

# Notice of hearing

## Sweetgrass Solar and Energy Storage Project

**Neoen Renewables Canada Inc. has filed applications for a solar power plant, a battery energy storage system and a substation located near the hamlet of Granum**

**Proceeding 29372**  
**Applications 29372-A001 to 29372-A003**

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), the independent utilities regulator, will be holding a hearing to review the applications and submissions received to consider the power plant, the battery energy storage system and the substation development applications in Proceeding 29372.

**Written evidence is due March 7, 2025.**

**A virtual oral hearing is scheduled to commence on April 28, 2025, at 10 a.m.**

Neoen Renewables Canada Inc. has applied for approval to construct and operate the Sweetgrass Solar and Energy Storage Project consisting of a solar power plant, a battery energy storage system and a collector substation designated as the Sweetgrass 1160S Substation. The project would have a total generation capacity of up to 396 megawatts (MW). The battery energy storage system would have a total capability of 150 MW and a storage capacity of 300 megawatt-hours. Both the battery energy storage system and substation would be located in the southwest quarter of Section 26, Township 10, Range 26, west of the Fourth Meridian. The applications have been filed under the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*.

The project would be sited on approximately 662 hectares (1,635 acres) and would be located on privately owned, cultivated land in the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26, approximately 4.5 kilometres east of the hamlet of Granum. Specifically, project facilities would be located on:

Quarter	Section	Township	Range	Meridian
NE/NW/SE/SW	25	10	26	W4M
NE/NW/SE/SW	26	10	26	W4M
NE/NW/SE/SW	35	10	26	W4M
NE/SE	6	11	25	W4M
NW	36	10	26	W4M

### **Additional information about the applications**

The applications and any associated documents are publicly available and can be accessed from the eFiling System on the AUC website [www.auc.ab.ca](http://www.auc.ab.ca). Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the applications, please contact:

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### **Participant information session**

The AUC holds information sessions to provide information about how to have your say and become involved in its proceedings. The AUC is prepared to provide a telephone or virtual session about options for participating in this proceeding and the local intervener funding that may be available to you to support your participation, if requested by individuals or groups interested in the proceeding. Please contact the lead application officer, Dan Burton, at 403-592-4491 or [dan.burton@auc.ab.ca](mailto:dan.burton@auc.ab.ca) by **January 24, 2025**, if you want to participate in an information session.

For more information about how you may become involved in this proceeding, please contact us or visit our website and review the information under “Get involved.”

### **New Participant Submissions**

If you wish to participate in this proceeding and have not yet been granted standing, please visit our website and log in to the eFiling System, go to Proceeding 29372, and register to participate under the “registered parties” tab. For guidance on how to use the eFiling System, please visit [www.auc.ab.ca/how-to-use-efiling](http://www.auc.ab.ca/how-to-use-efiling). Alternatively, please contact us at 310-4AUC (310-4282) in Alberta or [info@auc.ab.ca](mailto:info@auc.ab.ca) for more information or assistance with filing your submission.

Submissions must include your name, address, phone number, legal land location, description of your land in relation to the proposed development and a description of how you, your land, your business, or your activities may be affected by the proposed project. Please also briefly describe the issues you would like the AUC to consider when making its decision.

Only parties that have filed participation submissions and have been granted standing may be eligible for funding and to fully participate in the hearing.

### **Privacy**

To support an open and transparent process, information you send to the AUC will be publicly available to anyone registered in this proceeding. If there is confidential information you would like to file, a request must be made in advance of filing your submission.

### **Hearing**

The AUC will host a virtual oral hearing, commencing on **April 28, 2025, at 10 a.m.**

The virtual oral hearing will be held remotely using a video conferencing platform. Participants are responsible for ensuring that they have access to all documentary evidence filed on the record

of the proceeding, either through the eFiling System or in their preferred format. Further information about the virtual hearing process will be issued separately.

**Participating in the hearing**

If you intend to present evidence at the hearing, you must submit your written evidence by **March 7, 2025**, and be present at the commencement of the hearing. Your written evidence should include your statement about your intended level of participation, including whether you or your representative will:

- Attend the hearing.
- Cross-examine any of the applicant’s witness panels.

Written evidence can be reports prepared by experts or written information (including maps, charts, photographs and narrative statements) prepared by an intervener personally, and clearly identified as such. Any report that was prepared by an expert, and which is being filed in support of an intervener’s position, must clearly state the qualifications of the expert and the name of the intervener who directed that the report was to be prepared. Please be aware that the author of any report or other written evidence that an intervener expects the Commission to rely upon must be available to be cross-examined at the hearing.

**Summarized process schedule**

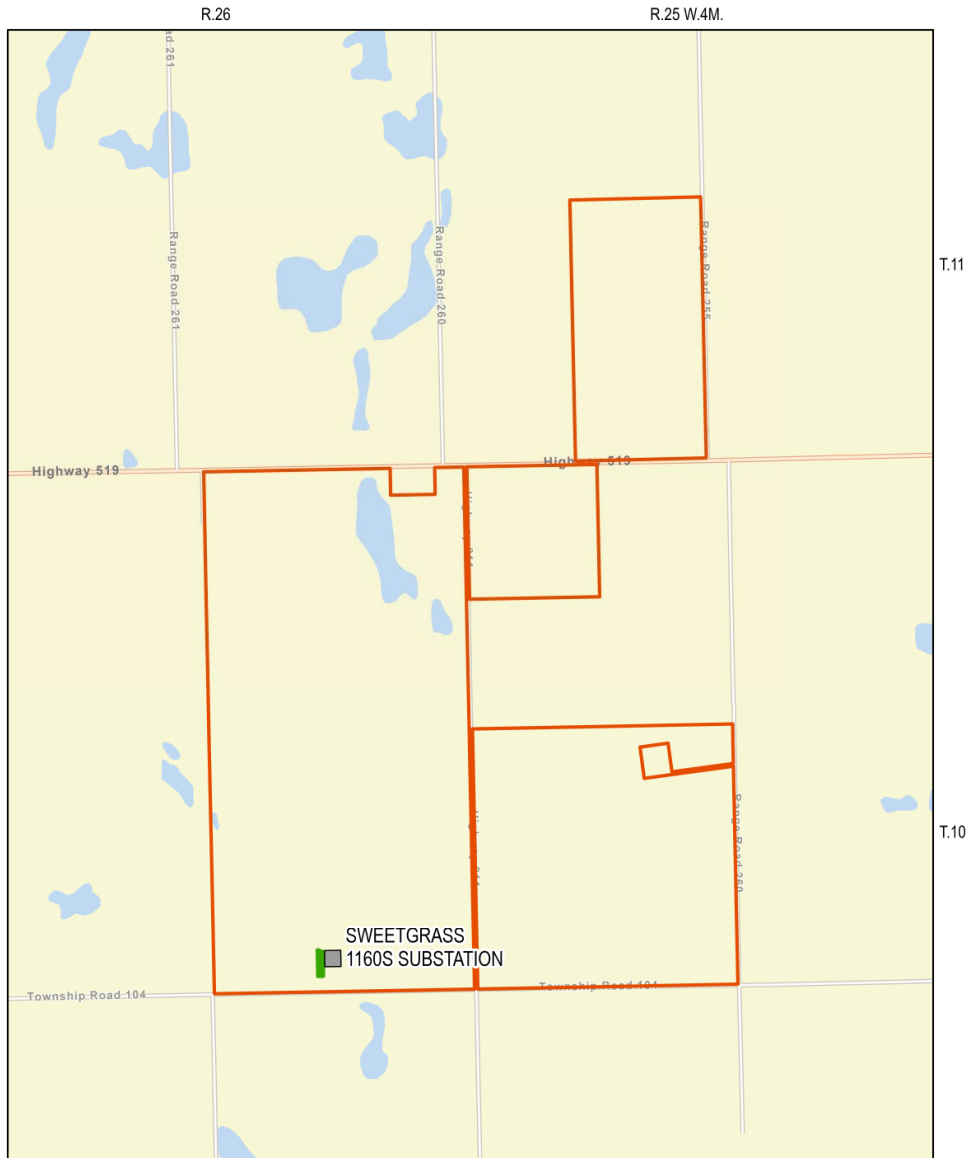
The Commission has established the following process to consider the applications:

<b>Process step</b>	<b>Date*</b>
Interveners’ information requests (questions) to applicant deadline	February 7, 2025
Applicant’s deadline to respond to information requests	February 21, 2025
Interveners’ written evidence deadline	March 7, 2025
Information requests to interveners about intervener evidence	March 21, 2025
Interveners’ deadline to respond to information requests	April 4, 2025
Applicant’s reply evidence deadline	April 16, 2025
Commencement of hearing	April 28, 2025, 10 a.m.




\* All submissions are due by 4 p.m.

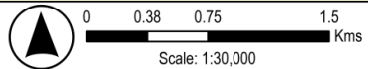
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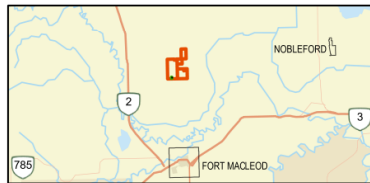
**Legend**

-  Sweetgrass Solar Project Boundary
-  Battery Energy Storage System
-  Substation



Data Source: Alberta Environment and Parks Esri Canada, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc, METINASA, USGS, EPA, US Census Bureau, USDA, NRCan, Parks Canada, Esri Canada, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, FAO, METINASA, USGS, EPA, NRCan, Parks Canada

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