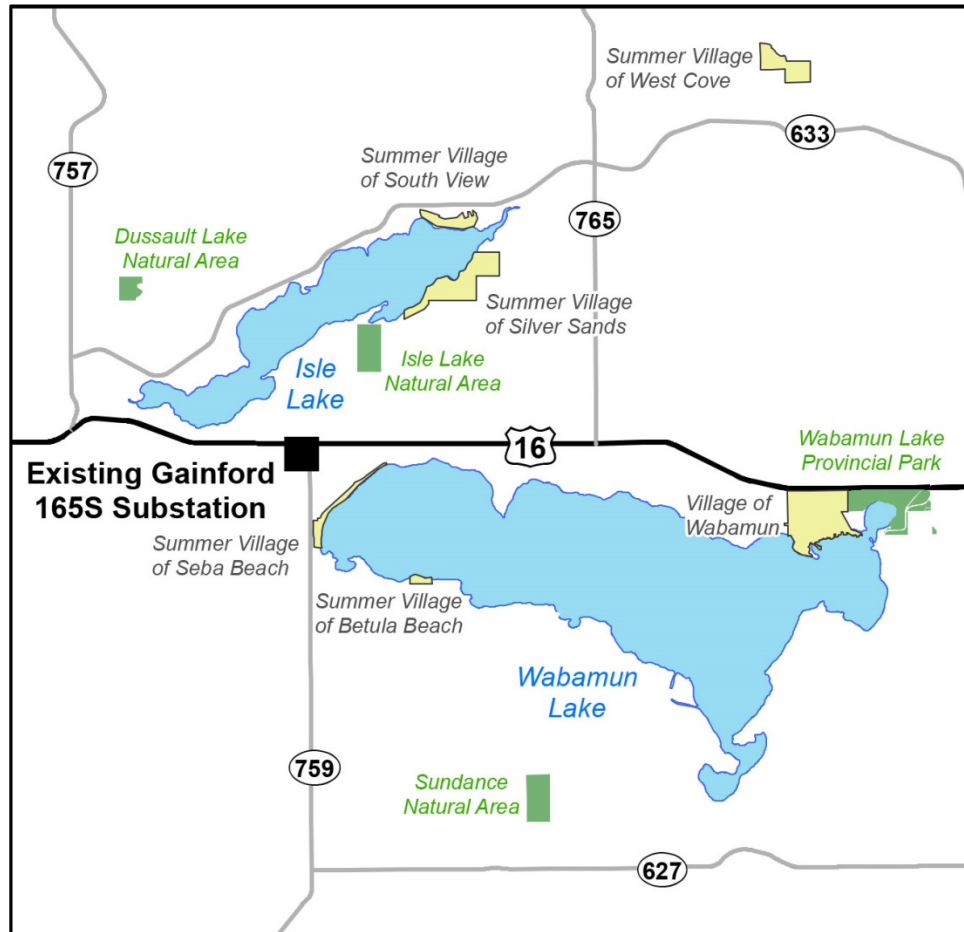


## AESO Public Notification of NID Filing

### Addressing the Need for the Gainford 165S Substation Upgrade in the Gainford Area

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) advises you that it intends to file a Needs Identification Document (NID) for the Gainford 165S substation upgrade with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on or after July 22, 2016

Trans Mountain Pipeline L.P. has applied to the AESO for transmission system access to meet increased industrial demand for electricity in the Gainford area. Trans Mountain's request can be met by replacing the existing 138/4.16 kV transformer with one of higher capacity and adding the associated equipment.



*The black square on the map indicates the approximate location of the Gainford substation, which is at NE-13-53-6-W5. In a separate application called a Facility Application, AltaLink, the transmission facility owner (TFO) in the Gainford area, will describe the specific developments 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 February 2016 to July 2016. 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 it is filed, the NID will be posted on the AESO website at <http://www.aeso.ca/transmission/33166.html>

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