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## Provide Feedback on Proposed New Requirements for Geothermal Resource Development

*The Alberta Energy Regulator is seeking feedback on proposed Directive OXX: Requirements for Geothermal Resource Development.*

In 2020, the Government of Alberta introduced [Bill 36: Geothermal Resource Development Act](#). Under this act, which has not yet been proclaimed, the [Alberta Energy Regulator](#) (AER) will have the authority to regulate the safe, efficient, and responsible development of Alberta's geothermal resources.

The AER is seeking feedback on the [proposed Directive OXX: Requirements for Geothermal Resource Development](#) which will:

- ◆ Set out requirements that industry must follow for geothermal development that is below the [base of groundwater protection](#) and covers the entire development life cycle, from initiation through to closure.
- ◆ Introduce processes and requirements that are unique to geothermal energy while incorporating applicable oil and gas regulatory instruments.

To provide feedback on the draft directive, complete the [comment form](#) and send it by email to [geothermal@aer.ca](mailto:geothermal@aer.ca). The feedback deadline is September 3, 2021.

Any questions on the draft directive or feedback process can be emailed to [geothermal@aer.ca](mailto:geothermal@aer.ca).

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