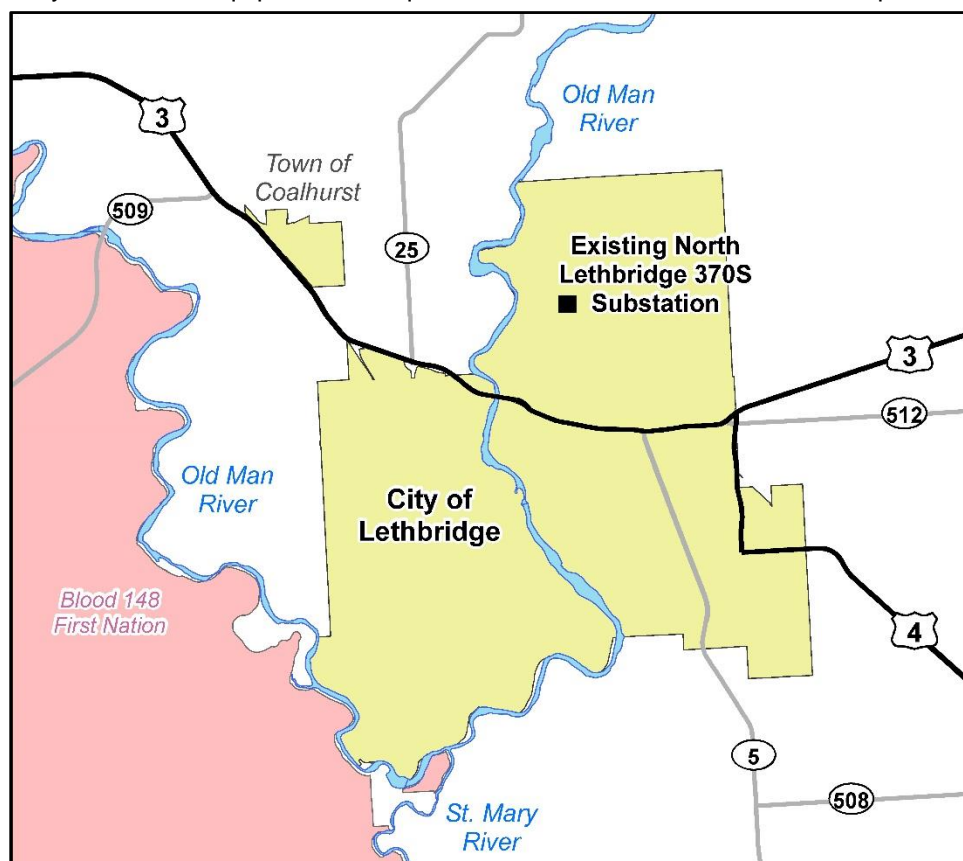


Notification of the AESO's intention to consider the Need for the North Lethbridge 370S Substation Upgrade for approval under the AESO's Abbreviated Needs Approval Process

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) intends to consider the need for the North Lethbridge 370S Substation Upgrade for approval under Section 501.3 of the ISO rules, *Abbreviated Needs Approval Process*, (ANAP Rule) on or after November 2, 2020.

FortisAlberta Inc. (FortisAlberta) has applied to the AESO for transmission system access to improve the reliability of the electricity services in the City of Lethbridge area. FortisAlberta's request can be met by the following solution:

- Modify the existing North Lethbridge 370S substation, including adding one 138 (kilovolt) kV circuit breaker.
- Add or modify associated equipment as required for the above transmission developments.



The black square on the map indicates the approximate location of the existing North Lethbridge 370S substation, which is at SW-18-9-21W4.

AltaLink Management Ltd. is the transmission facility owner (TFO) in the Lethbridge area. In June 2020, the AESO and the TFO began notifying stakeholders, including residents, occupants, and landowners of this need for the Project.

The AESO intends to consider the need for the Project for approval under Section 501.3 of the ISO rules *Abbreviated Needs Approval Process* (ANAP Rule) on or after November 2, 2020. If stakeholders have any questions or concerns, please contact the AESO on or before this date.

The AESO may consequently approve the need for the Project under the ANAP Rule, or if the AESO does not approve the need, may submit a needs identification document (NID) application to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC). The TFO will then file an application to the AUC requesting approval to construct and operate the specific facilities associated with the transmission development.

Supporting information for this Project can be found on the AESO website at <https://www.aeso.ca/grid/projects/north-lethbridge-370s-substation-upgrade/>. If approved, the ANAP Approval Letter will also be posted on the AESO website. For more information, please visit our website, www.aeso.ca or contact us at 1-888-866-2959 or stakeholder.relations@aesocanada.com.