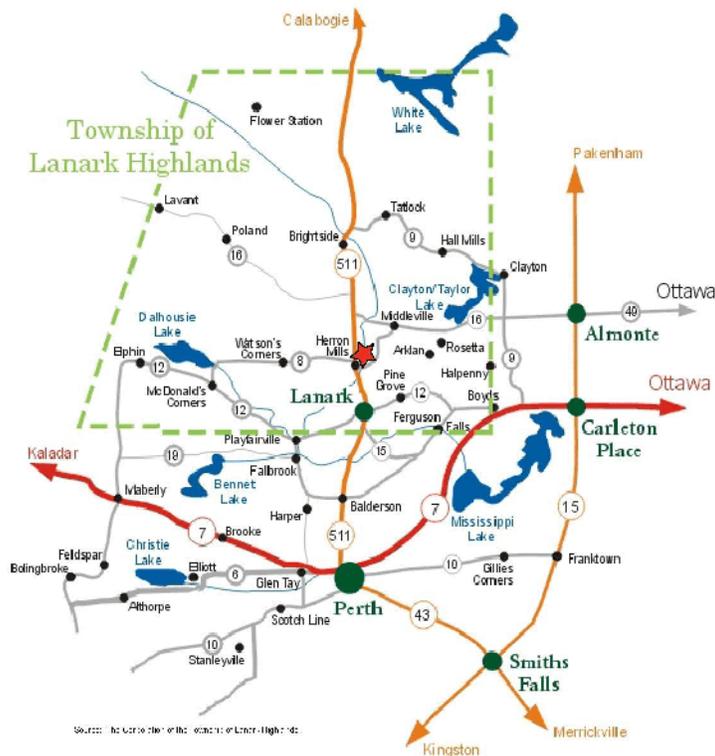


Notice of Commencement under the Class EA for Waterpower Projects

Herron Mills Waterpower Project

Oakridge Environmental Ltd. is planning to undertake an environmental evaluation and assessment for the proposed Herron Mills Waterpower project located on the Clyde River, in the Township of Lanark Highlands, northwest of the village of Lanark. If approved and constructed, this waterpower project would generate clean, green, renewable energy at a total installed capacity of 156kW. The project's study area is presented on the map below.

The project is subject to the provisions of the Ontario Waterpower Association's "Class Environmental Assessment for Waterpower Projects" (revised 2010). Pursuant to the Class EA, this project is considered to be associated with existing infrastructure.



The Class EA process requires the Herron Mills Power Company Ltd. to undertake an evaluation of the project to determine its potential effects to the environment (positive and negative) and prepare a detailed Environmental Report. The project is also expected to require review and approvals under the Canadian *Environmental Assessment Act*, *Fisheries Act*, *Navigable Waters Act*, *Endangered Species Act*, *Ontario Water Resources Act*, *Environmental Protection Act*, and other legislation. This notice and the public consultation process for the project under the Class EA is intended to coordinate and meet the notification requirements relevant to the planning stage of the project under these statutes.

The evaluation and environmental report will assess the potential effects of the proposed waterpower project on the environment during its construction and operation. Oakridge Environmental Ltd. has identified certain environmental components that are expected to be the focus of the proposed project. Public consultation will be an integral component of this process.

You are invited to provide comments on the issues to be addressed, and/or ask to be placed on the project's mailing list. For information on the project proposal, to raise any issues or concerns, or to be placed on the mailing list, contact:

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