

NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED SIR ADAM BECK #1 GENERATING STATION UPGRADE PROJECT

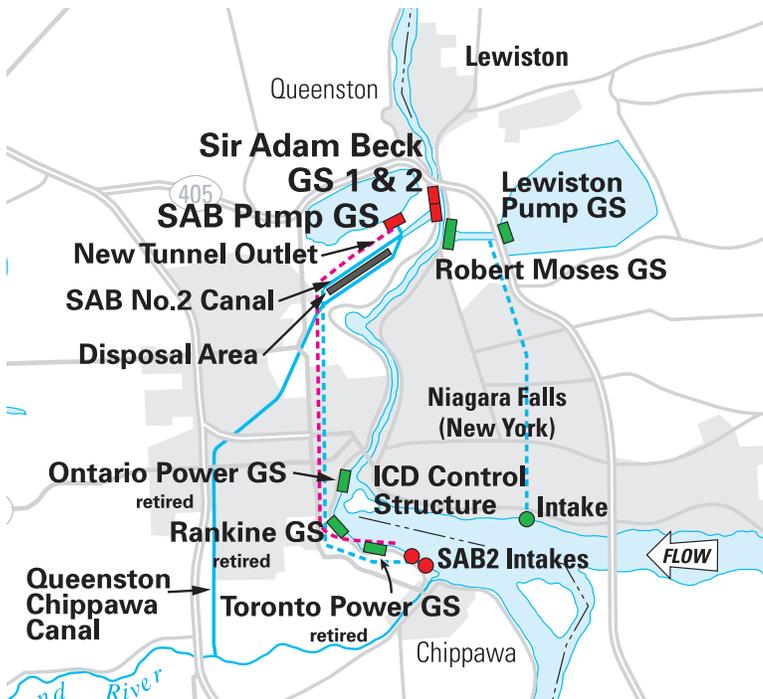
under the Class Environmental Assessment for Waterpower Projects

Ontario Power Generation is proposing an upgrade to its Sir Adam Beck GS #1 Generating Station replacing the existing generators on Unit 1 and 2 with two new up to date generators. The Sir Adam Beck (SAB) GS is a 10 unit station located on the Niagara River at Queenston, Ontario, placed in service in 1922 and classed as a “flagship” asset. Two of the units (G1 and G2) are 25 Hz generators and were taken out of service in 2009. The remaining 8 units are 60 Hz generators and have a capacity of 438 MW and an estimated annual energy production of 2149 GWh.

The proposed Project is subject to the provisions of the Ontario Waterpower Association’s “Class Environmental Assessment (the “Class EA”) for Waterpower Projects”. Ontario Power Generation is planning to undertake an environmental evaluation and assessment for the proposed project using existing infrastructure, and if approved and constructed, this waterpower project would bring Units 1 and 2 back into service as 60 Hz generators.

The Class EA process requires Ontario Power Generation to undertake an evaluation of the Project to determine the 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 Ontario Heritage Act. This notice and the public consultation process for the Project under the Class EA is intended to meet the notification requirements relevant to the planning stage of the Project for these statutes.

Public consultation is an integral component of this process and allows interested parties to provide comments on this Project.



The Notice of Completion will be provided to all Indigenous communities, agencies and other parties who expressed interest as a result of this Notice of Commencement and who participated in the consultation process.

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