

## Silver to Rosser tap transmission line

Round 1 engagement summary - what we heard

## **Summary**

The Silver to Rosser tap is a new proposed transmission line to connect an existing transmission line (S65R) to Diageo Canada Inc.'s distillery facility in Gimli. Earlier this year, we reached out to First Nations, the Manitoba Métis Federation, Rural Municipalities, property owners and interested parties to share information and seek feedback about the project.

## Key engagement themes

#### **Vegetation**

- Clearance of trees, plants, wetland, medicines
- Use of herbicides for vegetation management

# Wildlife & wildlife habitat

- Increase in invasive species
- Impacts to birds
- Removal of habitat through vegetation clearing

#### **Property**

- Perceived negative impacts to property values
- Restricts future development potential of property

#### Land & resource use

- Reduces ability to use property for recreational purposes
- Disruptions to agriculture and livestock
- Impacts to harvesting

#### Health & well-being

- Exposure to EMF and impacts on people and the environment
- Lack of benefits to communities

#### Access

- Changes in access through new right-ofway
- Trespassing on private property

#### **Tranquility**

- Noise during construction and operation/maintenance
- Impacts to aesthetics from presence of the line

#### Heritage

- Interest in conducting independent heritage studies
- Potential sites with heritage concerns

#### Engagement activities to date

Round 1 engagement on the routing options for the line from February to March 2024 and included:

- 2 virtual information sessions
- 6 meetings with local governments, First Nations and the Manitoba Métis Federation.
- In-person open house in Fraserwood.
- Online survey & feedback portal.



## **Environmental assessment underway**

We are developing an environmental assessment report for the transmission line. We will be submitting this report to Manitoba Environment and Climate Change for approval before construction work on the transmission line can begin.