



The Consolidated Hearings Act,
1981 (S.O. 1981, c.20)

IN THE MATTER OF Sections 2 and 3 of The Consoli-
dated Hearings Act (S.O. 1981, c. 20).

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IN THE MATTER OF Sections 12(2) and (3) of the
Environmental Assessment Act (R.S.O. 1980, c.
140).

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IN THE MATTER OF Sections 6, 7 and 8 of the Expropria-
tions Act (R.S.O. 1980, c. 148)

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IN THE MATTER OF an undertaking of Ontario Hydro
consisting of the planning of, selection of locations for,
acquisition of property rights for, and the design, con-
struction, operation and maintenance of additional bulk
electricity system facilities in eastern Ontario consisting
of switching and transformer stations, communications
and control facilities, transmission lines and related facili-
ties.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

TAKE NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE
HELD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR ONTARIO
HYDRO'S PROPOSED TRANSMISSION SYSTEM
EXPANSION IN EASTERN ONTARIO;

AND TAKE NOTICE THAT IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND
AT THE HEARING OR MAKE A WRITTEN REPRESENTATION,
THE JOINT BOARD MAY PROCEED WITH THE HEARING IN YOUR
ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FURTHER
NOTICE IN THE PROCEEDINGS;

AND TAKE NOTICE THAT YOUR LAND MAY BE
EXPROPRIATED FOR ANY FACILITIES WHICH
MAY BE APPROVED.

TIME AND PLACE OF PRELIMINARY HEARING

The public hearing to consider the location of transmission lines, telecommunication towers, and related facilities between Lennox G.S. (near Kingston) and Ottawa, and between Ottawa and Cornwall, will begin with a preliminary hearing to be held:

AT: (Location)

ON: (Date)

AT: (Time)

At that time the Joint Board will consider procedural matters, including, but not necessarily restricted to:

- a) identification of the parties and participants;
- b) identification of issues; and,
- c) setting and announcing the dates and location(s) for the presentation of evidence to the Joint Board.

IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD BY THE JOINT BOARD

If you wish to participate in the hearing or if you wish to make submissions to the Joint Board regarding procedural matters, you should:

- EITHER - Advise the Joint Board of your intention to participate and any submissions on procedural matters by sending them in writing to be received by the Deputy Hearings Registrar no later than (three days before the commencement date);
- OR - Attend or be represented at the hearing on (the commencement date).

If you do not wish to participate in the preliminary hearing but do wish to receive a copy of the Joint Board's order resulting from the preliminary hearing, either telephone collect (416-965-2531) or write to the Deputy Hearings Registrar providing your name and mailing address.

The hearing may take place at various locations. It will be your responsibility to contact the Deputy Hearings Registrar to determine the dates, times and locations for the hearing as it proceeds.

THE ORDER OF CALLING OF EVIDENCE

It is expected that following the preliminary hearing, the Joint Board will begin to hear evidence in January, 1985, on issues common to both the West Section and the East Section (shown on the route stage study area map opposite). This will include an update on the need for the facilities, alternatives, and the description of the proposed facilities, and is therefore of interest to persons in both the West and East Sections.

The Joint Board will then hear evidence on the location of facilities in the West Section.

The Joint Board will not hear evidence on the location of facilities in the East Section until June, 1985. This is because the recommended locations for the East Section facilities will not be identified by Ontario Hydro until February, 1985. A further notice advising of the location, date and time for the hearing of evidence on the location of the East Section facilities will be given in March, 1985.

PROPOSAL

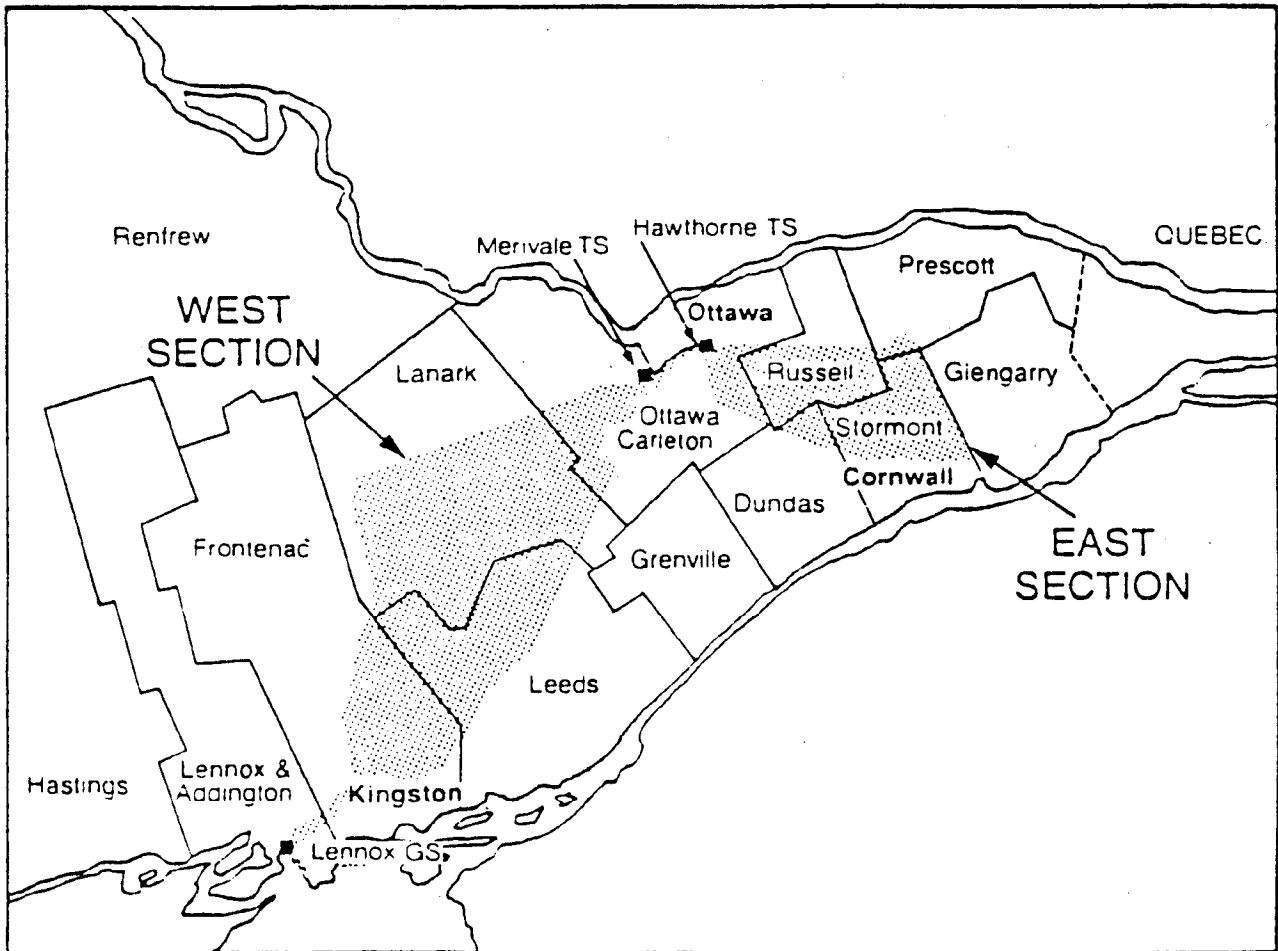
Ontario Hydro's proposal is for a major expansion of its high-voltage electrical transmission system in eastern Ontario. This would involve constructing new transmission lines, telecommunication towers, and related facilities, and acquiring new rights-of-way for that purpose. The alternative locations are shown on the West and East Section maps.

PREVIOUS HEARING

In September, 1982, after a public hearing on the expansion of Ontario Hydro's transmission system in eastern Ontario, the Joint Board established under The Consolidated Hearings Act, 1981 approved an approximate route stage study area within which the transmission lines, telecommunication towers, and related facilities could be located. This approval of the Joint Board was without constraint to any future decision or decisions to be made by the Joint Board.

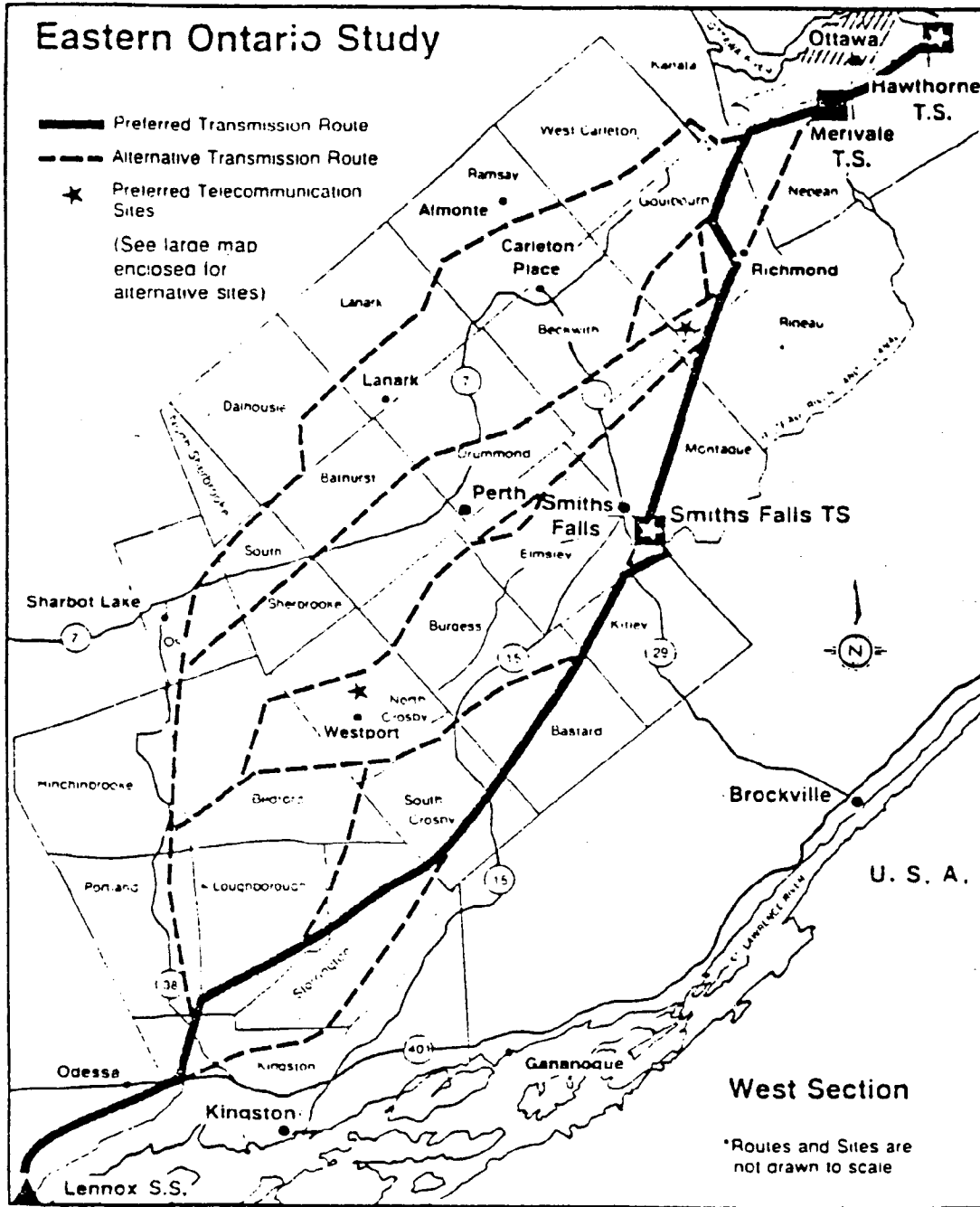
ROUTE STAGE STUDY AREA

The shaded areas on this map show the approximate route stage study areas. The area between Lennox Generating Station (near Kingston) and Ottawa is called the "West Section". The area between Ottawa and Cornwall is called the "East Section".



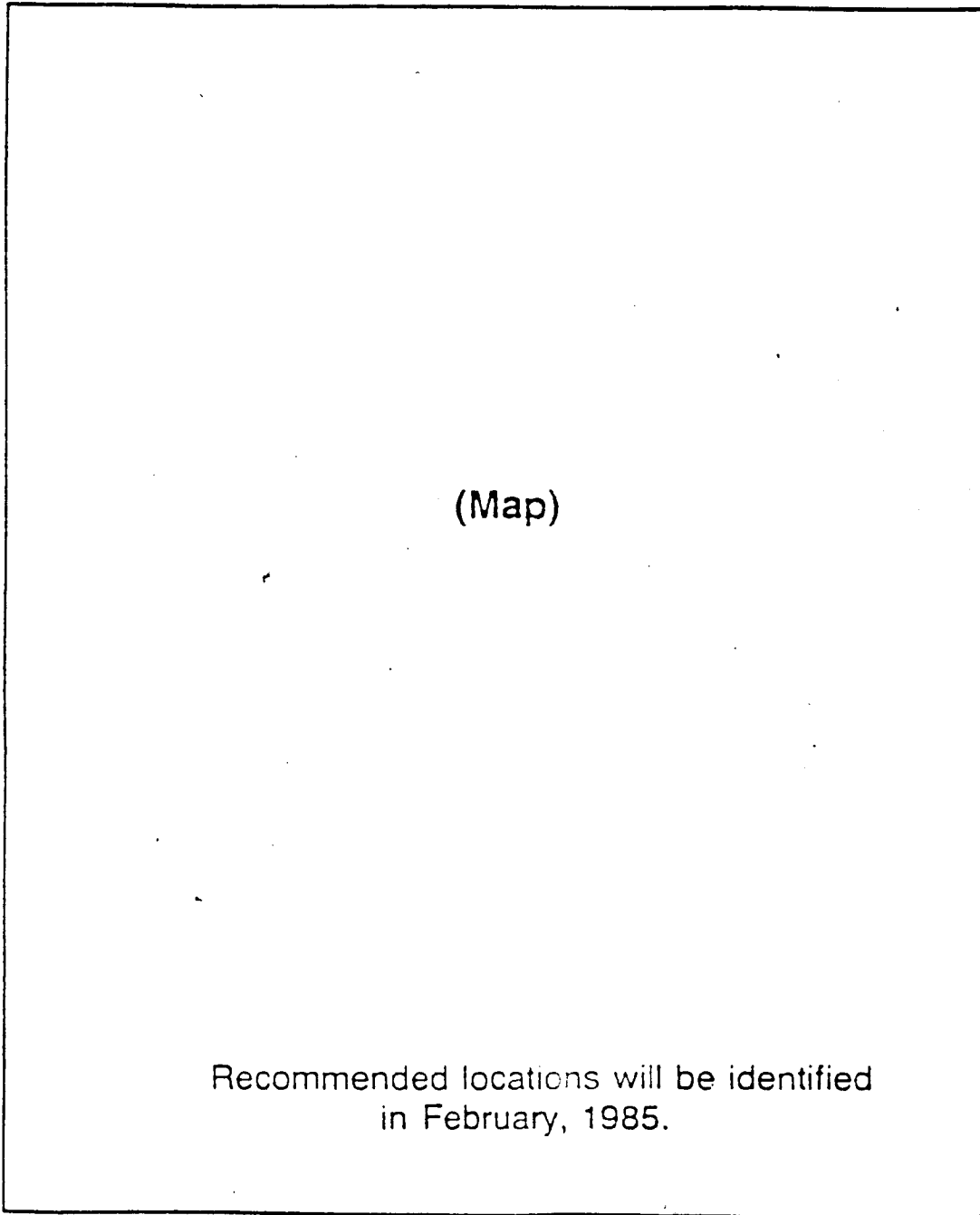
THE JOINT BOARD MAY CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL ANY OF THE RECOMMENDED OR ALTERNATIVE LOCATIONS OR ANY OTHER LOCATION WITHIN THE ROUTE STAGE STUDY AREA. THE DECISION RESULTING FROM THIS HEARING WILL DETERMINE THE LOCATION OF ANY TRANSMISSION LINES, TELECOMMUNICATION TOWERS, AND OTHER FACILITIES WHICH MAY BE APPROVED, AND YOUR LAND MAY BE EXPROPRIATED FOR THESE FACILITIES AS A RESULT OF THE JOINT BOARD'S DECISION.

Map of West Section Alternative and Recommended Locations



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Map of East Section Alternative Locations



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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

An Environmental Assessment of the proposed transmission lines, telecommunication towers, and related facilities will be submitted to the Joint Board in three volumes.

Volume 1 - covers those aspects of the environmental assessment which relate to both the West Section and the East Section, including updated information on the need for the facilities, alternatives, and the description of the proposed facilities.

Volume 2 - covers the identification of alternative locations for the West Section facilities, and the location recommended by Ontario Hydro. The map on the previous page shows the recommended and alternative locations. A larger map of the West Section is enclosed.

Volume 3 - covers the identification of alternative locations for the East Section facilities, and the location recommended by Ontario Hydro. The map on the previous page shows the alternative locations. A larger map of the East Section is enclosed. The recommended alternative will be identified in February, 1985.

Volumes 1 and 2 have been filed with the Joint Board and the Minister of the Environment. A Summary of these two volumes is enclosed.

Volume 3 will be filed on or before March 1, 1985, and a Summary of that volume, identifying the recommended location, will be available at that time.

REVIEW OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The Minister of the Environment will prepare and publish a Review of the Environmental Assessment. A notice advertising the completion of the Review will be published by the Minister on or about the following dates:

For Volumes 1 and 2 - November 1, 1984

For Volume 3 - May 1, 1985

POWERS OF THE JOINT BOARD

The purpose of the hearing is to enable the Joint Board to make any decision and order:

(A) PURSUANT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT, regarding:

- (i) the acceptance or amendment and acceptance of the environmental assessment;
- (ii) whether approval to proceed with the undertaking in respect of which the environmental assessment was submitted, should or should not be given; and
- (iii) whether the approval mentioned in clause (ii) should be given subject to terms and conditions, and if so, the provisions of such terms and conditions;

(B) PURSUANT TO THE EXPROPRIATIONS ACT, regarding:

- (i) whether the taking of lands is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of Ontario Hydro; and
- (ii) whether approval of such expropriations, with or without modifications, as may be required to carry out this undertaking should or should not be given.

FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the Joint Board will give notice of its decision and reasons by placing them in the record of public hearing.

Hearing No. CH-81-01

Dated at Toronto this
day of

1984

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