

**Notice of Study Commencement
Class Environmental Assessment Study
For the 230 kV Transmission Project**

THE STUDY

PUC Transmission LP has initiated a Class Environmental Assessment to evaluate alternatives for a double circuit 230 kV line and a 230/115/34.5 kV substation in the City of Sault St. Marie as part of an expansion of the electrical supply related to load expansion at Algoma Steel. The 230-kV line that will be approximately 14 km long, will start from Third Line Transformer Station (TS), which is located in the City of Sault St. Marie, and will terminate in a new 230/115/34.5 kV substation, which will be located at or near the Algoma Steel plant.

This Study will identify the effects on the environment for the potential circuit routes and determine the preferred route. The Study Area and sites under consideration are shown in the Key Map.

THE PROCESS

The Study is being conducted in accordance with the planning process for Category 'B' projects, subject to the Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities as amended, approved under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act* and *Ontario Regulation (O.Reg.) 116/01* (the electricity project regulation). The Class Environmental Assessment process includes public and agency consultation, the evaluation of alternatives, assessment of the potential effects of the proposed project and the identification of mitigation measures.

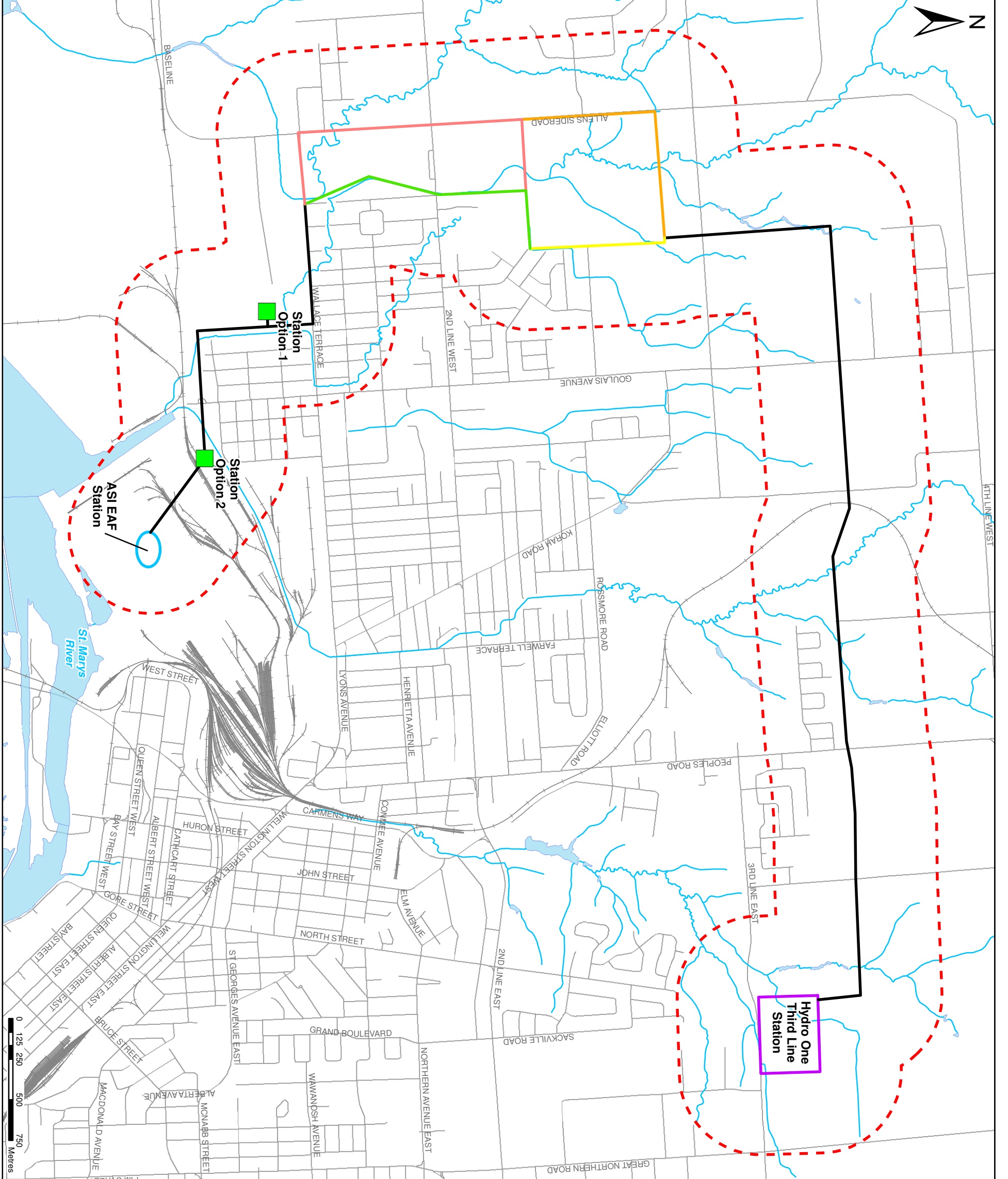
The public will have the opportunity to participate in multiple in-person and virtual open houses to discuss the project as the Study proceeds.

To provide comments, request additional information or to be added to the Project mailing list, please contact either of the following Project Team members or visit our website at www.PUCTransmissionLP.com.

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Under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIOPPA) and the *Access to Information Act*, comments, and information regarding this project, with the exception of personal information, will become part of the public record.





<p>LEGEND:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — ROUTE OPTION 1 — ROUTE OPTION 2 — ROUTE OPTION 3 — ROUTE OPTION 4 COMMON ELEMENTS TO ALL OPTIONS LOCAL STUDY AREA – 500 m RADIUS ■ NEW PUC STATION OPTIONS ALGOMA STEEL INC. (ASI) ELECTRIC ARC FURANCE (EAF) STATION HYDRO ONE THIRD LINE STATION 	
<p>TITLE: PROPOSED STUDY AREA AND ROUTE OPTIONS</p>	
<p>PROJECT: SAULT STE. MARIE 230 KV TRANSMISSION PROJECT: CLASS EA SAULT STE MARIE, ONTARIO</p>	
<p>CLIENT: PUC TRANSMISSION LP</p>	
<p>PROJECT NO.: 221-01502-00</p>	<p>REVIEWED BY: CS</p>
<p>DATE: MARCH 2022</p>	<p>FIGURE: 1</p>