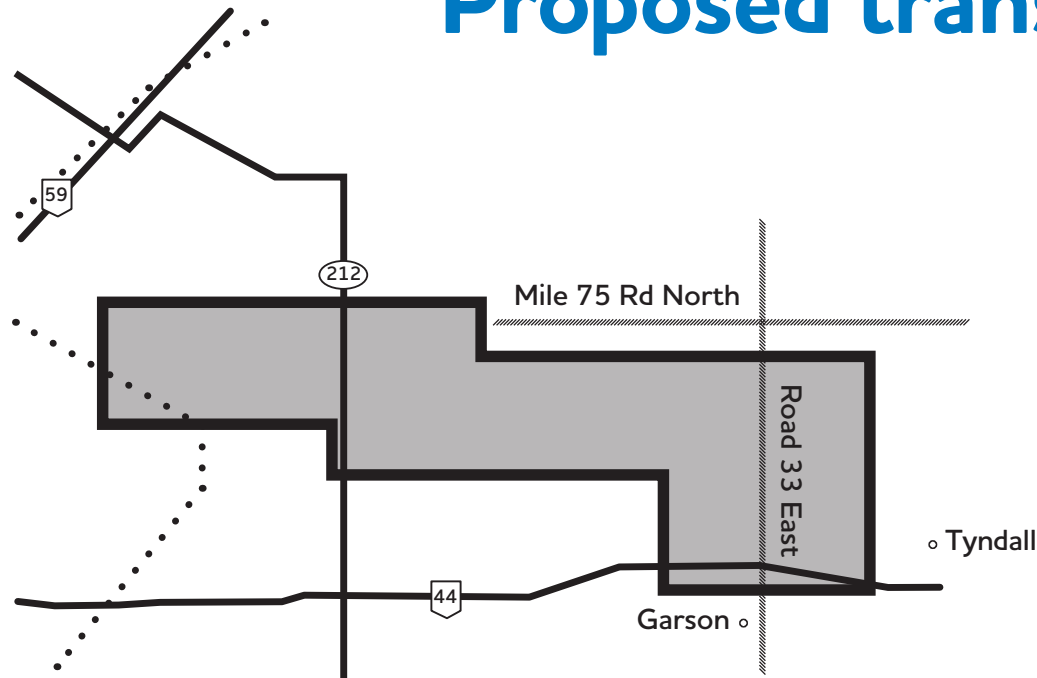
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Proposed transmission project



LEGEND

-  Project Study Area
-  Existing transmission lines

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2013 02 08

Chief [REDACTED]
Brokenhead Ojibway Nation (261)
P.O. Box 180
Scanterbury MB R0E 1W0

Dear Chief [REDACTED],

Re: Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project

Manitoba Hydro would like to meet with you to discuss the proposed Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project. The purpose of the meeting is to share information, answer questions, and identify any concerns regarding the proposed project.

The Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project consists of the design and construction of a new 115 kV transmission line from an existing 115 kV live to a new Distribution Supply Center located near Tyndall, MB. The project is a Class 2 development under the *Classes of Development Regulation of The Environment Act* (Manitoba) and will require the appropriate environmental licence.

A representative from Manitoba Hydro will be in contact with you in the near future to coordinate a meeting. In the interim, if you require any further information, please contact me at (204) 360-7353. We look forward to meeting with you and receiving further feedback from your community regarding the proposed project.

Yours truly,

David Block
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[REDACTED]

Peguis First Nation
P.O. Box 10
Peguis Reserve, MB R0C 3J0

Dear Chief [REDACTED],

Re: Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project

Manitoba Hydro would like to meet with you to discuss the proposed Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project. The purpose of the meeting is to share information, answer questions, and identify any concerns regarding the proposed project.

The Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project consists of the design and construction of a new 115 kV transmission line from an existing 115 kV live to a new Distribution Supply Center located near Tyndall, MB. The project is a Class 2 development under the *Classes of Development Regulation of The Environment Act* (Manitoba) and will require the appropriate environmental licence.

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[REDACTED]

Manitoba Metis Federation
150 – 300 Henry Avenue
Winnipeg, MB R3B 0J7

Dear President [REDACTED],

Re: Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project

Manitoba Hydro would like to meet with the MMF to discuss the proposed Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project. The purpose of the meeting is to share information, answer questions, and identify any concerns regarding the proposed project.

The Tyndall Distribution Supply Center and Transmission Project consists of the design and construction of a new 115 kV transmission line from an existing 115 kV live to a new Distribution Supply Center located near Tyndall, MB. The project is a Class 2 development under the *Classes of Development Regulation of The Environment Act* (Manitoba) and will require the appropriate environmental licence. Currently, based on the initial routes being considered for the project, Manitoba Hydro anticipates that the project may be primarily built on private lands.

A representative from Manitoba Hydro will be in contact with you in the near future to coordinate a meeting. In the interim, if you require any further information, please contact me at (204) 360-7353. We look forward to meeting with the MMF and receiving further feedback from your community regarding the proposed project.

Yours truly,

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cc. Ms. Marci Riel



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February 25, 2013

Name
Address
City/Town

Dear:

Re: Proposed Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and Distribution Supply Centre Project

Manitoba Hydro would like to advise you of a proposed transmission project in your area. In order to ensure reliable electrical supply to Tyndall, Garson and the surrounding region, Manitoba Hydro is proposing to construct a 115 kV Transmission Line and Distribution Supply Centre (DSC) near Tyndall and Garson. Manitoba Hydro has identified the need for a new source to replace the existing Garson Station due to extensive reliability and performance issues attributed to line condition and lack of capacity related to the 33kV sub-transmission system supplying the station. The risk associated with not proceeding is extended outages during peak loading conditions in the communities of Garson and Tyndall as well as the surrounding area.

The enclosed newsletter includes a map that indicates the proposed alternative routes for the transmission line and the proposed location for the DSC.

The development of the proposed Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and DSC Project will require a Class 2 license under *The Environment Act* (Manitoba). The environmental assessment for the project, including the public engagement program, will be documented in an Environmental Assessment Report that will be submitted to Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship in application for the *Environment Act* licence in July of 2013. Construction of the Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and DSC is proposed to commence following the receipt of a licence with a planned in-service date of October 2014.

Manitoba Hydro will be holding a drop-in Public Open House in Garson to respond to questions and address concerns with local residents. The open house will be held at the:

Garson Community Centre
11 Thompson Ave.
March 5, 2013
3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions prior to the open house, please contact me directly at (204) 360-7353.

We look forward to discussing this Project with you.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Block". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the "Yours truly," text.

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Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and Distribution Supply Centre Project

Public Open House

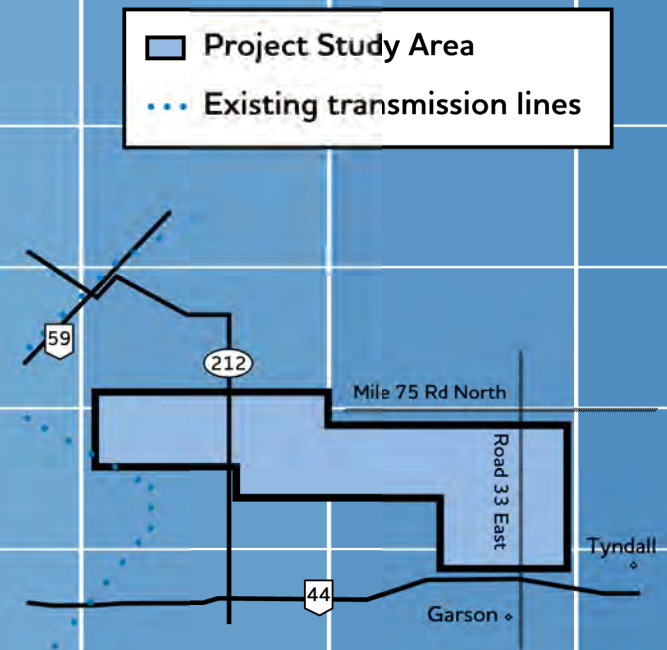
WELCOME

Need for the Project

The project is needed to ensure reliable electrical supply to Tyndall, Garson and the surrounding area.

The project will:

- support future load growth in the region; and
- reduce the risk of extended outages during peak loading conditions in Garson, Tyndall and the surrounding area



Purpose of the Open House

To provide:

- Information on the project
- Information on the environmental assessment process
- An opportunity to discuss comments and concerns

To provide a venue to receive your input on alternative routes being considered



Manitoba Hydro Goals

- Keep the public informed of Manitoba Hydro activities in the region
- Provide timely and informative responses to questions and concerns
- Be open and transparent throughout the approval process
- Ensure local resident concerns are identified and considered throughout the process



Public Engagement Process

Round 1

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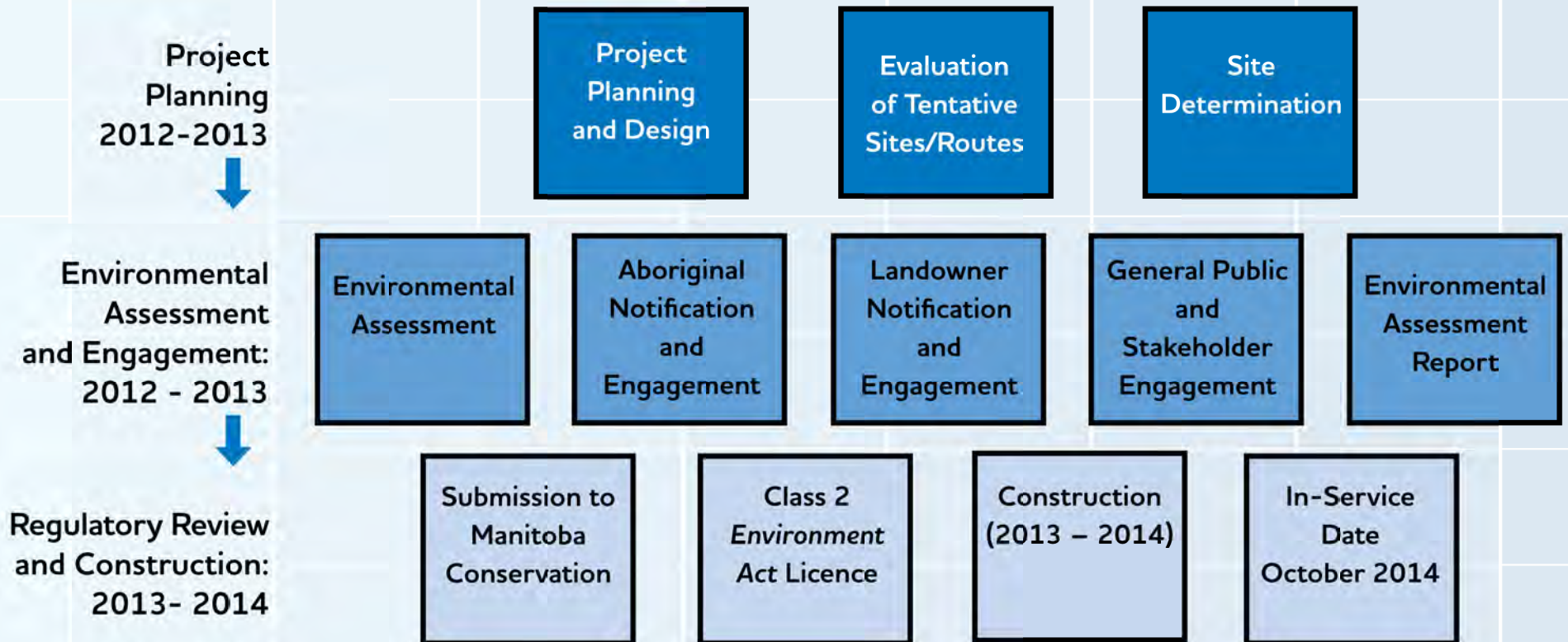
- introduce the Project;
- present the alternative routes;
- answer questions;
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- document input for routing decisions.

Round 2

The intent of Round 2 will be to:

- present the Preferred Route;
- answer questions;
- identify and document any outstanding concerns; and
- provide an opportunity to discuss potential effects and possible mitigation measures to minimize effects.

Project Schedule



Evaluation Factors for 115 kV Transmission Line Alternatives

Biophysical

- Soil
- Vegetation
- Wildlife
- Water Crossings

Socio-Economic

- Resource Use
- Culture/Heritage

Technical

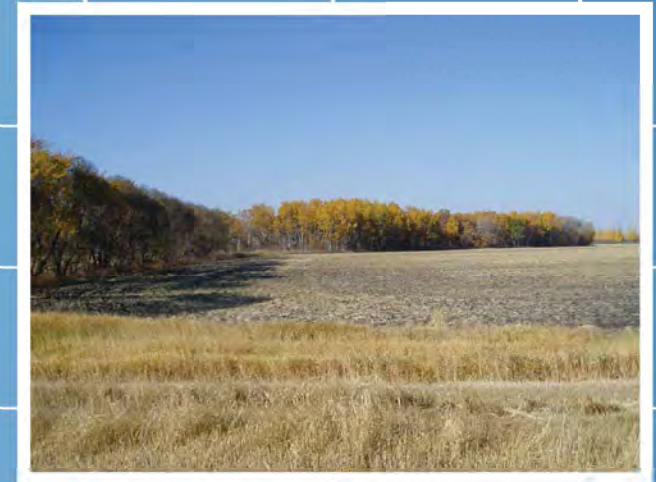
- Length
- Angles

Land Use

- Land Use
- Residences
- Agricultural Infrastructure

Feedback

- Aboriginal
- Landowners
- General Public and Stakeholders



Environmental Assessment

Study Area Characterization:

- Site visits
- Background investigation

Engagement

- Aboriginal
- Landowner
- Stakeholder
- Public

Identification of:

- Potential environmental effects
- Mitigation measures
- Follow-up actions

Preparation of an Environmental Assessment Report

Comment Sheet

How did you hear about this Open House?

Postcard Letter Newspaper Word of Mouth Other: _____

Do you have any concerns regarding the alternative routes?

Do you have any concerns regarding the proposed location for the Distribution Supply Centre (DSC)?

Are there any sensitive sites you believe Manitoba Hydro should be aware of near the proposed alternative routes or DSC site? (Please feel free to attach a map to this comment sheet if necessary)

What are your predominant concerns regarding this Project? (Check all that apply)

Access		Health/Safety		Wetlands	
Aesthetics/Visual		Location		Wildlife:	
Agricultural		Property		Other:	
Construction		Reclamation		Other:	
Economic		Vegetation		Other:	

Do you have recommendations for Manitoba Hydro on minimizing any potential effect of this Project?

How would you recommend that Manitoba Hydro prioritize factors for siting the transmission line? Please rank the three routing factors that are most important to you? (1st most important, 2nd most important, 3rd most important)

Factors	Rank (1 to 3)
Follow existing roadways	
Maximize residence separation	
Follow drainage ditches	
Parallel existing transmission infrastructure	
Follow ½ mile line	
Avoid agricultural lands	
Use agricultural lands	
Follow mile lines	
Follow existing rail lines	

Please provide any general comments regarding the project

Please return this completed comment sheet to a Manitoba Hydro representative at the Open House or please feel free to complete at home and fax or mail in your response:

820 Taylor (3)
Attn: Lindsay Thompson
Winnipeg, Manitoba
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If you wish to discuss the project any further please feel free to contact us at (204) 360-4632

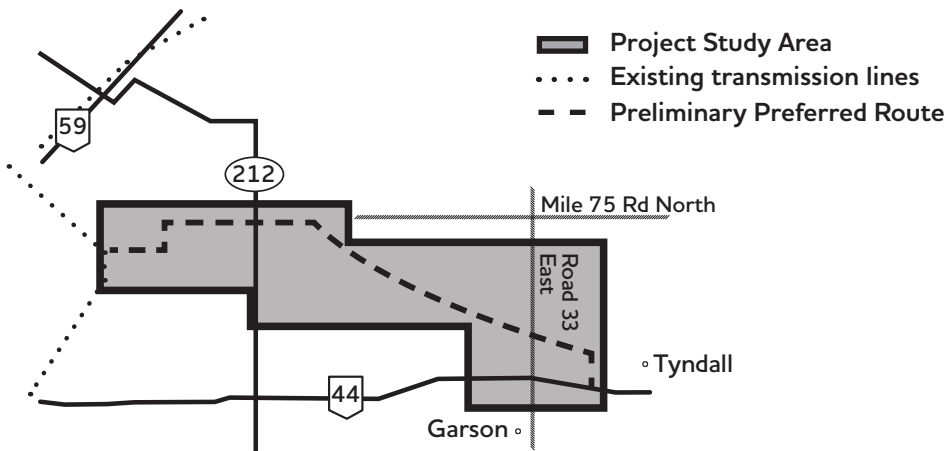
Open house: April 30

Tyndall transmission line and distribution supply centre project

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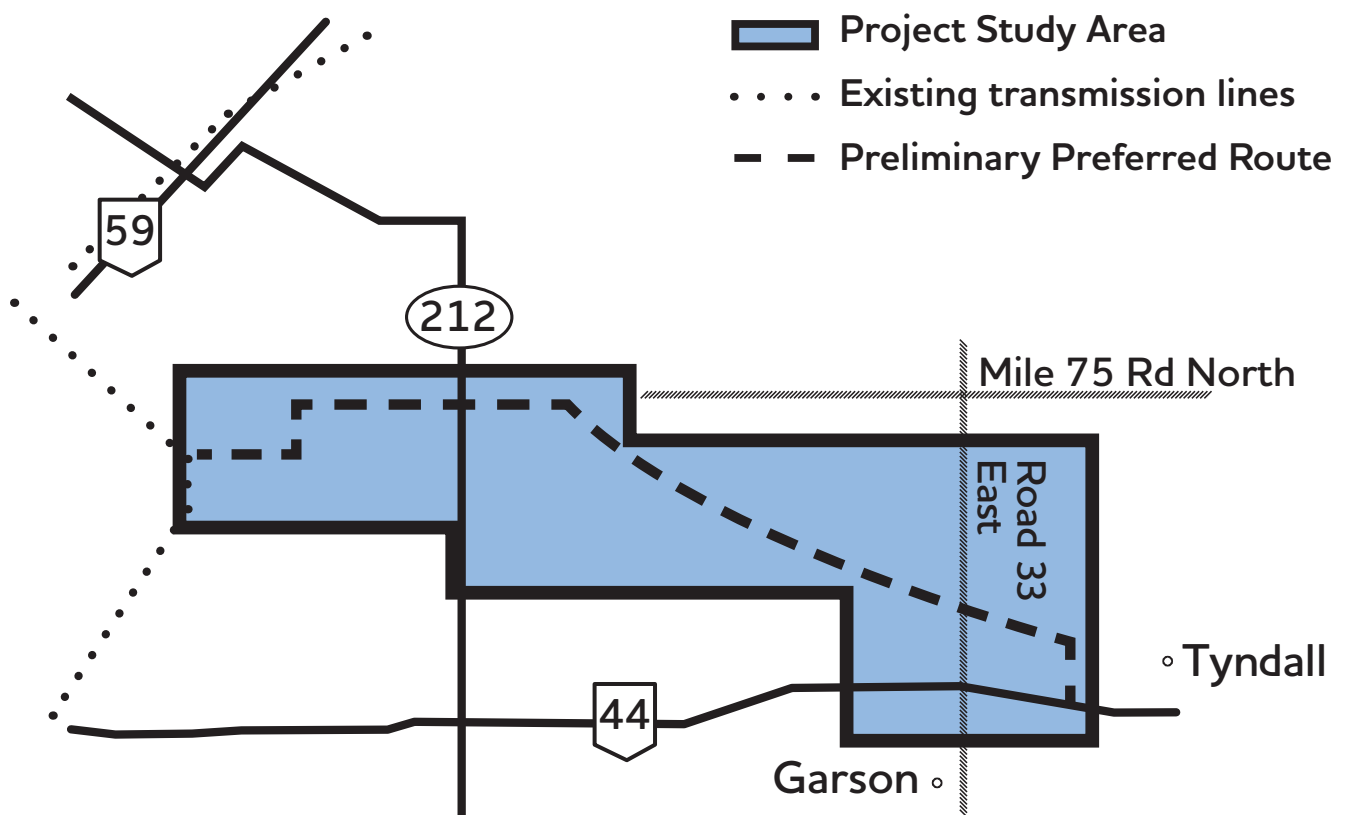
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Public Open House April 30, 2013

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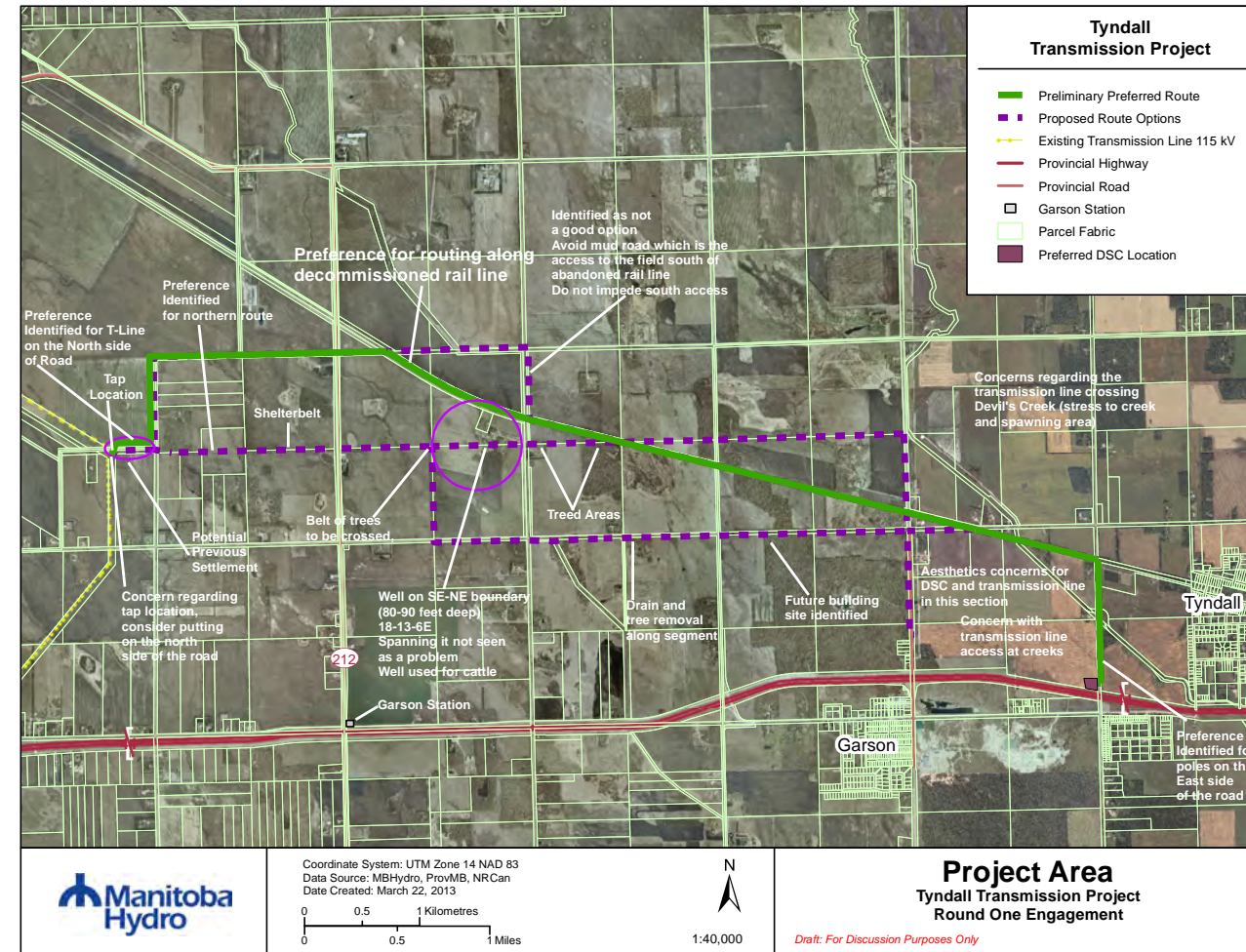
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Public Open House

Date: April 30

Time: 3 to 7 p.m.

Place: Garson Community Centennial Centre, 11 Thompson Avenue, Garson.

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Contact Us

We would like to hear from you. There are a number of ways you can review this project information and provide your input to the environmental assessment:

- Attend the public open house.
- Fill out comment sheets available at the open house.
- If you have questions please contact David Block at (204) 360-7353 or dblock@hydro.mb.ca



Round 2 - Preferred Route and DSC Location Project Need

To ensure a reliable electrical supply to the communities of Tyndall and Garson and the surrounding area, Manitoba Hydro is proposing to construct a 115-kilovolt transmission line and distribution supply centre (DSC) near Tyndall and Garson. The project is required as the risk associated with not proceeding is extended outages during peak load conditions to the Tyndall and Garson area.

Project Description

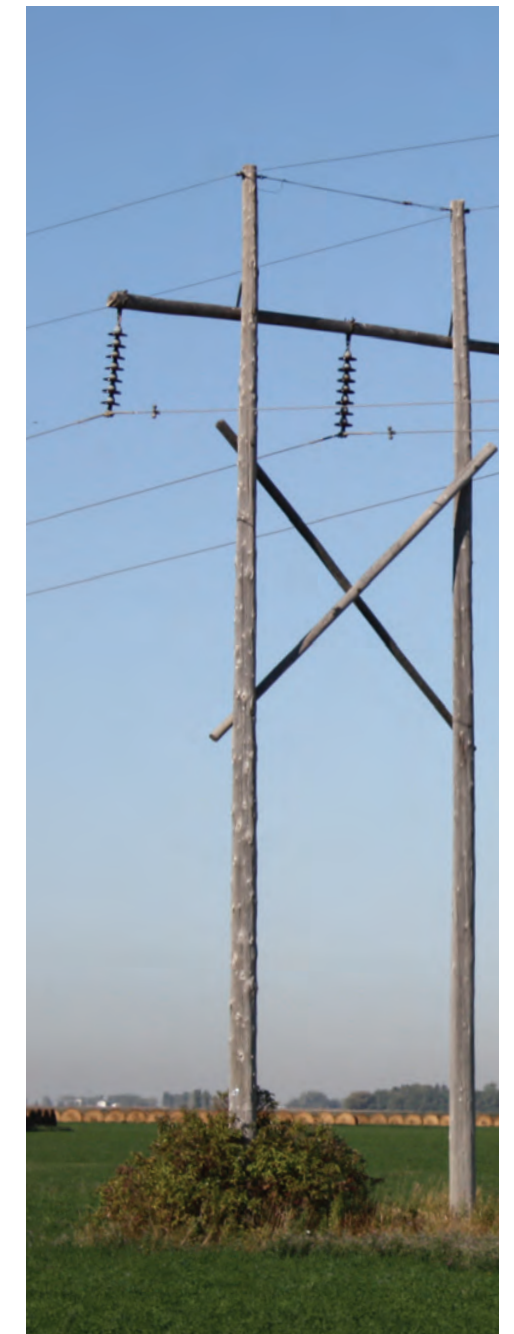
The project includes construction of a DSC, which is an alternative to constructing conventional substations developed for 115-kV transmission in Manitoba. The Tyndall DSC will facilitate decommissioning of the existing Garson Station. The proposed project will also involve the installation of approximately nine kilometres of 115-kV transmission line from the proposed tapping location at the Transcona to Selkirk 115-kV line (TS44) to the proposed DSC.

Project Location

The proposed Tyndall 115-kV Transmission Line and DSC is located in the rural municipalities of St. Clements and Brokenhead, north of Provincial Trunk Highway (PTH) 44 and is illustrated on the project area map. The proposed DSC would be located in Quarter Section SE-10-13-6-E, north of PTH 44 between Tyndall and Garson.

Environmental Assessment

The development of the proposed Tyndall 115-kV Transmission Line and DSC Project will require a Class 2 licence under *The Environment Act* (Manitoba). The environmental assessment report for the project includes characterization of the environment, identifying potential effects on people and the environment, and determining ways to avoid or reduce potential adverse effects. The environmental assessment includes a public engagement process to share information and address concerns that will be documented in the environmental assessment report. This report will be submitted to Manitoba Conservation as part of the application for *The Environment Act* licence in July of 2013.



Public Engagement Process

Engaging communities, stakeholders, property owners and the public is integral to the environmental assessment process. The public engagement process for the Tyndall Project includes two rounds of public engagement. During the first round of engagement, information was shared through:

- Meetings with the rural municipalities of St. Clements and Brokenhead.
- Project information mail drop to more than 800 recipients in Tyndall, Garson and surrounding areas.
- Information letters to 40 property owners in the immediate vicinity of the proposed project.
- Information letters and telephone calls to Brokenhead Ojibway Nation, Peguis First Nation, and the Manitoba Metis Federation.
- Advertisements in the Winnipeg Free Press, Beausejour Clipper, Selkirk Record and Selkirk Journal.
- Public open house in the Community of Garson.

The intent of the first round was to introduce the Project, present the alternative routes, answer questions, identify and document concerns and document input for routing decisions.



Project Timeline

Round 1 - March 2013

The intent of Round 1 was to:

- introduce the Project;
- present the alternative routes;
- answer questions;
- identify and document concerns; and
- document input for routing decisions.

Round 2 - April 2013

The intent of Round 2 will be to:

- present the Preferred Route;
- answer questions;
- identify and document any outstanding concerns; and
- provide an opportunity to discuss potential effects and possible mitigation measures to minimize or avoid effects.

Next Steps - May 2013 - fall 2014

- Complete environmental assessment;
- Submit Environmental Assessment Report in July 2013;
- Receipt of licence;
- Construction;
- Completion fall 2014.

We are here.

What We Heard In Round 1

Comments or concerns received from the first round of public engagement include the following:

Comment / Concern	How was feedback incorporated?
Preference for transmission routing along the decommissioned rail line.	Where possible, the preferred transmission line route will occur along the decommissioned rail line as this met several routing criteria.
Maximizing separation between residences and the transmission line.	Separation between residences and the transmission line was considered during selection of the preferred route and DSC.
Avoidance of agricultural lands and farming operations.	Majority of the preferred transmission line route will occur along the decommissioned rail line, which will reduce routing on agricultural lands.
Concern with transmission line access at creeks.	Manitoba Hydro will maintain vegetation buffers, use low disturbance clearing methods adjacent to waterways and provide erosion protection and sediment control.
Aesthetics of the transmission line and the DSC.	Where possible, the preferred transmission line route will occur along decommissioned rail line and the DSC will be located away from residences.



Regulators at the Pointe du Bois Distribution Supply Centre.

Round 2

The intent of the second round of engagement is to present the preferred route and DSC location, identify outstanding concerns and provide an opportunity to discuss potential effects and mitigation measures to reduce or eliminate adverse effects. Information will be shared with the Planning Districts, First Nations, and the Manitoba Metis Federation. As well, as a second public open house will be held.

Preferred Route

In Round 1, alternative routes were identified and presented to the public. The potential effects of the alternatives were assessed to identify a preferred route that involves physical, biological, social and technical factors, and public input. Based on these considerations, the preferred route was determined and is shown on the following page.



Open House: April 30

Tyndall transmission line and distribution supply centre (DSC) project

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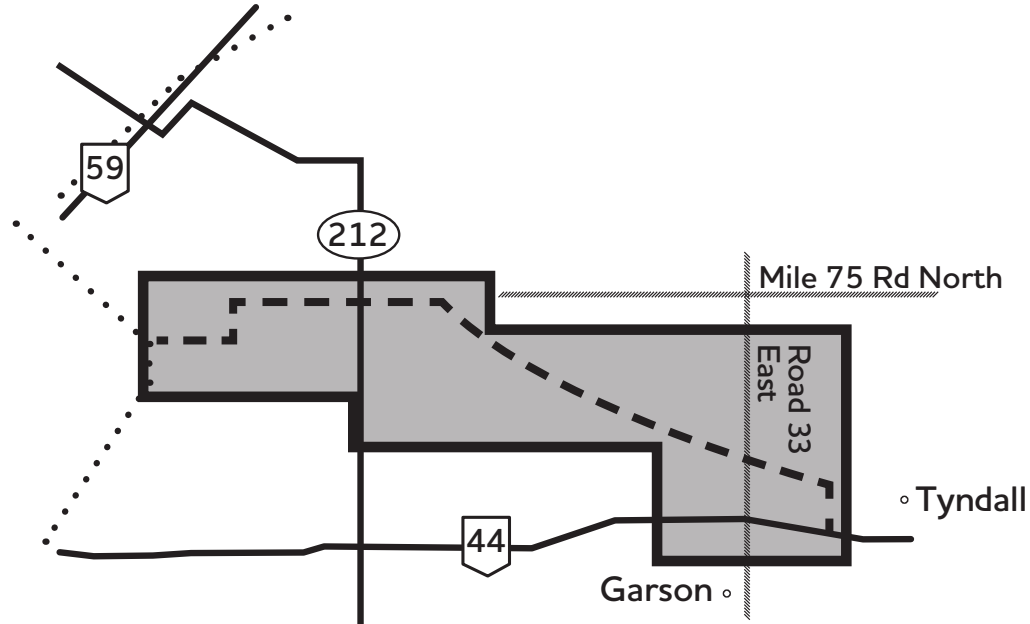
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Proposed Tyndall transmission project



- Project Study Area
- Existing transmission lines
- - - Preliminary Preferred Route

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April 12, 2013

Chief [REDACTED]
Brokenhead Ojibway Nation
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Scanterbury MB R0E 1W0

Dear Chief [REDACTED],

Re: Proposed Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and Distribution Supply Centre Project

Manitoba Hydro would like to advise you that a preferred route for the Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and Distribution Supply Centre (DSC) Project has now been selected. The route was determined after receiving feedback from landowners, the general public and stakeholders during Round 1 of the engagement process. All input from the engagement process received to date has been reviewed by our project team, leading to the current route selection. A map illustrating Manitoba Hydro's preferred route is enclosed.

We would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet to share information, answer any questions and discuss the community's participation in the Project.

We are currently seeking feedback regarding the preferred route for the project. In addition to the requested meeting with your community, Manitoba Hydro will also be holding a drop-in Public Open House in Garson related to this project to respond to questions and address concerns with local residents. While we are requesting a meeting with your community, any of your community members are also welcome to attend the open house that will be held at the:

Garson Community Centre
11 Thompson Ave.
April 30, 2013
3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The goal of this open house is to encourage the review of the preferred route, to identify any concerns and to discuss possible mitigation measures with the local residents.

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(EA) for the project, including the public engagement program, will be documented in an Environmental Assessment Report that will be submitted to Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship in application for the *Environment Act* licence in July of 2013. The EA will be available for public review and comment once submitted to Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship. Construction of the Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and DSC is proposed to commence following the receipt of a licence with a planned in-service date of October 2014.

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Sincerely,

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April 12, 2013

Chief [REDACTED]
Peguis First Nation
P.O. Box 10
Peguis Reserve, MB R0C 3J0

Dear Chief [REDACTED],

Re: Proposed Tyndall 115 kV Transmission Line and Distribution Supply Centre Project

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Manitoba Hydro understands and appreciates that the community is currently preparing for a flood and would like to work with the community to reschedule the April 8, 2013 meeting that was cancelled at Councillor Sutherland's request. We understand that preparing for the flood will take a great deal of time and energy and we appreciate that it may be difficult to find a time to meet. We will work with the community to try to meet at a time that works best for the community to share information, answer any questions and discuss the community's participation in the Project.

We are currently seeking feedback regarding the preferred route for the project. In addition to the requested meeting with your community, Manitoba Hydro will also be holding a drop-in Public Open House in Garson related to this project to respond to questions and address concerns with local residents. While we are requesting a meeting with your community, any of your community members are also welcome to attend the open house that will be held at the:

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Manitoba Hydro would greatly appreciate the opportunity to share information and discuss the Project. I will follow-up with Ms. Marci Riel to discuss the best way to share information and discuss any concerns with the MMF.

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Yours truly,

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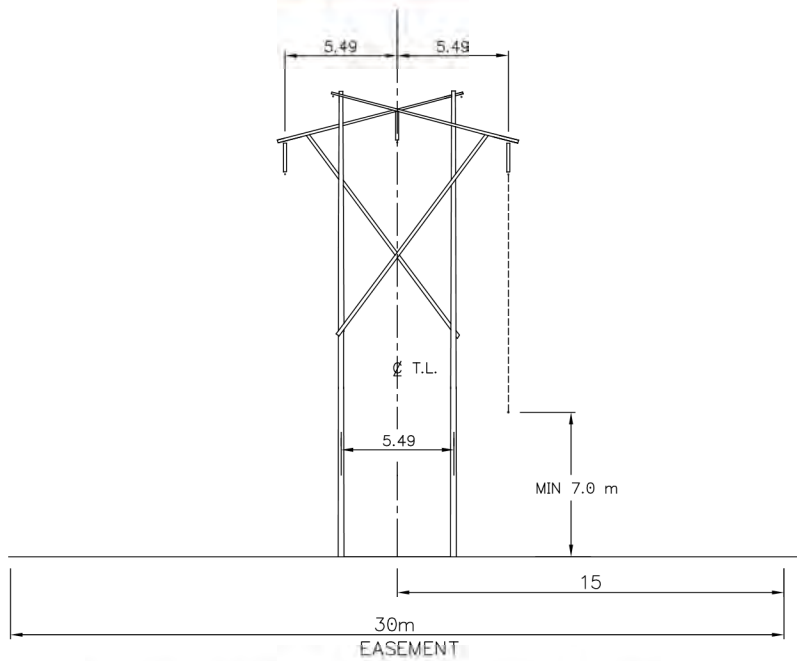
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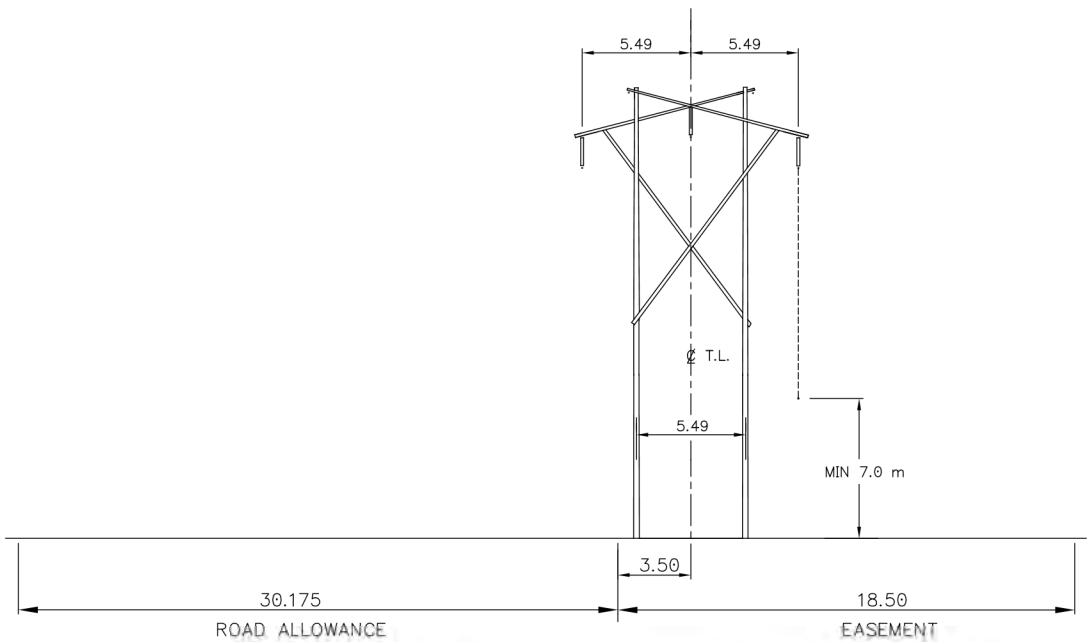
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Preliminary H-Frame Design



Typical Cross-Section of Transmission Line Structure
Adjacent to Road Allowance



Typical Cross-Section of Transmission Line Structure Located
Along Abandoned Railway Right-of-Way

What We Heard in Round 1

Comment / Concern	How was feedback incorporated?
Preference for transmission routing along the decommissioned rail line.	Where possible, the preferred transmission line route will occur along the decommissioned rail line as this met several routing criteria.
Maximizing separation between residences and the transmission line.	Separation between residences and the transmission line was considered during selection of the preferred route and DSC.
Avoidance of agricultural lands and farming operations.	Majority of the preferred transmission line route will occur along the decommissioned rail line, which will reduce routing on agricultural lands.
Concern with transmission line access at creeks.	Manitoba Hydro will maintain vegetation buffers, use low disturbance clearing methods adjacent to waterways and provide erosion protection and sediment control.
Aesthetics of the transmission line and the DSC.	Where possible, the preferred transmission line route will occur along decommissioned rail line and the DSC will be located away from residences.

Project Timeline

Round 1 - March 2013

The intent of Round 1 was to:

- introduce the Project;
- present the alternative routes;
- answer questions;
- identify and document concerns; and
- document input for routing decisions.

Round 2 - April 2013

The intent of Round 2 will be to:

- present the Preferred Route;
- answer questions;
- identify and document any outstanding concerns; and
- provide an opportunity to discuss potential effects and possible mitigation measures to minimize or avoid effects.

Next Steps - May 2013 - fall 2014

- Complete environmental assessment;
- Submit Environmental Assessment Report in July 2013;
- Receipt of licence;
- Construction;
- Completion fall 2014.

We are here.

H-Frame Pole



Distribution Supply Centre



Tyndall 115kV Transmission Line and Distribution Supply Centre Project

April 2013

How did you hear about this open house?

Postcard Letter Newspaper Word of mouth Other: _____

Do you own land within one-half mile of the preferred route or DSC?

Yes No Not Sure

Have you attended any of the other previous Manitoba Hydro events (e.g. open house or RM meeting) for this project?

Yes No

Do you have any concerns regarding the preferred route? _____

Do you have any concerns regarding the preferred location for the Distribution Supply Centre (DSC)?

Are there any sensitive sites you believe Manitoba Hydro should be aware of near the preferred route or DSC site?
(Please feel free to attach a map to this comment sheet if necessary.)

What are your predominant concerns regarding this project? (Check all that apply.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Access	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health/Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aesthetics/Visual	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	Location	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wildlife	<input type="checkbox"/>	Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Property	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
<input type="checkbox"/>	Construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

Do you have recommendations for Manitoba Hydro on minimizing any potential effect of this Project?

Please provide any general comments regarding the project.

Please return this completed comment sheet to a Manitoba Hydro representative at the open house or feel free to complete at home and fax or mail to us at:

Attn: Lindsay Thompson

820 Taylor Ave. (3)

Winnipeg, Manitoba

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Fax: 204-360-6176

If you wish to discuss the project any further please
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Comment Sheet Summary for Round One Public Open House

Comment Sheet #	Question #1 How did you hear about this Open House	Question #2 Do you have concerns regarding the alternative routes?	Question #3 Do you have any concerns regarding the proposed location for the Distribution Supply Centre?	Question #4 Are there any sensitive sites you believe Manitoba Hydro should be aware of near the proposed alternative routes or DSC site?	Question #5 What are your predominant concerns regarding this Project?	Question #6 Do you have recommendations for Manitoba Hydro on minimizing any potential effect of this Project?	Question #7 How would you recommend that Manitoba Hydro prioritize factors for siting the transmission line? Please rank the three routing factors that are most important to you.	Question #8 Please provide any general comments regarding the project.
1	Newspaper	Concerned about tap in area. Would like poles set up on North Side of road, as south side is a proposed building site for my son (4 th generation on property).	No	Previous known native settlement in the bush.	Access Aesthetics/Visual Location Property	Consider putting the tap location on the North side of the gravel road.	-	Would like lines to go on North side of road. Section 14-13-5E
2	Newspaper	Yes – Do not want it to go on our property and the old railway track is the best as it doesn't affect anyone.	No	-	Agricultural Construction Health/Safety Location	-	1 st – Avoid agricultural land 2 nd – follow existing roadways 3 rd – follow existing rail lines	-
3	Letter; Newspaper; Word of Mouth	NA	NA	NA	Location	-	1 st – Maximize residence separation 2 nd – parallel existing transmission infrastructure 3 rd – follow mile lines	The open house answered the questions I had about the location of the new transmission line.
4	Newspaper	Only if they cross Devil's Creek or Cook's Creek on these H ₂ O ways are stressed at his point.	Only if located too close to residences and again if any access needed over Devil's Creek.	Yes – Devil's Creek! At this point many folks upstream and down are concerned re H ₂ O quality and DFO did not allow bridge to be built in last 10 yrs. In addition, Devil's Creek is recognized as a spawn area in itself and it empties into Libau Marsh.	Access (if H ₂ O way in play) Health/Safety Location Wetlands Wildlife	Stay away from H ₂ O ways i.e.. Devil's Creek FYI – CEC report 2003 re Devil Creek	1 st – Follow existing roadways 2 nd – Maximize residence separation 3 rd – Parallel existing transmission infrastructure	-
5	Newspaper	160 SE and NE 59 acres on 18-13-6E. 219 acres total. SW	-	Well on SE and NE Boundary 18-13-6E	Access Agricultural Economic	-	1 st – Follow ½ mile line 2 nd – Maximize	-

		17-13-6E 130 acres. N1/2 NW 8-13-6E 80 Acres			Health/Safety Location		residence separation 3 rd – Follow mile lines	
6	-	Address provided (confidential)	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Provide drawing on map of preferred route.
8	Newspaper; Word of Mouth	NW 17-13-6E (attached a map)	Note #1 on map – this north/south mud access road east side of Dubas drain is my access road for the field south side of abandoned track area. Not a good option please. Rd 75N +31	If the abandoned tracks are used this may work across our quarter section if poles are accommodating. Also not to impede south field access.	Access Agricultural Location Property	-	-	-
9	Newspaper	No real concerns	We live directly across from the proposed DSC section. Hopefully it will be built out of sight – this includes the power lines on this section.	No	Aesthetics/Visual	No new power line next to our property 73068 33 east.	1 st – maximize residence separation 2 nd – parallel existing transmission infrastructure 3 rd – follow existing rail lines	This is a good project if it improves services and makes service more reliable.
10	Newspaper	Yes – Line to run on north side of road near tap poles to run on north side of road. Not in favour of any routes near tap in.	No	No	Access Agricultural Construction Economic Location Property	-	1 st – follow existing roadways; maximize residence separation; follow drainage ditches; parallel existing transmission infrastructure; follow ½ mile line; avoid agricultural lands; follow mile lines; follow existing rail lines 3 rd – use agricultural lands	Owned - NW 13-13- 5E and SW 13-13-5E
11	Other	-	-	-	-	Double pole will be a farming concern regarding implements bumping into poles. Prefer poles to be on east side of road 34E as the farmland on the east side is not farmed to the ditch edge (2 farm on both properties).	1 st – Avoid agricultural lands 2 nd – follow existing rail lines 3 rd – maximize residence separation	-

Comment Sheet Summary for Round Two Public Open House

Comment Sheet #	Question #1 How did you hear about this Open House	Question #2 Do you own land within one-half mile of the preferred route or DSC?	Question #3 Have you attended any of the other previous Manitoba Hydro events for this project?	Question #4 Do you have any concerns regarding the preferred routes?	Question #5 Do you have any concerns regarding the preferred location for the Distribution Supply Centre (DSC)?	Question #6 Are there any sensitive sites you believe Manitoba Hydro should be aware of near the preferred route or DSC site?	Question #7 What are your predominant concerns regarding this project?	Question #8 Do you have recommendations for Manitoba Hydro on minimizing any potential effects of this Project?	Question #9 Please provide any general comments regarding the project.
1	Letter	Yes	No	The preferred route goes right thru our agricultural land just south of our hog farm. The property is used as a manure application field and custom applications use a pipeline to apply manure. The applicators, along with ourselves frequently work after dark and we believe we do not need additional obstacles to drive around. Also farm equipment is large and it would be difficult and costly for us to farm around poles.	No	The close proximity to our farm lagoons and manure spread fields.	Location Agricultural Economic Property	Avoid going through agricultural land, especially where hazards exist. Going straight to the track bed or Road 29 e.	-
2	Letter	Yes	No	Yes, crosses SE-24-13-5E which we haul out lagoon on with a drag hose method for our hog operation, also interferes with farm operations with large equipment.	No	-	Location Agricultural Economic Property	Continue straight north down Road 29E to railway bed.	-
3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Line of sight – possible pole placement mitigation to minimize line of sight.
4	-	-	-	--	-	Shelterbelt.	-	-	Trees on rail bed maples on top of possible trails.