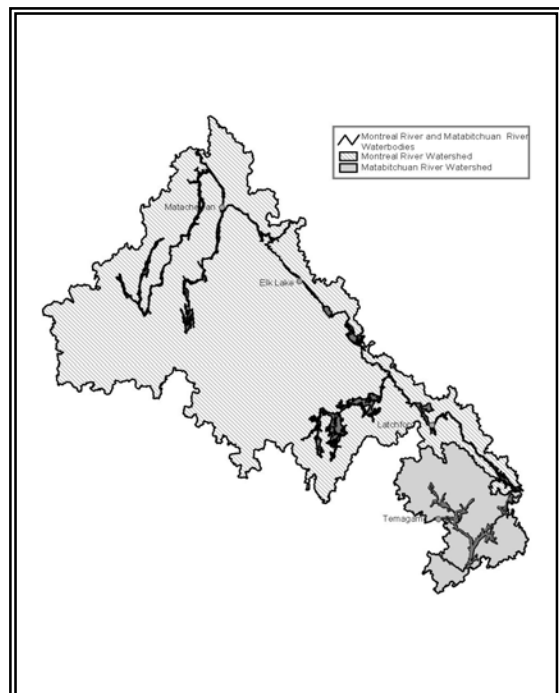
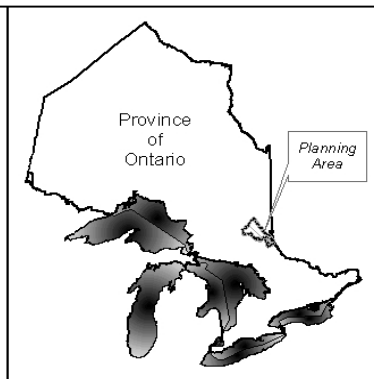


Montreal River and Matabitchuan River Water Management Plan

Scoping Sessions



Proposal:

The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) is requiring a Water Management Plan be developed for the associated storage and generating facilities of the Montreal and Matabitchuan River systems. Facilities owners, Ontario Power Generation Inc.(OPGI), Canadian Hydro Developers Inc.(CHDI), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC), MNR, and the Town of Latchford (which is negotiating to acquire the Bay Lake Dam to develop a generating station) will cooperatively prepare the Water Management Plan for these waterways to ensure that concerns or issues related to the current water management operating plans are addressed.

Public Consultation: Five formal phases of public consultation will be held as follows:

- Phase 1 - Public Notice of the Water Management Plan and creation of the Public Advisory Committee – January 2003 (completed)
- Phase 2 – Scoping workshops for the Water Management Plan – March 2003
- Phase 3 – First Information Center – the Options – October / November 2003
- Phase 4 - Second Information Center – Water Management Plan Draft Review – December 2003
- Phase 5 – Final Water Management Plan Inspection – March 2004

Scoping Session Schedule

The purpose of the scoping session is to provide public review and comment on the draft issues reports, and to request additional contribution to the background information and other information to be considered in the decision making. In addition to the locations below, affected First Nations will have opportunity to attend a session in their home community if requested.

- March 3, 2003 **Elk Lake, Eco Centre**, 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- March 4, 2003 **New Liskeard, Quality Inn** 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- March 5, 2003 **Latchford, Legion Hall** 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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