

Notice of Final Testing and Operations

December 20, 2019

Swift River Energy Limited (SREL) is the builder, owner, and operator of the Bala Generating Station. Starting as early as January 8, 2020 and for approximately 3 weeks, Swift River will be carrying out final testing. Testing will initially be carried out from 7am – 6pm. Approximately half way through the period, testing will occur for 24 hours a day, including weekends. Upon completion of final testing procedures, the power plant will be going into operation.

Members of the public and stakeholders can be assured that the testing procedures have been prepared by experts. Plans have been carefully developed with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and Ontario Power Generation. During testing, SREL will be coordinating with them several times a day. Daily variations in water flows will cause some fluctuation of water levels. However, the test program has been prepared to maintain water levels within the Best Management Zone as outlined in the Muskoka River Water Management Plan for various reservoirs from Lake Muskoka to Go Home Lake. The MNRF will continue to operate the Bala North and South Dam during this time.

During testing, the public is advised to exercise caution. SREL will be monitoring the vicinity of the Bala Generating Station and dams but the public is requested to assist by remaining clear of the area immediately adjacent to the station during this period.

For any questions or concerns or updates, please call, send us an email, or follow us on Twitter. We will endeavor to respond within 24 hours. In the case of an emergency, please call 911.

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ABOUT: The North Bala Small Hydro Project is a 4.7 Megawatt run-of-river waterpower facility at Bala's North Dam. Project benefits include a new park joining the two halves of Bala, a new observation deck overlooking the Moon River, more parking spaces, and creation of additional fish habitat. The project will come online in 2019.