

PROJECT TIMELINE

Activity Status

Project initiation

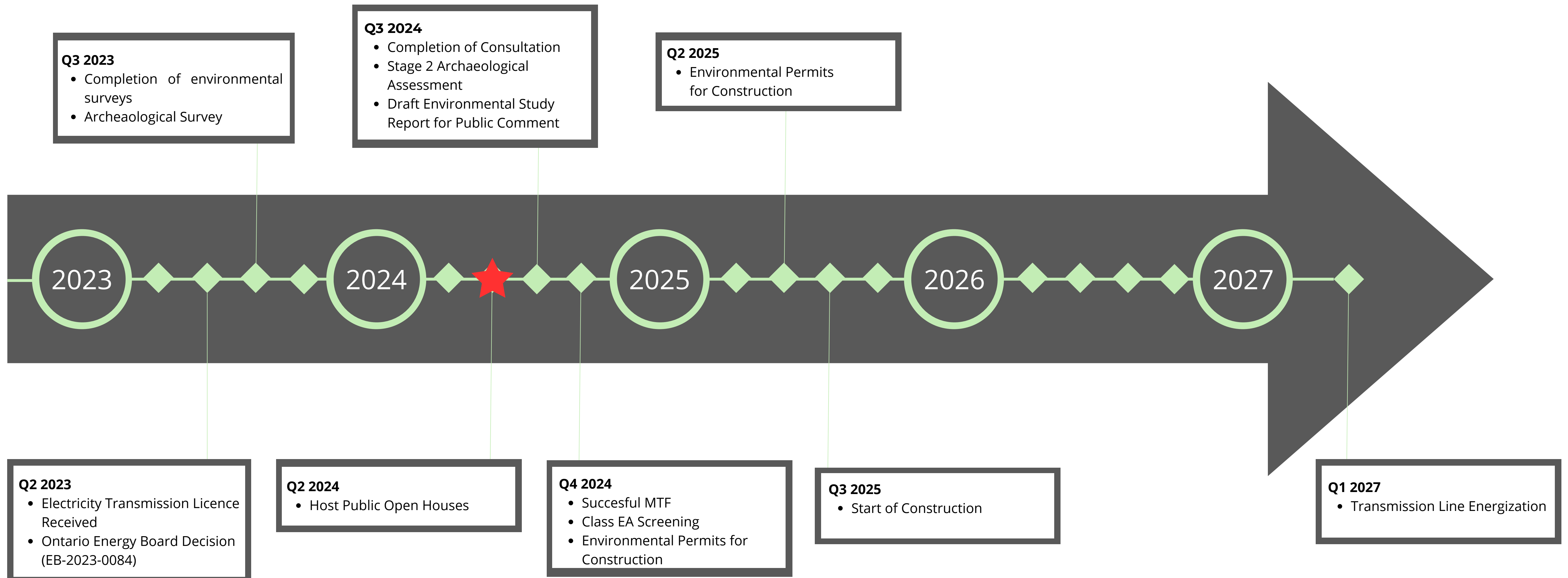
Determine project location	✓
Preliminary design	Underway
Issue project notification	✓

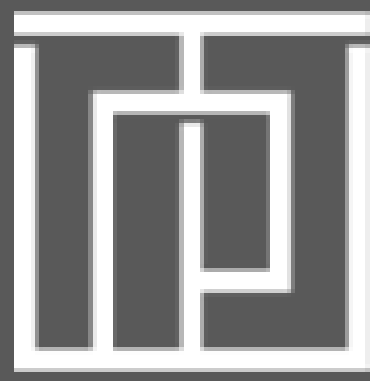
Environmental Assessments

Terrestrial fieldwork including birds and mammal surveys	✓
Ecological land classification	✓
Stream and lake mapping	✓
Stage 1 Archeological Assessment	✓
Stage 2 Archeological Assessment	TBD

Consultations

Timmins public consultation	Underway
First Nations consultations	Underway





ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Class EA for Minor Transmission Facilities under the responsibility of the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks of Ontario.
- Category B Project (230 kV, < 50 km)

Wildlife

- Surveys have been completed for songbirds, raptors, sharptailed grouse, bats, and amphibians.
- Habitat has been assessed for dens, amphibians, moose, and waterfowl.
- No nests, dens, or hibernacula for species-at-risk have been identified.

Land Use

- The project aligns with regional and local land use planning.
- Complementary land uses are possible within the project's right-of-way (ROW) during operations.

Recreation and tourism

- Continued recreational activities anticipated during and after construction.
- Community engagement planned for detailed design to avoid important trail segments.

Hunting, Trapping and Gathering

- Project alignment respects existing linear disturbances.
- No measurable effects predicted on hunting, trapping, or fishing.
- Community engagement planned to avoid impacting important plant populations.

Mineral Resources

- Co-location with existing infrastructure to minimize disruption.
- Measures to avoid impeding access to mineral resources facilities.

Forestry Resources

- Minimal impact on forest reserve and planned cutblocks.
- Merchantable trees provided to Abitibi River Forest Management Inc.
- No significant effects predicted on current or planned forestry resource land uses.