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DRYDEN MOVES FORWARD ON PLANS TO DEVELOP 5MW SOLAR PARK

In a move to become greener and further diversify its economy; the City of Dryden announces plans to move forward with the implementation of a 5 megawatt Solar Photovoltaic Park in North Dryden.

City Council working with the Dryden Development Corporation (DDC) and its renewable energy committee will host an open house on November 10 from 4:30pm to 7:30pm at The Centre Auditorium @ 100 Casimir Avenue. This event will be facilitated by Johnson Controls who were retained by the City in June to provide overall project development and management support for up to a 10 mw Solar Park.

“This excellent opportunity is your invitation to familiarize yourself with this project and to better understand the anticipated benefits of City involvement” noted Mayor Anne Krassilowsky.

It is anticipated that the \$30 million investment in the 5mw Park will result in the City realizing a new and dependable revenue source for the Citizens of Dryden. The City is looking at accessing the necessary development capital through Infrastructure Ontario, a provincial agency specializing in financing municipal infrastructure.

The green energy produced by the Solar Park will be sold by contract to the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) under their new 20 year Renewable Energy Feed-In-Tariff (FIT) program. Should all approvals fall into place, construction could start in the spring of 2010.

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