Q. **Reference: CA-NLH-073**

In the 2026 CBA, Hydro identified a project to widen the right of way in Gros Morne National Park in the period 2026–2028. The project was justified on the basis of reliability and safety improvements. The Board rejected the project. Are reliability and the safety of employees and the public at risk? What actions, if any, has Hydro taken to mitigate the reliability and safety concerns?

A. Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro ("Hydro") is undertaking targeted right-of-way widening in the identified area to mitigate the risks identified in the 2026 project proposal, without seeking recovery at this time. Simultaneously, Hydro is in the process of completing a jurisdictional scan and development of a Vegetation Management policy, per the approved Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities request in Board Order No. P.U. 2(2026).