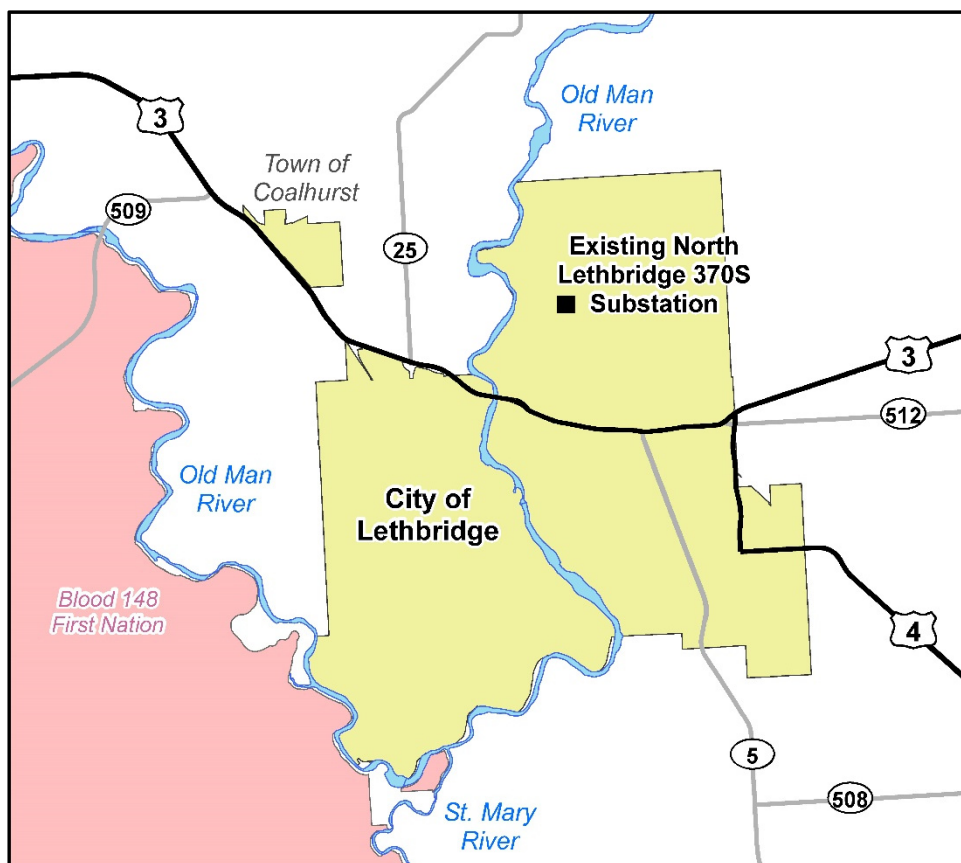


Notification of the AESO’s intention to consider the Need for the North Lethbridge 370S Substation Modification for approval under the AESO’s Abbreviated Needs Approval Process

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) intends to consider the need for the North Lethbridge 370S Substation Modification for approval under Section 501.3 of the ISO rules, *Abbreviated Needs Approval Process*, (ANAP Rule) on or after August 7, 2021.

Recent studies have shown the existing transmission system in the North Lethbridge area needs to be reconfigured to continue to provide a reliable supply of electricity to the City of Lethbridge. The AESO is proposing modifications to the existing North Lethbridge 370S substation, which include the addition of one 138 (kilovolt) kV circuit breaker. Circuit breakers are electrical switches inside a substation that protect substation equipment. Minor modifications of associated equipment are also required.



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 March 2021, the AESO and the TFO began notifying stakeholders, including residents, occupants, and landowners of this need for the Project.

The AESO intends to consider for approval the need for the Project the ANAP Rule on or after August 7, 2021. If stakeholders have any questions or concerns, please contact the AESO 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, it may submit a needs identification document (NID) application to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC). The TFO will 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-modification-project/>. 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@aeso.ca.