

PROJECT TO UPGRADE THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM BETWEEN AQUEDUC AND SARAGUAY SUBSTATIONS

Hydro-Québec is publishing this notice to inform the public of the commencement of the project's environmental assessment.

The project consists in replacing aging equipment to maintain the reliability of electricity supply, meet future electricity needs and support greater Montréal's economic development.

The project provides for:

- Rebuilding the overhead transmission line, between Aqueduc substation in LaSalle and Saraguay substation in Saint-Laurent, a distance of 18 km, to raise it from 120 kV to 315 kV.
- Construction of three 315 kV transformer substations to replace existing 120-kV substations: Rockfield (Lachine), Hampstead (Côte-Saint-Luc) and Laurent (Saint-Laurent).

The project is part of a broader plan to upgrade the transmission system on the island of Montréal and gradually raise its voltage from 120 kV to 315 kV.

For further information, the public may consult the project notice filed by Hydro-Québec with the Minister of the Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change. The notice includes a description of the project and the project site, as well as the main issues identified and the anticipated impacts on the host environment.

The project notice and the Minister's directive concerning the environmental impact statement are available for consultation in the public register of projects subject to the environmental impact assessment and review procedure, which can be found on the following website (in French only): www.ree.environnement.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person, group or municipality may submit to the Minister, in writing, no later than October 11, 2019, their comments as regards the issues the environmental assessment should address. These comments may be sent to the Minister through the public register at the above-mentioned Internet address.

Additional information in connection with the project's environmental assessment process may be obtained by calling 1 800 561-1616 or by consulting the website of the Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques at www.environnement.gouv.qc.ca.

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