

**ATTACHMENT: November 22, 2019**

**Federal Authority Advice Record**

**Response due by December 12, 2019**

Prairie Lights Power Project – Prairie Lights Power GP Inc.

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1. Is it probable that your department or agency may be required to exercise a power or perform a duty or function related to the Project to enable it to proceed?  
If yes, specify the Act of Parliament and that power, duty or function.

Transport Canada (TC) may be required to exercise a power or perform a duty or function with respect to the Canadian Navigable Waters Act (CNWA) based on the initial Project description provided. TC requires further detailed project information, outlined in response 6, to confirm whether or not TC would be required to issue an approval to enable the project to proceed.

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2. Is your department or agency in possession of specialist or expert information or knowledge that may be relevant to the conduct of an impact assessment of the Project?

Relevant to the conduct of an impact assessment of the Project, Transport Canada's Navigation Protection Program (NPP) may be able to provide specialist or expert information or knowledge with respect to the CNWA and impacts to navigation.

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3. Has your department or agency considered the Project; exercised a power or performed a duty or function under any Act of Parliament in relation to the Project; or taken any course of action that would allow the Project to proceed in whole or in part?

Transport Canada requires more information with respect to the water intake infrastructure (location, project date, project methodology, NPP file number for existing infrastructure) that is currently placed along Smoky River to determine if the existing infrastructure has been previously reviewed and approved by NPP.

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4. Has your department or agency had previous contact or involvement with the proponent or other party in relation to the Project? (for example, enquiry about methodology, guidance, or data; introduction to the project)

Provide an overview of the information or advice exchanged.

No

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5. Does your department or agency have additional information or knowledge not specified, above?

Specify as appropriate.

No

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6. From the perspective of the mandate and area(s) of expertise of your department or agency, what are the issues that should be addressed in the impact assessment of the Project, should the Agency determine that an impact assessment is required?

For each issue discussed, provide a concise, plain-language summary that is appropriate for inclusion in the Summary of Issues.

As outlined in TC's response to Question #1, further detailed project information is required to determine potential impacts to navigation. The information TC requires prior to determining or providing advice on the project's impacts to navigation includes:

- All final watercourse crossing locations, size and crossing type (pipeline and transmission line) in order to conduct navigational assessments;
  - Construction methodology for both the proposed pipeline and transmission line;
  - Details of the existing infrastructure (location, project date, project methodology, NPP file number for existing infrastructure) along Smoky River proposed for use according to the Initial Project Description;
  - Proposed operational/management plan related to the water intake including the timing and volumes of water withdrawal and resulting impacts to water levels and navigation; and
  - Potential cumulative impacts to navigation in conjunction with surrounding works (E.g. water intake, bridges, diversions, transmission lines, pipelines) in the regional study area as defined by the Impact Assessment Agency.
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