

A new substation to support the development of downtown Montréal

Project update

Hydro-Québec is planning to build a new substation in your area. The project is essential to guarantee service reliability and meet the growing demand for electricity in downtown Montréal.

This project to build a new fully indoor substation replaces the Berri and Dorchester substation projects that were under study.

Over the past few months, significant efforts have been invested to merge the two projects. By broadening the study area and integrating the infrastructure, only one site is now needed to meet all the project requirements: the former Institut des Sœurs de la Miséricorde.

Located on Boulevard René-Lévesque Est between Rue Saint-Hubert and Rue Saint-André, the site is at the intersection of the power service areas of Berri and Dorchester substations (see map on reverse).

The scale of the site will allow Hydro-Québec to incorporate other uses.

Public participation: A key part of our process

Hydro-Québec is currently in the very early planning stages of this initiative. Our goal is to develop a project with the least impact by seeking an optimal balance between the social, environmental, technical, heritage and economic considerations while setting out appropriate mitigation measures.

Hydro-Québec hopes to work in cooperation with local residents and business owners through these initial stages.

In the coming weeks, Hydro-Québec will hold meetings to share the early plans and discuss them with you to better understand your concerns and the community's needs. The details of the consultation process and meetings schedule will be announced this fall.

More information



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The power service areas for Berri substation (black) and Dorchester substation (pink) overlap on the site of the Institut des Sœurs de la Miséricorde (red).

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