

# New area code 382 in Southwestern Ontario

CNW Telbec/ - Starting June 17, 2023, an additional area code will be introduced in the region currently served by area codes 226,519 and 548 in southwestern Ontario.

The introduction of the new area code 382 is the result of a decision by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) and is intended to meet the continuously growing demand for new telephone numbers.

The introduction of a new area code creates millions of additional telephone numbers without affecting the existing numbers," said Kelly T. Walsh, Program Manager of the Canadian Numbering Administrator. "The new area code 382 will be added to the current area codes already in use in this region."

The new area code will be introduced gradually starting on June 17, 2023. After this date, consumers and businesses requesting a new phone number may receive one with the new area code. Numbers with the new 382 area code will only be assigned to customers once there is no longer a sufficient supply of numbers with the existing area codes – 226, 519 and 548.

The introduction of a new area code in a region does not affect the geographic boundaries for local calling areas or the way long distance calls are dialed. Special numbers such as 911 will not be affected and will still be dialed using only three digits.

### Background information

The area code 519 was introduced in 1953. Over the years, increasing demand for telephone numbers– particularly for wireless devices– and changes in competitive environment created a need for additional numbers to serve customers in this region. In response to this increasing demand, the 226 area code was added in October 2006 along with the introduction of 10-digit dialing for local calls, and the area code 548 was introduced in 2016.

# Six Drivers Arrested Over Five Days

## Drivers Arrested for Alcohol and Drug Related Offences

(ESSEX COUNTY, ON)

- The Essex County Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) arrested five drivers over the past five days with alcohol and drug related offences.

On November 10, 2022, at approximately 3:40 p.m., members of the Leamington OPP responded to a report of a driver who could not keep their vehicle in their lane Highway 77, Municipality of Leamington. Officers located the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. The driver was arrested and met with a Drug recognition Expert at a local detachment, as a result of the investigation, a 67-year-old female from Leamington, was charged with:

- Operation While Impaired- Drugs

On November 11, 2022, at approximately 8:07 p.m., members of the Leamington OPP responded to a minor collision involving a two vehicles Erie Street South, Municipality of Leamington. As a result of an investigation, a 34-year-old male from Leamington, was charged with:

- Operation While Impaired- Blood Alcohol Concentration (80 plus)

On November 12, 2022, just after 5:19 p.m., members of the Leamington OPP responded to a minor collision involving a three vehicles Mersea Road 6, Municipality of Leamington. As a result of an investigation, a 46-year-old male from Leamington, was charged with:

- Operation While Impaired- Alcohol

On November 14, 2022, just before 6:30 p.m., members of the Kingsville OPP were alerted to a suspicious vehicle in the area of James Avenue, Town of Kingsville. Officers located a driver of a pickup truck was located inside the vehicle. As a result of an investigation, a 37-year-old male from Kingsville, was charged with:

- Operation While Impaired- Drugs
- Possession of a Schedule I Substance - Opioid (other than heroin)

On November 14, 2022, just after 6:30 p.m., a member of the Kingsville OPP was on patrol when they observed a vehicle being driven in an erratic manner. The Officer conducted a traffic stop on Main Street West, Town of Kingsville. As a result of an investigation, a 46-year-old male from Kingsville, was charged with:

- Operation While Impaired- Alcohol
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

All of the accused are scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice on later dates. A 90-day Administrative Driver's Licence Suspension (A.D.L.S.) and 7-day Vehicle Impoundment was initiated as per statute to the accused.

On November 14, 2022, just after midnight, an officer from the Essex Detachment OPP was conducting speed enforcement on Highway 3 at Manning Road. The officer observed a Lexus travelling at a speed in excess of 200 km/h. The Officer conducted a traffic stop on Manning Road.

While speaking with the driver, the investigating officer determined that the driver had been drinking alcohol. An Approved Screening Device (ASD) was used. The driver was placed under arrest and transported to a local operations centre for further testing.

As a result, a 33-year-old male from Leamington had their licence suspended for three days.

"We still continue to see operators of motor vehicles risking their lives and those of others by choosing to drive impaired. Let's continue to remain vigilant with our goal of reducing the instances of impaired driving, whether its by alcohol or drugs." Inspector Angela Ferguson, Essex County OPP, Detachment Commander

If you suspect someone is driving while their ability to operate a motor vehicle is impaired, either by drug or alcohol, call police at 911 to report it immediately.

Anyone with information regarding this or any other incident is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or leave an anonymous online message at [www.catchcrooks.com](http://www.catchcrooks.com) where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

# NOTICE

## COMMUNITY MEETING



November 2022

### Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities Essex Battery Energy Storage Project

PR Development LP, an affiliate of Potentia Renewables Inc., is initiating a Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities ("Class EA") (Hydro One, 2022) to construct the Essex Battery Energy Storage Project ("Essex BESS" or "the Project") in the Municipality of Lakeshore. Essex BESS is designed with the intention of addressing the growing electricity needs of southwestern Ontario. The Independent Electricity System Operator ("IESO") is forecasting a need for 4,000 Megawatt ("MW") by 2030 and is in the process of administering various procurement programs to address this need.

The proposed Project is a battery energy storage facility sized to provide up to 350 MW over four hours (1,400 Megawatt-hours). It occupies approximately 35 acres of land within the parcel located at 2873 Lakeshore Road 245. A map of the Project area is provided at the end of this Notice. The Project will connect to two 230 kilovolt lines within Hydro One Networks Inc.'s transmission system. The Project is subject to the Class EA in accordance with the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*.

We invite you to join our upcoming community meeting to learn more about the proposed Project and to speak directly with members of our Project team.

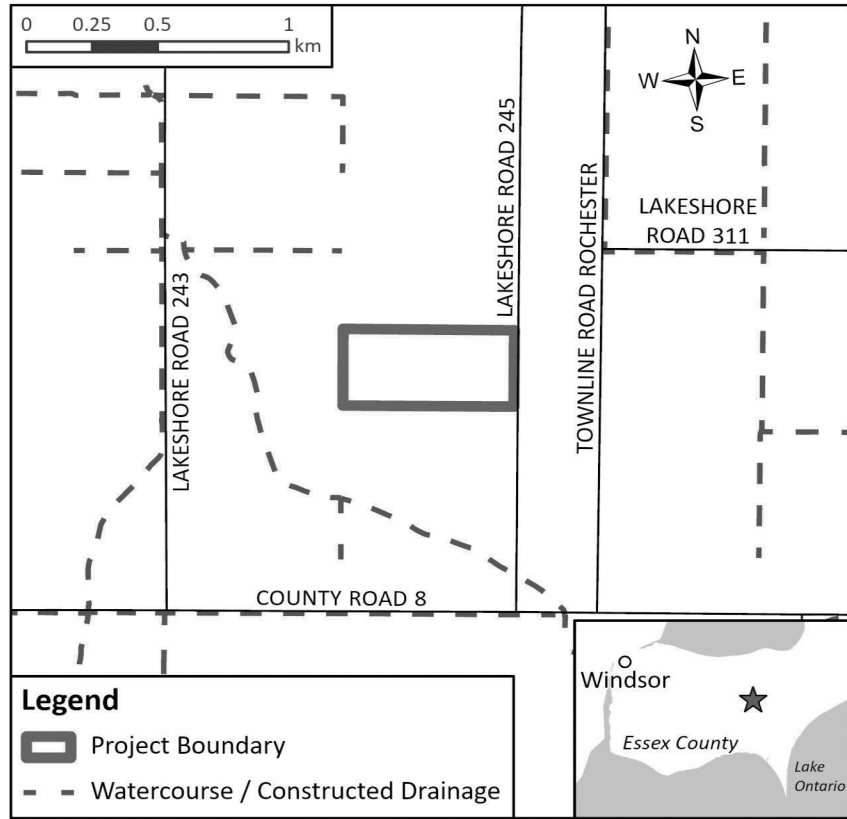
Please join us on:

**Thursday, December 8, 2022**  
**5:00 – 8:00 PM**  
**Maedel Community Centre,**  
**Huron Room**  
**25 Gosfield Townline West**  
**Town of Essex**

We welcome your comments and questions regarding this Project. Should there be any update to the Project information provided, we will ensure you are promptly informed. Contingent on the outcome of the Class EA process, construction could begin as early as the spring of 2024 and is expected to be completed by the fall of 2025.

If you have questions or would like any additional information about the project, please contact:

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