

1 Q. **Reference: 2026 Capital Budget Application, Schedule 1, 2026 Capital Budget Overview, page**
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3 Please provide an updated chart that shows what Hydro would have considered a “major
4 project” in the years 2015 to 2024.

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7 A. There were four projects with expenditures during the period 2015–2024 that Newfoundland
8 and Labrador Hydro (“Hydro”) would have considered to be Major Projects on the basis that
9 their individual total budgets were greater than \$50 million, including:^{1,2}

- 10 • Purchase and Installation of 100 MW Combustion Turbine – Holyrood (\$119.0 million);³
- 11 • Labrador West Transmission Project – Construction Phase (\$329.6 million);⁴
- 12 • Transmission Line 267 – Bay d’Espoir to Western Avalon (\$291.7 million);⁵ and
- 13 • Bay d’Espoir Penstock 1 Life Extension (\$65.9 million).⁶ The Penstock 1 Life Extension
14 Project began slightly before the department’s creation in 2023, but has been managed
15 by Hydro’s Major Projects department since its formation.

16 Chart 1 and Chart 2 of the 2026 Capital Budget Overview⁷ have been updated as follows:

¹ In addition to the four projects listed, there was a multi-year program (2016–2020, that carried over to 2021) to replace circuit breakers with a budget exceeding \$50 million. That program is not considered to be a Major Project as it was a collection of smaller scopes of work at various locations.

² At this time, Hydro’s Major Projects five-year capital plan excludes any future application by Hydro for the long-term supply for Southern Labrador, as Hydro is currently reviewing, studying, and implementing ways to ensure that Charlottetown, Pinsent’s Arm, and the other communities in the region receive safe, reliable service now, and long-term.

³ As approved in Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities (“Board”) Order No. P.U.(16)2014. This project commenced in 2014 and was completed in 2015.

⁴ The construction of a transmission line was approved by the provincial government on February 2, 2014 (OC 2014-033), to help supply power for planned new development in Labrador West, such as the Kami Iron Ore Project, and improve reliability for all customers in the region. Project costs up to September 2017 included in the work in progress account, but excluded from average rate base, were \$12.4 million.

⁵ As approved in Board Order No. P.U.(53 2014). This project commenced in 2014 and was completed in 2019 with minimal expenditures that year.

⁶ As approved in Board Order Nos. P.U. 6(2023) and P.U. 26(2024). This project commenced in 2023 and is anticipated for completion in 2025.

⁷ “2026 Capital Budget Application,” Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro, July 15, 2025, sch. 1, sec. 2.0.

- Chart 1: *Historical, Actual and Anticipated Capital Expenditures including Major Projects* has been updated to show the expenditures during the period 2015–2024 for the four noted projects as “Major Project” expenditures.
- Chart 2: *Historical, Budget, and Forecast Capital Expenditures, excluding Major Projects* has been updated to remove the expenditures during the period 2015–2024 for the four noted projects from the curve.

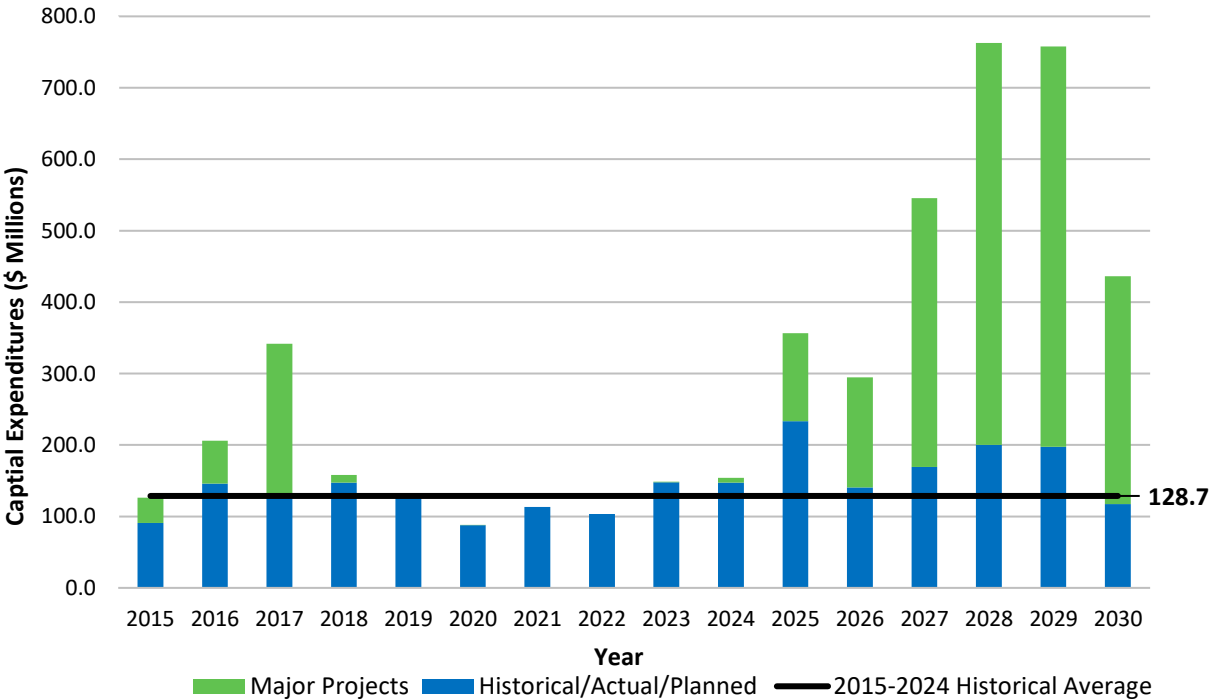


Chart 1: Historical, Actual and Anticipated Capital Expenditures including Major Projects

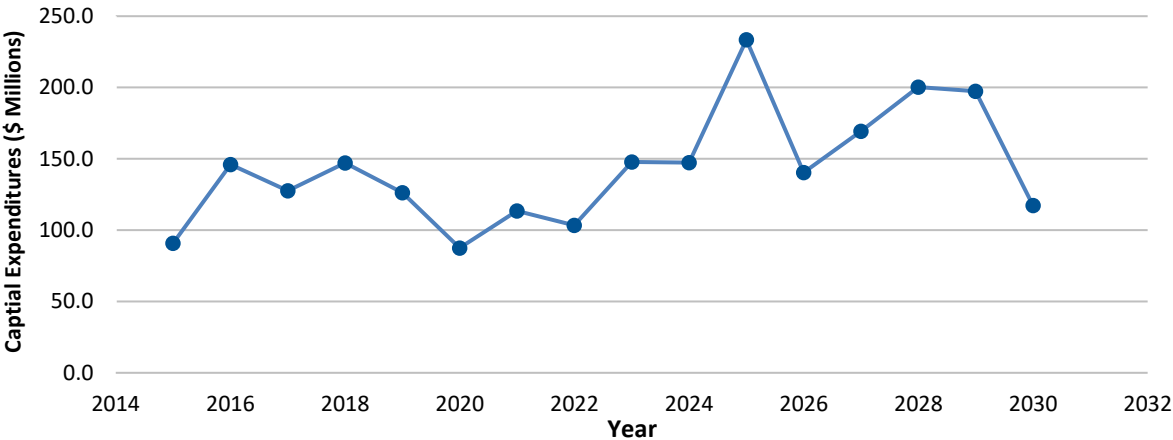


Chart 2: Historical, Budget, and Forecast Capital Expenditures, excluding Major Projects