

SUBJECT AREA: Property, Clearing

REFERENCE: MCWS MMTP IR No 1

QUESTION:

Please provide comments on the concerns from Mr. Darren Bouchard regarding the potential impacts of the proposed tree clearing on his property.

RESPONSE:

- 1 Based on the information provided, the property in question is NE 32-005-08E1 located in the
- 2 RM of La Broquerie as outlined in the following map. The proposed transmission line follows
- 3 the quarter section line between NE 32-005-08E1 and NW 32-005-08E1.
- 4 Woodlots and shelterbelts were considered throughout the environmental assessment and
- 5 were reviewed and assessed in Chapter 16, Effects on Land and Resource Use, of the EIS.
- 6 As Mr. Bouchard has indicated that a managed woodlot and shelterbelt is located on the
- 7 property in question, Manitoba Hydro will compensate for relocation, compensate for loss or
- 8 will work with the landowner to determine other options to maintain the woodlot and
- 9 shelterbelt where possible.
- 10 As outlined in section 16.5.6.2, "Mitigation for Change in Forested Areas"
- 11 "Locations of tree improvement sites, private managed woodlots and shelterbelts will be
- identified in the Construction Environmental Protection Plan (CEnvPP) for the line to limit
- damage from construction activities (e.g., errant construction equipment).
- 14 Farmsteads and rural residences with shelterbelts established for aesthetic and
- 15 environmental values affected by Project activities will be compensated by Manitoba

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- Manitoba Hydro will re-establish shelterbelts outside of the ROW where possible in such
 areas affected."
- 19 In addition, Mr. Bouchard owns the timber located on NE 32-005-08E1 and construction crews
- will clear and pile the timber from his property for his ongoing use.

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QUESTION:

Please provide comments on the concerns from Mr. Darryl Beger regarding fragmentation of his property by the proposed transmission line.

RESPONSE:

- 1 The proposed transmission line will travel through the property, bisecting the parcel (NW 15-
- 2 009-07E1) as outlined in the following map.
- 3 In the surrounding area, concern regarding quarry development, residential development and
- 4 subdivisions were raised. Preference to parallel the existing transmission line R49R was brought
- 5 forward as a general preference during public engagement and additional length of paralleling
- 6 is part of the final preferred route. The various competing interests in the region and
- 7 preferences for parallel were brought forward, considered and incorporated in the route
- 8 determination process. This alignment addresses and balances numerous concerns in the area.
- 9 Regarding residential development, Manitoba Hydro restricts permanent structures to be
- located within the right-of-way (in this area 80m in width). Outside of this right-of-way,
- 11 residential development and subdivisions following local municipal by-laws (zoning and
- 12 development plans) can occur.
- 13 With respect to concerns raised regarding wildlife in the area, Manitoba Hydro assessed the
- potential effects of the project on various wildlife species as outlined in Chapter 9 of the EIS.
- 15 Numerous mitigation measures are outlined in the EIS as well as associated monitoring
- 16 activities to determine the effectiveness of these mitigation measures as part of the
- 17 Environmental Protection Program.

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as the project progresses.

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Manitoba Hydro will work with landowners to discuss compensation and access as part of the ongoing communication and engagement strategy for the Project. Manitoba Hydro will compensate landowners 150% of market value for the easement necessary to construct, operate and maintain the transmission line, offer the timber removed to be piled off the right of way for use by the landowner or removed from the property and will discuss access concerns

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