

SOUTHWEST WINNIPEG TRANSMISSION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Engagement Feedback Summary

Key Engagement Themes

Impacts to trail users

Local residents were concerned with the potential for trail closures, especially along the Awasisak Mēskanow Greenway. Interested parties shared that these closures are likely to impact recreational users and commuters, especially those that use the Awasisak Mēskanow Greenway bike paths or pedestrian infrastructure.

Impacts to trees and vegetation

Concerns were raised regarding vegetation and line clearing work. Concerns included proximity of vegetation and greenspace to the construction work, as well as damages to vegetation and the removal of trees. Manitoba Hydro shared their plans for ground vegetation rehabilitation and tree planting upon the completion of construction.

Access to information

Interested parties were concerned about the ability to stay informed of trail closures and potential work. There were requests for information regarding any detours to accommodate the road closures. In response to this, Manitoba Hydro provided signage along trails to indicate closures, and shared information on social media, the project website, and mailed project information to residents living near the project.

Engagement Activities

Manitoba Hydro rebuilt several of our 115kV transmission lines in the southwest Winnipeg area to improve reliability. This involved replacing transmission towers and lines in 3 phases, over 2 years, as well as upgrades at La Verendrye, Harrow, St. Vital and Mohawk Stations.

Engagement for this project began in early 2023, when we began sharing project information and updates with residents, trail users, the City of Winnipeg, the Awasisak Meskanow Greenway Inc., and other interested parties. The engagement for this project was tied to project construction. As construction activities moved between phases, we adjusted the interested parties we engaged with based on the geographic extent of the active construction work.

Our engagement activities included:

- Field visits and in person meetings
- Project webpage, social media advertisements, e-campaigns
- Postcards, phone calls and emails
- Signage along the preferred project route

Next Steps

We thank everyone who provided their feedback and participated in the engagement process for this project. Manitoba Hydro will be undertaking clean-up, rehabilitation and revegetation activities along the right-of-way in summer 2025. If you have questions about this work, you can reach us by email at projects@hydro.mb.ca or by phone at 1-877-343-1631.

Engagement Activities



25,000 Postcards distributed to residents living near the project



Construction progress map updated throughout project construction



Project email address and hotline phone number

Contact us for related inquiries



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Timeline of Engagement Activities

Project Engagement

May 2023 -November 2024

Proactively sharing information about the need for the Project, anticipated construction timelines and potential impacts to interested parties.

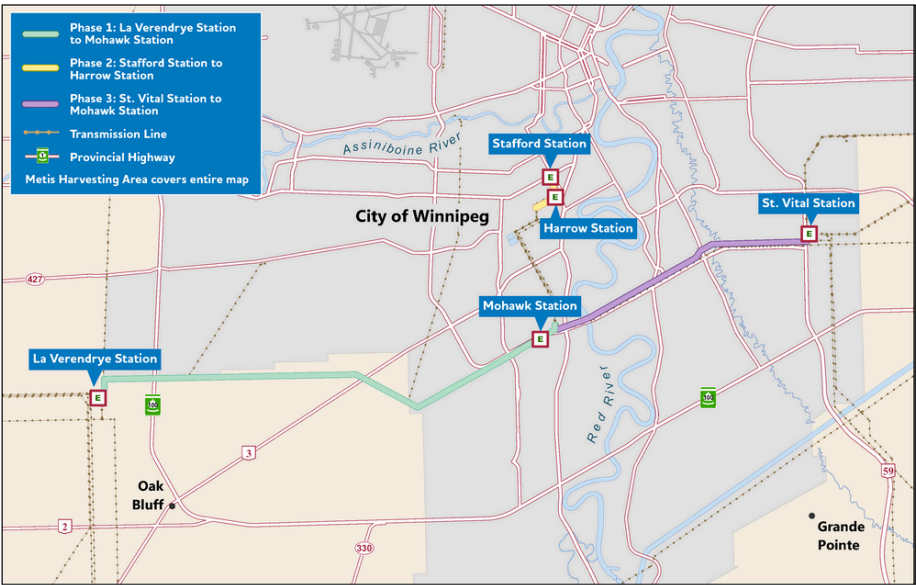
- Stage 1: La Verendrye to Mohawk stations (YS33)
 - Began June 2023, construction completed December 2023
- Stage 2: Harrow to Stafford stations (YS33 & VS27)
 - Began September 2023, construction completed June 2024
- Stage 3: St. Vital to Mohawk Stations (VS27)
 - Began September 2023, construction completed November 2024

Project closures

- St. Vital Station to Mohawk Station
 - Temporary trail disruptions/closures on Awasisak Mēskanow Trail East from River Road to St. Mary's Road in summer and fall 2024.

How feedback was incorporated

- St. Vital Station to Mohawk Station
 - Temporary trail disruptions/closures on Awasisak Mēskanow Trail East from River Road to St. Mary's Road in summer and fall 2024.



What we heard

Participants expressed concerns about staying informed on trail closures and access limitations to the Awasisak Meskanow Greenway. There were requests for information regarding any detours to accommodate the road closures.

Concerns over the removal of vegetation, and the loss of trees and vegetation along the project area were shared.

How input was considered

Manitoba Hydro placed signage along the trails to notify trail users of closure dates. Manitoba Hydro notified residents, including mailing out over 25,000 postcards with project information, and shared updates on social media and the project webpage.

Trees were removed underneath the lines for safety. Interested parties were notified, and Manitoba Hydro is working with the City of Winnipeg to replant vegetation that is compatible with transmission line rights-of-way.

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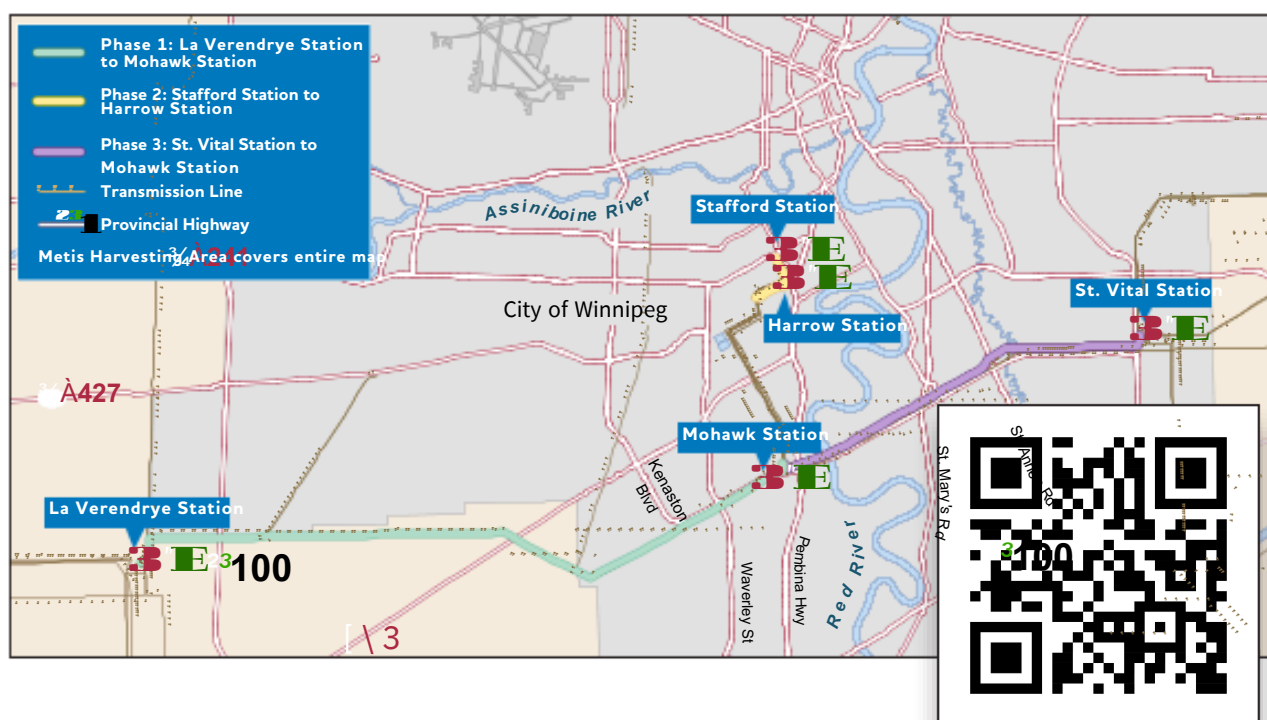
We're rebuilding transmission lines in your area

We're rebuilding several 115-kV transmission lines in southwest Winnipeg to improve system reliability and meet current safety requirements.

There will be construction activity under transmission lines and adjacent roadways during the rebuild. We anticipate there will be short-term closures to active transportation trails along Abinojii Mikanah while crews are working.

This work is taking place in stages:

- **Phase 1:** La Verendrye Station to Mohawk Station - complete
- **Phase 2:** Stafford Station to Harrow Station - complete
- **Phase 3:** St. Vital Station to Mohawk Station - We anticipate temporary trail disruptions/closures on Awasisak Mēskanow Trail East from River Road to St. Mary's Road in Summer and Fall 2024.



For more information, to sign up for updates, and to view construction progress, visit www.hydro.mb.ca/sww

Connect with us: projects@hydro.mb.ca

or call 1-877-343-1631

or 204-360-7888 (in Winnipeg)

Map of Tree Removal Locations

