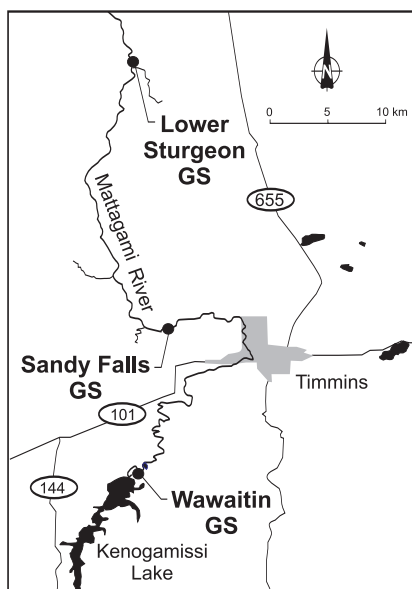


UPPER MATTAGAMI HYDROELECTRIC GENERATING STATION REDEVELOPMENTS

WAWAITIN, SANDY FALLS AND LOWER STURGEON

Ontario Power Generation Inc. (OPG) is proposing to redevelop three hydroelectric generating stations on the Upper Mattagami River on the sites of the existing generating stations at Wawaitin, Sandy Falls, and Lower Sturgeon (the Proposed Undertaking). The Proposed Undertaking will replace certain obsolete and end of service life facilities at these existing 25 cycle generating stations. When completed, the combined capacity of the new generating stations will be approximately 35 megawatts and will produce electricity at 60 cycles which can be used directly in the local distribution system. All three of the generating stations are located on the Upper Mattagami River system within 50 kilometers of the town centre of the City of Timmins (see map).



The Proposed Undertaking consists of the demolition and building of new powerhouses at each site and some refurbishments and modifications made to the existing civil works such as the dams and weirs at each generating station. For both Wawaitin and Sandy Falls, new powerhouses will be built immediately adjacent to the existing ones. For Lower Sturgeon the new powerhouse will be constructed on the same footprint as the existing one.

The new generating stations will continue to meet operating requirements identified in the Water Management Plan for the Mattagami River. The Proposed Undertaking will improve reliability, improve efficiency and increase capacity of the existing renewable resource, while reusing and upgrading existing civil infrastructure. The generating stations will continue to operate as run-of-the-river facilities and be managed so that there is no change to the water levels and flows.

The Proposed Undertaking is subject to the requirements of OPG's Class Environmental Assessment for Modifications to Hydroelectric Facilities under the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act (EA Act)*. In addition, a number of environmental permits and approvals may be required including approvals from the Ontario Ministry of Environment and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT AND PUBLIC REVIEW

The Environmental Report and supporting documentation is now available for a 30 day public review period. The public is invited to check our website for a copy of the Reports at www.uppermattagami-ea.com

The Environmental Report and Supporting Documents are also available for viewing at the following locations:

OFFICE OF THE CITY'S CLERK, City of Timmins, 220 Algonquin Blvd. East, Timmins, Ontario

TIMMINS PUBLIC LIBRARY, 320 Second Avenue, Timmins, Ontario

If an interested party has outstanding environmental concerns about the Proposed Undertaking, please raise these with OPG or SENES Consultants Limited at the contact information below. If we are unable to come to a mutually acceptable resolution, concerned citizens have recourse in a written request to the Director of the Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch, Ministry of the Environment to reclassify (or elevate) the Project to an individual Environmental Assessment under the Environmental Assessment Act. A copy of the reclassification request must also be sent to OPG. The last date when the request for reclassification can be received is **April 10, 2007**.

Ministry of the Environment, Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch, 2 St. Clair Ave. West Floor 12A, Toronto, ON M4V 1L5, Attention: Jim O'Mara, Director

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This notice was issued on **March 7, 2007**.

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Renseignements en français: (705) 267-7033 (ext. 2064).