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Dear Neighbour:

Re: South Surrey Area Reinforcement Project Update

As you may recall, we have sent you letters in the past regarding the South Surrey Area Reinforcement (SSAR) Project. South Surrey is growing and its need for electricity is increasing. To make sure we can keep meeting your power needs, we are upgrading the transmission power line that brings power into your community, and two substations in your area that 'step down' this high-voltage power so it can be used by your homes and businesses.

This project includes:

- replacing 5 km of the transmission line along Highway 10 between 160 Street and 184 Street,
- expanding the Nicomekl Substation and installing new equipment, and
- adding and updating equipment at the White Rock Substation.

Upcoming construction activities

The SSAR project is preparing for the construction phase and we expect to start construction in early 2017. A high-level construction schedule is outlined below, subject to change.

Milestone	Date
Site preparation for Nicomekl Substation upgrade • tree clearing	Early March 2017 (approximately two weeks)
Nicomekl Substation upgrade	Spring 2017 to May 2018
Transmission line upgrade	July 2017 to May 2018
White Rock Substation upgrade	May 2018 to November 2018
In-service date	Late November 2018

Tree clearing on the north and east sides of Nicomekl Substation will be done first to avoid bird nesting season. This way, birds are able to select other nearby trees as nesting sites. New trees will be planted in spring 2018 when work at this substation is complete.

Where is this happening?

The enclosed map shows you where we're going to complete these system upgrades.

The Nicomekl Substation will be expanded onto property that we already own, and the work at White Rock Substation will be completed within the existing substation.

Where can you find more information?

We will continue to keep you informed as the project moves forward. Please visit bchydro.com/ssar for more information, or contact us at stakeholderengagement@bchydro.com or 1 866 647 3334.

Sincerely,

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Encl.: South Surrey Area Reinforcement Project Map

