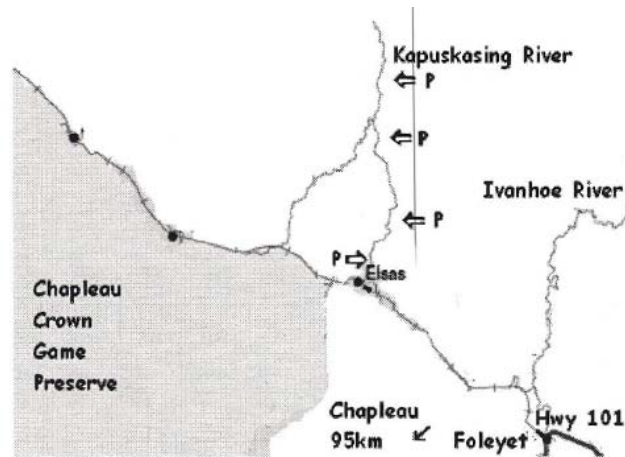


## Notice of Commencement under the Class EA for Waterpower Projects Kapuskasung River Waterpower Projects



Xeneca Power Development Inc. is commencing an environmental evaluation and assessment for four proposed Generating Stations located at Outlet Kapuskasing Lake, Lapinagam Rapids, Middle Township Buchan (Clouston Rapids) and at Near North Boundary (Cedar Rapids). Each site is located on the Kapuskasing River, between the community of Elsas and the Town of Kapuskasing. The proposed waterpower generating stations on the Kapuskasing River will generate clean and renewable energy at a total installed capacity of about 19.45 MW. Each station will have a water control structure (spillway and earthfill dams) with attached powerhouse (with the exception of Outlet Kapuskasing Lake which will have a spillway dam and an open approach channel to the powerhouse). New roads and possible upgrades of existing roads will be required to access the sites. Transmission lines connecting at Weston Lake TS/DS and/or Kapuskasing TS will be installed in order to connect the stations to the provincial power grid.

The projects are subject to the provisions of the Ontario Waterpower Association's "Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Waterpower Projects" (2008). Pursuant to the Class EA, the projects are considered to be located on a managed waterway. The Class EA process requires Xeneca Power Development Inc. to undertake an evaluation of the proposed waterpower projects to determine their potential effects to the environment (positive and negative) during its construction and operation and prepare a detailed Environmental Report. The projects may also require review and approval under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act. Further project information can be obtained by visiting the Xeneca website at [www.xeneca.com](http://www.xeneca.com)

This notice and the public consultation process for the projects under the Class EA, is intended to coordinate and meet the notification requirements relevant to the planning stage of the project under the above statutes. Notification of public meetings to be held in regard to the project will be posted within the next 6-8 months. Public consultation will be an integral component of this process. You are invited to provide comments on the issues to be addressed, and/or to ask to be placed on the project's mailing list.

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