

*The Alberta Utilities Commission wishes to provide a forum for municipalities potentially affected by power plant and/or energy storage applications to provide feedback to the Commission. The intent of this form is to receive feedback on a proposed power plant and/or energy storage project's compliance with municipal planning policies and the applicant's consultation with municipalities. This form must be provided to affected municipalities by the project applicant at least 30 days before formally filing the project application in eFiling. The applicant will inform the municipality of the process to complete this form within the required timeline.*

*It is optional for affected municipalities to complete this form. Completion of this form does not remove the onus of the applicant to share documentation of its communications with the municipality as part of its participant involvement program.*

*These requirements are further discussed in Section 6.3 of Rule 007: Facility Applications.*

<p><b>Identification</b></p> <p>Project name: Synapse Data Centre Municipality: Town of Olds Municipality contact information: Brent Williams</p>
<p><b>Municipal planning frameworks</b></p>
<p><b>Municipal development plan</b></p> <p>Does the proposed project area comply with the municipal development plan? If no, please explain.</p> <p>Yes.</p>
<p><b>Intermunicipal development plan</b></p> <p>Does the proposed project area comply with the intermunicipal development plan? If no, please explain.</p> <p>Yes.</p>
<p><b>Land use bylaw</b></p> <p>What is the current land use zoning for the proposed project area?</p> <p>Amendments were adopted on 2026-01-26 to rezone the south portion to Light Industrial. The north portion is currently Future Urban District but an amendment to rezone to Light Industrial will be presented for second and third readings on 2026-02-09.</p>

Does the proposed project area comply with the land use bylaw (including applicable setbacks)? If no, please explain.

A full development permit review is about to begin. At a high level, it does appear to fully comply with the bylaw.

If applicable, what is the land use amendment status for the proposed project area?

Rezoning to the appropriate land use district (ILD – Light Industrial District).

**Development permit**

If applicable, what is the development permit status for the proposed project area?

Development permit application was received on 2026-01-26. As an amendment is still needed for the north portion, the Town will review north and south quarters as separate permits so that review of the latter can begin immediately.

Was consultation conducted with the municipality?

Yes  No

Does the municipality have outstanding unresolved concerns about the project?

Yes  No

Comments:

**We are still discussing details about utility connections with our existing infrastructure, but there are no concerns.**

Overall comments from the municipality about the project:

The project appears to comply with all municipal regulations. This area of Olds has mainly been identified for future industrial development for many years and the data centre use was introduced to the ILD district in the new Land Use Bylaw adopted in 2025.

**Signature (municipality):**

Right click and select "Sign" to add a signature on the line below.

 Recoverable Signature

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Signed by: 4eae738a-5616-48af-925d-4a207e33580b

**Title:**

**Date:** 1/27/2026

**When complete, please provide this form to the applicant.**

