

Feedback Form

East Lake Superior Regional Electricity Planning – November 17, 2020

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What information needs to be considered as we continue to develop solutions leading up to recommendations?	Enhanced focus on energy storage solutions as a non-wires alternative in meeting expected capacity needs. Request that in the final recommendations that analysis on how energy storage solutions were considered should be demonstrated.

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Is there community feedback on the range of potential solutions that should be considered?	

Future Engagement

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What information should be provided in future engagements?	As per above, analysis on how energy storage solutions are being properly considered in meeting regional planning needs.

General Comments/Feedback

As demonstrated in our recent paper, "Unlocking Potential: An Economic Valuation of Energy Storage in Ontario", energy storage can provide immediate benefit to Ontario's electricity sector, however, there are a number of limitations preventing the realization of these benefits. Given the inability to fully integrate energy storage within the market, we recommend that IESO remain open to contracting for the full suite of services energy storage can deliver.

For example, we are encouraged by the IESO's presentation on November 26th which indicated that energy storage is under consideration to meet emerging electricity needs per the West of London Bulk Study. Contracting for services from energy storage to meet needs identified would help to ensure local needs are met cost-effectively, while also supporting broader resource adequacy of the provincial system.