From: Kaita, Adara (CON) on behalf of +WPG1212 - Conservation_Circulars (CON)

Sent: November-05-12 8:40 AM To: Dagdick, Elise (CON)

Subject: Re-Routing - Bipole III - File: 5433.00

Attachments: image003.jpg

Hi Elise.

Sorry for the late response.

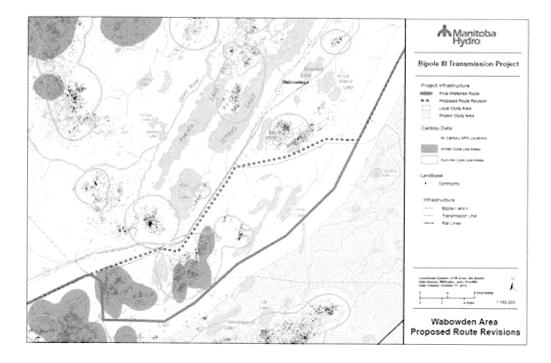
The Lands Branch and the Sustainable Resource and Policy Management Branch offer the following comments:

The alternate route being proposed by Manitoba Hydro for the portion of Bipole III between Wabowden and Hargrave Lake area is very similar to the initial alternate route "sub-route B" and the preliminary preferred route.

When the preliminary preferred route was proposed, the Lands Branch indicated that the routing south of Wabowden to Hargrave Lake areas was acceptable by paralleling existing linear features, i.e. PTH #6 and the rail line. At that time, it was suggested that the portion of Bipole III that ran east/west actually parallel PR 373 to eliminate adding any new access in that area. The Branch appreciates Manitoba Hydro's proposal to follow PR 373 in the newly proposed alternate routing.

The Branch is supportive of the new alternate route being proposed. The Branch still considers routing Bipole III directly along PTH #6 from north of Wabowden south to Hargrave like to be the best option. However the Branch recognizes that due to strong mining interests, this option is no longer being considered.

The Lands Branch recognizes the efforts of Manitoba Hydro to implement extensive caribou and wolf monitoring programs in the Bipole III study area. Monitoring both prior and post construction will help in determining any impacts of increased linear development in the Wabowden caribou range.



Moose Meadows Area Comments

The revised route will now avoid the majority of the "Moose Meadows area". It is further suggested that the NE and SE quarters of 043-25W be avoided as the BPC has agreed to support the "Wildlife – No Agricultural Use" code being applied to the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of 31-043-25W (previously uncoded) as part of the Moose Meadows Area. It is recommended that the line be moved westerly

200m in the NE quarter and 100m in the SE quarter (line should come down the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile line to avoid the moose sensitivity. In addition, the revised line location will continue to impact merchantable timber resources which have been coded for "Forest Management."

Bellsite Area

Designated Provincial Forest lands will be impacted by the new route location in twp 042-26W; specifically W $\frac{1}{2}$ 13, NW12,SE11 (forest plantation) ,NE02,SW01, & SE01 & in twp 041-25W specifically W $\frac{1}{2}$ of NW31. Forestry review /authorization from Director of Forestry will be required. In addition, the revised line location will continue to impact merchantable timber resources which have been coded for "Forest Management."

North of Cowan

Designated Provincial Forest lands will be impacted by the new route location in twp 036-23W & 036-22W & 035-22W & 035-21W . Forestry review /authorization from Director of Forestry will be required. In addition, the revised line location will continue to impact merchantable timber resources which have been coded for "Forest Management" in 034-20W and 033-20W.

From:

Janusz, Laureen R (MWS) November-02-12 8:42 AM

Sent: To:

Dagdick, Elise (CON)

Cc:

Subject:

Macdonald, Don (MWS); Kitch, Ian (MWS) EAP 5433 Bipole III - Rerouting due Nov 1

Attachments:

19A Proposed revised route 20121022.pdf; E Dagdick Oct 22 2013 final.docx; moose

meadows revised route 20121023.pdf; Wabowden Route Revision Map.pdf

Hi Elise,

Fisheries Branch has looked at the proposed re-routing. Unless there are regional specific concerns with what Hydro has proposed to address wildlife concerns, Fisheries Branch has no concerns with the proposed re-routing.

Laureen Janusz

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From: Steele, Tania (CON) Sent: October-25-12 12:00 PM

To: Schindler, Dennis (MAFRI); Kaita, Adara (CON); Labossiere, Don (CON); Molod, Rommel (CON); Streich, Laurie (CON); Duncan, James (CON); Elliott, Jessica (CON); Dojack, John (CON); Gilbertson, Mike (CON); Missyabit, Ron (CON); Gurney, Sharon (MWS); Phipps, Graham (MWS); Janusz, Laureen R (MWS); Stibbard, James (MWS); Matthews, Rob (MWS); Reimer, Geoff P (MWS); Hill, Gordon C (CHT); Cunningham, Neil (CON); Roberecki, Susan (HEALTH); Roberts, Tracy (HEALTH); Coulter, Ryan (MIT); Allum, Brad (MIT); Shaler, Samantha (MLG); 'CEAAPrairieProjects@ceaaacee.gc.ca'; Roberts, Wayde (CON); Armstrong, Mike (CON)

Cc: Dagdick, Elise (CON); Braun, Tracey (CON); Webb, Bruce (CON); Ouimet, Darrell (CON)

Subject: Bipole III - Rerouting - File: 5433.00

Manitoba Hydro has submitted the attached response to the Environmental Approvals Branch's August 29, 2012 request for rerouting of the proposed transmission line with regard to the Bipole III Transmission Line Environmental Impact Statement (File 5433.00).

Please provide any comments on the material by November 1, 2012.

Sent on behalf of:

Elise Dagdick

Environmental Approvals Branch Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship Suite 160, 123 Main St., Winnipeg, MB R3C 1A5

From:

Coulter, Ryan (MIT)

Sent:

November-01-12 4:38 PM

To:

Dagdick, Elise (CON); Quintana, Grace (MIT)

Cc:

Braun, Tracey (CON)

Subject:

Re: Bipole III - Rerouting - File: 5433.00

Elise,

We are reviewing the proposed re-routes to determine if there are any potential impacts on MIT interests in those areas and will provide the outcome of that review on November 9, 2012. It is our expectation that any potential impacts could be managed and would not likely require any further re-routing.

From: Dagdick, Elise (CON) **To**: Quintana, Grace (MIT)

Cc: Braun, Tracey (CON); Coulter, Ryan (MIT)

Sent: Thu Nov 01 16:33:40 2012

Subject: RE: Bipole III - Rerouting - File: 5433.00

Thank you Grace. Can you tell me at this time if MIT's review could result in the need to consider moving the line from this area or if it would just be a matter of tower placement?

Elise Dagdick

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From: Quintana, Grace (MIT)
Sent: November-01-12 11:07 AM

To: Dagdick, Elise (CON) **Cc:** Braun, Tracey (CON)

Subject: RE: Bipole III - Rerouting - File: 5433.00

Please see attached request for review extension period.

I hope you find the document in order.

Thank you very much.

Grace Ruth S. Quintana

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October 31, 2012

Tracey Braun, M. Sc.
Director, Environmental Approvals Branch
Manitoba Conservation
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RE: MB Hydro - Bipole III Transmission Project - Proposed Rerouting

Client File No 5433.00

Dear Ms. Braun:

MIT would like to request more time to review the proposed rerouting of the Wabowden, Moose Meadow and 19A routes. We will provide our comments by November 9, 2012.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Ryan Coulter, M. Sc., P. Eng.

Manager of Environmental Services



From:

Stibbard, James (MWS)

Sent:

October-31-12 8:54 AM Dagdick, Elise (CON)

To: Subject:

Re: 5433.00 Manitoba Hydro Bipole III Supplementary Information, October 25 2012

Ms. Dagdick,

I reviewed the materials forwarded on October 25 related to the above noted project. The materials are primarily descriptions of proposed route changes to avoid wildlife habitat etc. There is no information respecting drinking water systems in any of the materials and, as such I cannot comment on any potential concerns respecting drinking water supplies or systems arising from these proposed route changes..

I trust this is satisfactory, but if you have any questions, please call.

Regards,

James Stibbard P. Eng.

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From:

Misanchuk, Lorne (CON)

Sent:

October-30-12 2:19 PM

To: Subject:

Dagdick, Elise (CON) RE: Bipole III routing

In further review of this area it is evident that the line cannot be routed around Red Deer River Park etc. due the TLE selection to the west of PR# 10. Therefore the proposed route selected will have to suffice.

From: Dagdick, Elise (CON)
Sent: October-24-12 9:53 AM
To: Misanchuk, Lorne (CON)
Subject: Bipole III routing

Hi Lorne,

I understand you met with Hydro to discuss the Bipole III route near Red Deer River Provincial Park. Could you please send me an e-mail indicating whether you are still concerned about routing in this area?

Thank you,

Elise Dagdick

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