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Notice of Commencement of Impact Assessment Process
Submission of New Nuclear at Wesleyville Initial Project Description and Summary

As part of OPG's commitment to continually provide up-to-date information, and in recognition of your role as a valued stakeholder, we are writing today to share an update on the potential for new nuclear generation at Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) Wesleyville site in Port Hope.

OPG has submitted the New Nuclear at Wesleyville (NNW) in Port Hope Initial Project Description (IPD) to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC). The IPD and its summary can be accessed on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry [here](#). As outlined in the IAAC process, this submission initiates a **30-day IAAC-led public comment period** through to February 11, 2026. More information can be found in [this public notice](#).

To help meet the growing demand for electricity in the province, the Ontario government has asked OPG to explore the potential of hosting up to 10,000 megawatts of nuclear power generation at its Wesleyville site. With the submission of the IPD, the project enters the planning phase - the first step in the necessary, multi-phased federal impact assessment (IA) process. OPG worked closely with the Michi-Saagiig Anishnaabeg Nations of the Williams Treaties First Nations (MS-WTFN) to ensure their collaborative input to the document. The IPD includes perspectives from MS-WTFN community members including Elders and those who have traditional knowledge of the area. The IPD also incorporates early input from the Municipality of Port Hope, and perspectives gathered through OPG's early engagement efforts in the community.

The IA process is led by the IAAC in collaboration with the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission and will include an assessment of potential impacts on the environment, health, social and economic conditions, Rights-holding First Nations and interested Indigenous communities, and will explore how adverse effects could be mitigated. It also provides further opportunity for Rights-holding First Nations and interested Indigenous communities, the Municipality of Port Hope, stakeholders, and the public to share their perspectives and views.

Individuals, non-profit organizations, and Indigenous communities and organizations can apply for participant funding for the planning phase of the project, which is expected to last up to 180 days. During this phase, a review of public comments and consideration of the project's potential effects are the primary focus. Participant funding applications must be submitted to IAAC by February 11, 2026. For more information on funding criteria or questions on this process, please visit the [IAAC website](#).

We look forward to continued engagement as we explore the potential for new nuclear generation in Port Hope. Details of our ongoing, OPG-led engagement opportunities will continue to be communicated via several means, including on our project [website](#). As a reminder, OPG's Nuclear Discovery Centre at 115 Toronto Rd. in Port Hope, is open Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.- 3:30 p.m., and our team can be reached any time at 1-800-461-0034.

Should you have any questions related to the proposed project or the Initial Project Description, please don't hesitate to reach out. Alternatively, feel free to contact Carrie-Anne Atkins, Senior Manager, Corporate Relations and Projects 416-528-7766.