

ROSE VALLEY WIND INTERCONNECTION

WHAT WE HEARD REPORT

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This What We Heard Report captures input shared by landowners, Rightsholders, local governments, and other stakeholders through engagement completed to date for the Rose Valley Wind Interconnection Project. The feedback outlined below will help inform routing decisions for the new power line connecting the Rose Valley Wind Facility to SaskPower's grid.

SaskPower is reviewing this input and, where possible, will consider it alongside technical, environmental and safety requirements as planning for the new power line continues.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

SaskPower is investing in our province's power system to ensure reliable and affordable power for our customers, while also supporting future growth. As part of this commitment, we've entered into a 30-year agreement with Rose Valley Wind Limited – a joint venture between Potentia Renewables and their Indigenous partner, M-squared Renewables – to purchase power from their new wind facility. Wind facilities are a cost-effective addition to our power supply mix.

To connect the Rose Valley Wind Facility to the province's power system, SaskPower is planning to build:

- A new switching station near the Rose Valley Wind Facility.
- A new seven-kilometre transmission line that will connect the wind facility, the new switching station and an existing power line from our Poplar River Power Station.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- The new power line will follow a route of about seven kilometres.
- H-frame structures will be used and spaced approximately 240 metres (m) apart.
- The line will be built to 230-kilovolt standards and will include a shield wire for added protection against lightning related outages.
- A 40 m easement is required to safely build and operate the line.
- The line will be built above ground as underground lines are much more costly and harder to maintain.

We are committed to working with the Rightsholders, community, landowners, and local governments to share information, listen to feedback, and minimize impacts wherever possible.

WHAT WE DID

In March 2026, we shared project information and gathered feedback through engagement with the RM of Excel and directly with stakeholders.

Engagement activities included:

- Phone and email conversations.
- In-person meetings with approximately 16 landowners at a site office in Assiniboia.

We sincerely thank everyone who took the time to share their perspectives and provide thoughtful, constructive input.

WHAT WE HEARD

The following themes summarize the feedback received so far. This is not a final list, and additional input is welcome.

POWER LINE ROUTING AND LAYOUT

- Some landowners prefer power lines to follow quarter section lines or shared boundaries, rather than crossing parcels diagonally.
- Some landowners expressed a preference to group new infrastructure with existing infrastructure, while others noted they already feel impacted and would prefer to avoid additional equipment on their land.

COMPENSATION AND LAND VALUE

- Landowners raised questions about compensation and the potential for loss of land value associated with the new power line.
- There was interest in understanding how compensation is determined and when details would be shared. SaskPower's current approach to compensation is to share details with landowners affected by the preferred route once the project design is further advanced. Compensation is expected to be influenced by recent land sales in the area, land use, and the number and type of structures located on a property.

FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE CONSIDERATIONS

- Questions were raised about how the proposed power line would interact with existing or planned wind turbines on private land. SaskPower will work with Potentia Renewables Inc. to ensure required setback distances are maintained between wind turbines and the planned power line.

WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Stakeholders noted the presence of active wildlife in the area and emphasized the importance of minimizing environmental impacts where possible.

AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS

Landowners asked that the project:

- Minimize the use of corner structures, anchors, and guy wires.
- Accommodate large equipment.
- Avoid placing structures in the middle of fields.
- Consider current farming practices during routing and design.

WHAT IS NEXT

Feedback gathered is being considered as part of routing and design work to help identify a recommended route for the new power line. We expect to have the proposed route ready by late spring.

Once a recommended route is identified, we'll reconnect with Rightsholders, stakeholders and landowners to:

- Share updated information.
- Seek additional feedback.
- Discuss possible ways to address concerns.

STAY INVOLVED

It's not too late to share additional comments or questions with us.

Please contact us by **April 30, 2026**:

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THINGS WE CONSIDER WHEN PLANNING A PROJECT



INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE:

We engage Indigenous communities to seek invaluable knowledge. Local and Indigenous knowledge refers to the understandings, skills and philosophies developed by societies with long histories of interaction with their natural surroundings like hunting, fishing, trapping, ceremonial and spiritual uses.



ENVIRONMENT:

We consider our potential impacts on many environmental aspects like designated lands, land cover, and heritage resources, as well as on sensitive plants, animals, and their habitats. When it's not possible to avoid these environmental features, we'll work with Rightsholders, stakeholders, and regulators to find the most responsible way to mitigate impacts. We follow SaskPower's Environmental Beneficial Management Practices.



LAND USE:

We recognize that land and resource use is important to agricultural operations, property owners, communities and resource users like hunters and trappers, commercial operators, nature, environmental organizations and the public. We consider how resources or access to resources may be affected as well as community land use plans and proximity to communities, residences, habitable buildings, outbuildings.



SOCIAL:

We consider the social value communities place on landscapes, points of interest, economic benefits to local communities, job opportunities and recreation activities.



TECHNICAL:

We consider engineering and construction standards as well as access, terrain, design, system reliability, proximity to required and other existing infrastructure. SaskPower is committed to ensuring public safety and safe access for construction and maintenance activities.



COST:

We consider capital costs (project budget), operating budget (long term maintenance), land acquisition costs and impact on power rates.



WHAT ARE WE MISSING?

Tell us in the feedback form provided.