

ROUTE SELECTION

1. Stantec Consulting Ltd. (“Stantec”), an independent environmental consultant, was retained by Enbridge Gas Inc. (“Enbridge”) to undertake an environmental study for a proposed pipeline route which would provide natural gas to service the Georgian Sands planned subdivision in Simcoe County, Ontario (the “Project”).
2. One Preliminary Preferred Route (“PPR”) was identified as the only feasible route for the pipeline. Due to technical and environmental constraints in the Study Area, the preferred route was identified as the only feasible route for the Project. The location of the preferred route can be found at Appendix A, Figure A2 in the Environmental Report (“ER”) filed as Exhibit C, Tab 1, Schedule 3, Attachment 1.
3. The PPR would start within the Township of Springwater at Flos Road 4 West and Vigo Road, and terminates at the planned Georgian Sands subdivision at Flos Road 8 West and Rylan Road at the Town of Wasaga Beach boundary. The PPR will be located within the municipal road allowance. The length of the PPR is approximately 6.4 km.
4. A consultation program was implemented to receive input from federal and provincial agencies, conservation authorities, municipal personnel and elected officials, Indigenous communities, special interest groups, and residents and businesses within 500 m of the preliminary preferred route. No issues were identified during the consultation program. An overview of the consultation plan can be found in Section 3.0 of the ER, and Appendix B of the ER found at Exhibit C, Tab 1, Schedule 3, Attachment 1.

Preferred Route

5. Based on route evaluation and input received, the PPR has been confirmed as the preferred pipeline route. Due to technical and environmental constraints in the Study Area, the preferred route is the only potential route presented because there are no feasible alternative routes. Only one feasible route was identified due to the following:

- A route coming in from the north is not possible as there is no existing Enbridge infrastructure that the pipeline could be tied into;
- A route following the road allowance of Atkinson Road (the next road to the west), would result in additional turns, and a less direct and longer route;
- A route following a road allowance further east would result in a considerably longer route; and,
- A route not following a road allowance would result in the disturbance and potential impacts to various environmental features (e.g., woodlot, wetland) that would not otherwise be disturbed.

Therefore, the preliminary preferred route was identified as the only feasible route for the Project. Please refer to Section 2.0, and Appendix A, Figure A2 within the ER found at Exhibit C, Tab 1, Schedule 3, Attachment 1.

6. The preferred pipeline route will be located within the municipal road allowance. The entirety of this road allowance has been disturbed by previous road or utility maintenance activities and no significant impacts are anticipated.
7. Enbridge supports the findings made by Stantec.

8. The Pipeline will follow the preferred pipeline route and will be installed within the existing road allowance. All required land easements, permits and necessary agreements will be coordinated with the following entities (as applicable):

- *Ontario Energy Board*
- *Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport*
- *Simcoe County*
- *Town of Wasaga Beach*
- *Township of Springwater*
- *Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority*