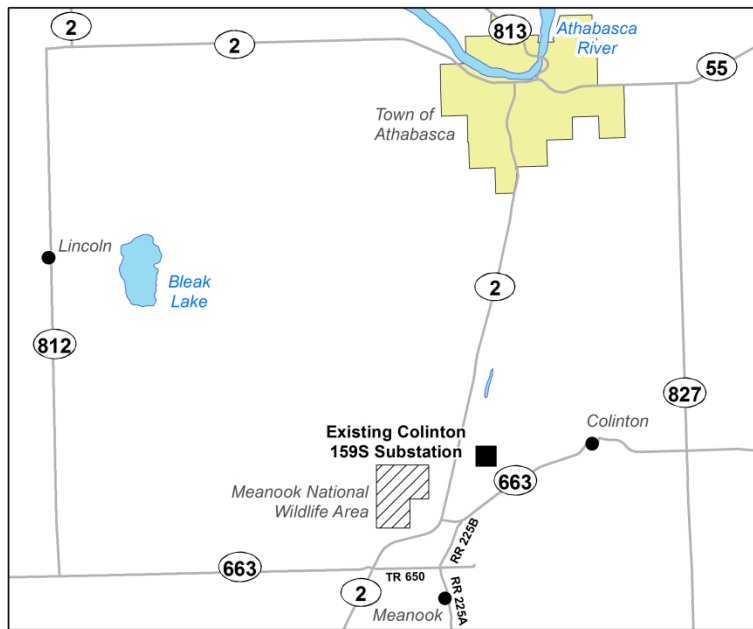


AESO Public Notification of Regulatory Filing

Addressing the Need for the Colinton 159S Substation Upgrade in the Athabasca/Lac La Biche Area

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) advises you that it intends to file a Needs Identification Document (NID) for the Colinton substation upgrade with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on or after August 14, 2015.

FortisAlberta Inc. (FortisAlberta) has applied to the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) for transmission system access to improve reliability in the Athabasca / Lac La Biche area. FortisAlberta's request can be met by upgrading the existing Colinton 159S substation, including replacing a 138/25 kV transformer with one of higher capacity, and adding associated equipment.



The black square on the map indicates the approximate location of the Colinton 159S Substation, which is at 18-65-22-W4 or about five kilometres west of the Town of Colinton. In a separate application called a Facility Application, AltaLink Management Ltd. (AltaLink) the transmission facility owner (TFO) in the Athabasca/Lac La Biche area, will describe the specific upgrades to be performed and request AUC approval to construct and operate the specific transmission facility.

The AESO and AltaLink presented this need to stakeholders, including residents, occupants and landowners, from May 2015 to July 2015. The AESO has considered feedback gathered from stakeholders, and technical and cost considerations, and will apply to the AUC for approval of the need for this transmission development. Once filed, the NID will be posted on the AESO website at <http://www.aeso.ca/transmission/32058.html>

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