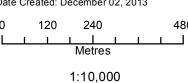




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Local Road • Winter Road - Railway (Operational) -+ Railway (Discontinued)

Mining
Provincial Park

■ Transmission Line \* Angle Tower Locations Highway BPIII Final Preferred Route Major Road == 66 m Right of Way

Points of Access\*

 Proposed Access Point Major Stream Crossing

Abandoned Rail Crossing

A Rail Crossing Transmission Line Crossing

Proposed Access Route
\*Labels correspond to BPIII
Access Management Database

Ecosystem Habitat Species of Concern

Wildlife

Mammals and Habitat Soils and Terrain Permafrost

**Bipole III Transmission Project Construction Environmental Protection Plan Construction Section N2 Environmentally Sensitive Site Locations** 

MAP NUMBER: 110

**ESS Group**: Mammals

Sec-Seg ID	ESS ID	ESS Name	Location	Start	Stop	UTM Zone	Distance
N2-S28	N2-Wild-200	MCWS Caribou Sensitive Area	Site: 445 to 446	E- 513131 N-6072016	E-504973 N-6059662	14N	14805 m
N2-S28	N2-Wild-200	MCWS Caribou Sensitive Area	Site: 469 to 470	E- 504973 N-6059662	E-501860 N-6060005	14N	3131 m

## **Potential Effects:**

Potential disturbance to and loss of sensitive caribou habitat

# Specific Mitigation:

- Harvest within caribou range boundary will not include shear blading except for access, conductor stringing trails, and tower footprints.
- No shear blading to clear the right of way (ROW) in the sensitive range. Selective cutting methods will only be used to remove danger trees, vegetation within tower footprint, access route, and helicopter access points, to maintain low tree, shrub and herb plant communities on the ROW. Use existing access roads and trails to the extent possible
- Maintenance trails to be maintained to reduce line of sight for hunters and predators. Remove trees by low-disturbance methods
- Annual ground inspection of towers to occur late in winter season to avoid creating packed snow trails that facilitate predator use of the ROW.
- Any Manitoba Hydro constructed or improved access routes used to access the ROW for construction
  that will not be needed for future maintenance will be decommissioned on completion of construction.
  Any culverts or road improvements will be removed and the first 100 m from of the trail dug up to
  the extent possible. Available slash <1 m in height will also be evenly distributed over the access
  route to reduce the possibility of use by ATV traffic.</li>

**ESS Group**: Permafrost

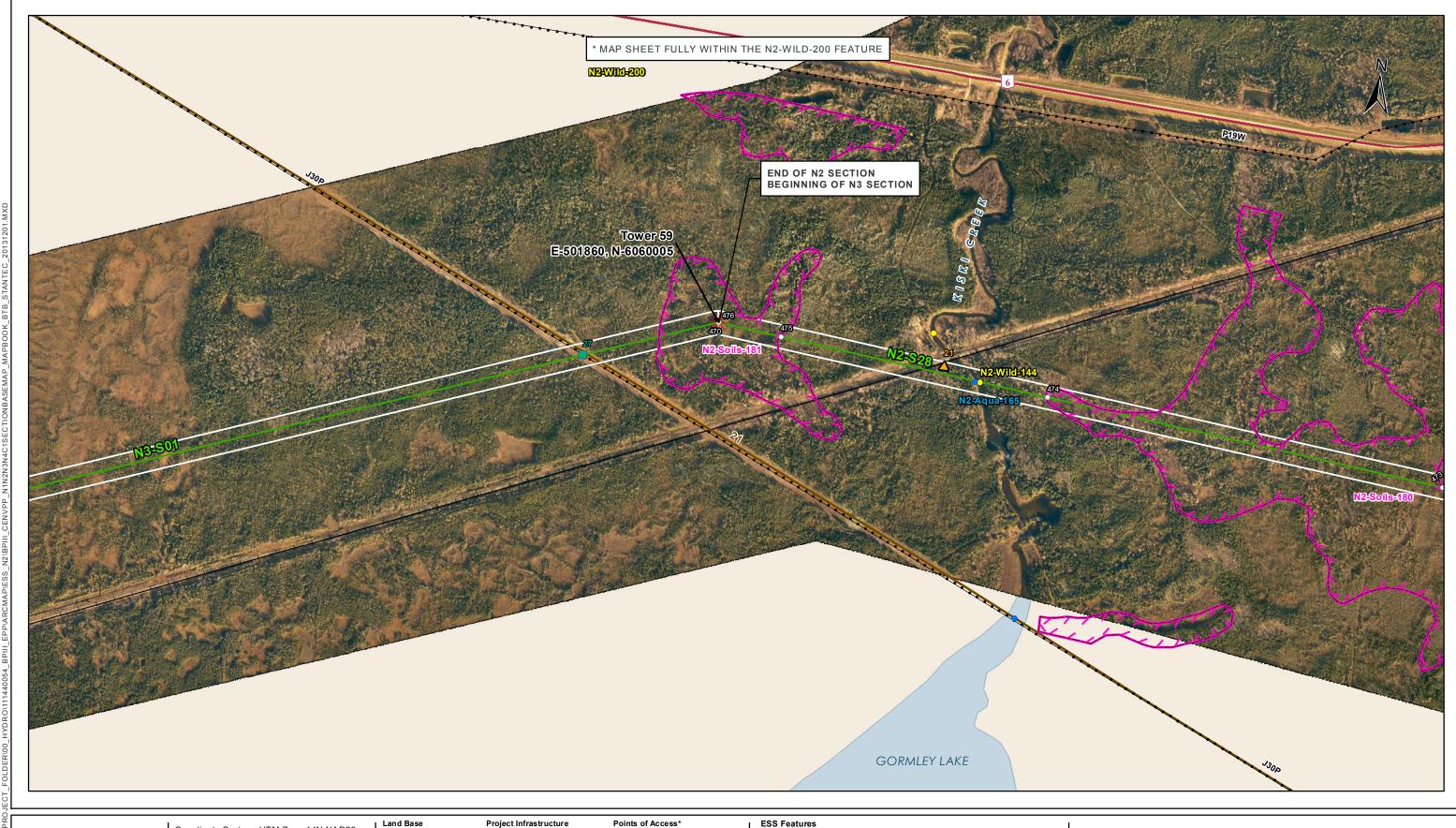
Sec-Seg ID	ESS ID	ESS Name	Location	Start	Stop	<b>UTM Zone</b>	Distance
N2-S27	N2-Soils-178	Permafrost	Site: 463 to 464	E-506709 N-6062291	E-506614 N-6062147	14N	172 m
N2-S27	N2-Soils-179	Permafrost	Site: 465 to 466	E-506230 N-6061566	E-506187 N-6061501	14N	77 m
N2-S27	N2-Soils-179	Permafrost	Site: 467 to 468	E-506092 N-6061357	E-505357 N-6060244	14N	1334 m
N2-S28	N2-Soils-180	Permafrost	Site: 471 to 472	E-504193 N-6059748	E-504030 N-6059766	14N	164m
N2-S28	N2-Soils-180	Permafrost	Site: 473 to 474	E-503946 N-6059776	E-502808 N-6059901	14N	1145 m

## **Potential Effects:**

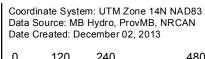
Melting or loss of permafrost due to disturbance of the active layer

## **Specific Mitigation:**

- · Carry out construction activities on frozen ground to minimize surface damage and rutting
- Use existing trails, roads or cut lines whenever possible as access routes
- Avoid organic soils containing permafrost to the extent possible
- Maintain shrub and herbaceous vegetation to the extent possible
- Remove trees by low-disturbance methods
- Confine vehicle traffic to established trails to the extent possible
- Implement erosion protection before commencing construction in accordance with Erosion/Sediment Control Plan







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■ Transmission Line Highway

Major Road Local Road

• Winter Road - Railway (Operational) + Railway (Discontinued) Mining
Provincial Park

\* Angle Tower Locations BPIII Final Preferred Route == 66 m Right of Way

Proposed Access Point Major Stream Crossing

Abandoned Rail Crossing A Rail Crossing

Transmission Line Crossing Proposed Access Route
\*Labels correspond to BPIII
Access Management Database

 Water Crossing Wildlife

 Birds and Habitat Wildlife

Mammals and Habitat Soils and Terrain

**Bipole III Transmission Project Construction Environmental Protection Plan Construction Section N2 Environmentally Sensitive Site Locations** 

MAP NUMBER: 111

**ESS Group**: Mammals

Sec-Seg ID	ESS ID	ESS Name	Location	Start	Stop	UTM Zone	Distance
N2-S28	N2-Wild-200	MCWS Caribou Sensitive Area	Site: 469 to 470	E- 504973 N-6059662	E-501860 N-6060005	14N	3131 m

# **Potential Effects:**

Potential disturbance to and loss of sensitive caribou habitat

### Specific Mitigation:

- Harvest within caribou range boundary will not include shear blading except for access, conductor stringing trails, and tower footprints.
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ESS Group: Birds and Habitat

Sec-Seg I	ESS ID	ESS Name	Easting	Northing	UTM Zone
N2-S28	N2-Wild-145	Unnamed creek crossing	502615	6059921	14N

## **Potential Effects:**

Higher risk of wire collision, disturbance during breeding and nesting, risk of wire collision is localized to the right-of-way while construction disturbance can effect colonies up to 400 meters away

# Specific Mitigation:

- Adhere to reduced risk timing windows for protection of birds (August 1- April 30)
- Conduct priority assessment for bird diverters and other measures prior to transmission line stringing
- Install bird diverters or other measures at high priority sites
- Monitor bird density and mortality/injury in accordance with Biophysical Monitoring Plan and adjust mitigation accordinglyere to reduced risk timing windows for protection of birds (August 1- April 30)

## ESS Group: Permafrost

Sec-Seg ID	ESS ID	ESS Name	Location	Start	Stop	UTM Zone	Distance
N2-S28	N2-Soils-181	Permafrost	Site: 475 to 476	E-502040 N-6059985	E-501860 N-6060005	14N	181 m
N2-S28	N2-Soils-180	Permafrost	Site: 47 to 474	E-503946 N-6059776	E-502808 N-6059901	14N	1145 m

#### **Potential Effects:**

Melting or loss of permafrost due to disturbance of the active layer

## Specific Mitigation:

- Carry out construction activities on frozen ground to minimize surface damage and rutting
- Use existing trails, roads or cut lines whenever possible as access routes
- Avoid organic soils containing permafrost to the extent possible
- Maintain shrub and herbaceous vegetation to the extent possible
- Remove trees by low-disturbance methods
- Confine vehicle traffic to established trails to the extent possible
- Implement erosion protection before commencing construction in accordance with Erosion/Sediment Control Plan

## **ESS Group**: Water Crossing

Sec- Seg ID	ESS ID	ESS Name	Easting	Northing	UTM Zone	Channel Width	Wet Width	Hahitat	Habitat Sensitivity
N2-S22	N2- Aqua- 165	Unnamed tributary of Gormley Lake	502615	6059921	14N	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### **Potential Effects:**

Habitat loss & contamination from structure foundations & installations; increased erosion & sedimentation of streams; damage to stream banks; loss of riparian vegetation

#### Specific Mitigation:

- Carry out construction activities on frozen ground to minimize surface damage, rutting and erosion
- Use existing trails, roads or cut lines whenever possible as access routes
- Identify and flag buffer areas prior to start of work
- Riparian Buffers shall be a minimum of 30m and increase in size based on slope of land entering waterway. Within
  these buffers shrub and herbaceous understory veg will be maintained along with trees that do not violate MH Veg
  Clearance Requirements
- 7m no machine zone will restrict equipment in close proximity to the waterbody except at the trail crossing
- Adhere to Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) Operational Statements for Temporary Stream Crossings, Ice Bridges and Snow Fills, and Overhead Line Construction
- No instream works or fording from April 15 July 15