

Notice of Study Completion: Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities – Tara BESS

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On November 25, 2024, in accordance with the Environmental Assessment Act (EAA), Neoen commenced a Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities (Class EA for TF) for the Tara BESS project, a battery energy storage system proposed for development at 39 Concession Road 4, Arran, in the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie. Neoen has now completed the Class EA for TF for Tara BESS, and a draft Environmental Study Report (ESR) is available for viewing and public comment. View the draft ESR online at www.tarabattery.ca or request a hard copy.

Public Comment Period*

Neoen will accept public comments on the draft ESR from June 18, 2025, through July 18, 2025. Public comments are accepted by phone, e-mail, online, or by mail. Mailed comments must be received at the mailing address by 5:00 PM on July 18, 2025.

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Study Area



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Public Comment Period* (continued)

Neoen will endeavour to resolve all comments received during the public comment period. Requests for a Section 16(6) Order can be made the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, on the grounds that the order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on Aboriginal or treaty rights. Section 16(6) Order requests must be sent to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Director of Environmental Assessment Branch by mail, email, fax or in-person to:

Minister

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor Toronto ON M7A 2J3 Minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Director

Environmental Assessment Branch Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor Toronto ON M4V 1P5 EABDirector@ontario.ca

A copy of the Section 16(6) Order request should also be sent to Neoen.

Once the public comment period is complete, Neoen will incorporate all comments received into a final ESR and post the final ESR on www.tarabattery.ca. Neoen will then submit a Statement of Completion to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks. Subject to the outcome, a proponent is then authorized under the EAA to proceed with the project.

About the Project

Tara BESS, formerly Grey Owl Storage, is a 400-megawatt (MW), 1600-megawatt hour (MWh) capacity standalone battery energy storage system (BESS) proposed for development on 39 Concession Road 4 in the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, approximately 5-kilometres southeast of the Village of Tara. The project was awarded a 20-year contract by Ontario's Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) in the LT1 RFP procurement. Tara BESS is proposed to store and discharge electricity directly to Ontario's power grid and will to help meet Ontario's growing electricity needs.

About Neoen

Neoen is a leading independent power producer of exclusively renewable energy technologies, including solar and onshore wind power, and energy storage solutions. Neoen has a global portfolio capacity of 8.9-gigawatts (GW) in operation or under construction across 14 countries, including 18 battery projects totalling more than 2 GW of capacity. To learn more about Neoen, visit www.neoen.com.

*Personal information included in your feedback/question, such as name, address, telephone number and property location, is collected, under the authority of Section 30 of the Environmental Assessment Act and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. As the information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) does not apply (s.37). Personal information you submit will become part of the available public record unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

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