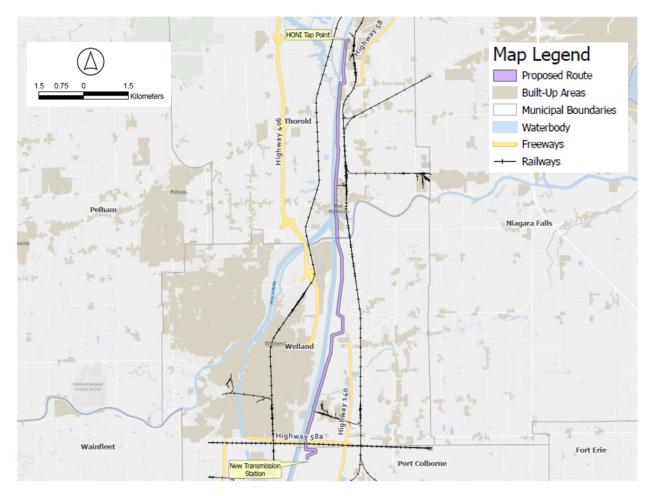
Notice of Commencement of Class Environmental Assessment

Red Jar Niagara Power Company Ltd. (the proponent) is initiating a Class Environmental Assessment Screening Process for the Niagara Power Corridor Project (the Project). The assessment will follow the requirements of the "Class Environmental Assessment for Transmission Facilities" (Class EA for TS, 2024) in accordance with the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. A copy of the Class EA can be reviewed at HydroOne.com/Class EA.

The Project will involve the development of a new 17km long double circuit 230 kV transmission line and new substation along the east side of the Welland Canal. The majority of the lands where the line will be routed are managed by the Canadian St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC).

The Project is being designed to deliver 118MW to support a publicly announced battery separator plant being built by Asahi Kasei Battery Separator Canada Corporation. However, due to the transmission line's strategic placement and the fast-growing demand in the area, the project is being developed with consideration of a potential future role in support of the broader electricity system and the needs of area business and residential customers.



Further information about the Project can be found at www.niagarapowercorridor.ca

Members of the public, agencies, Indigenous communities and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning of this class environmental assessment by participating in consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with information, comments or questions.

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