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## Weather



TODAY:  
MAINLY  
SUNNY

HIGH OF -12  
LOW OF -14



TUESDAY:  
MIX OF SUN  
AND CLOUDS

HIGH OF -2  
LOW OF -2



WEDNESDAY:  
SHOWERS

HIGH OF 4  
LOW OF 2



THURSDAY:  
70% CHANCE  
OF SHOWERS

HIGH OF 7  
LOW OF 1



FRIDAY:  
60% CHANCE  
OF SHOWERS

HIGH OF 4  
LOW OF -16

# New Hampshire's new governor defends Northern Pass hydro line

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Newly-elected New Hampshire governor, Chris Sununu wasted no time defending the Northern Pass hydro-electric interconnection project, devoting a portion of his swearing in speech to the need for the state to expand its energy supply.

Despite continuing opposition from the Northern Pass project, the 42-year old Republican governor called on legislators to consider its benefits, including

environmental ones and reduced costs for businesses and citizens.

"We can no longer remain passive," he said. "We have to find our own way of doing things. Should we seriously consider the Northern Pass project? Of course! How can we say no to 1100 megawatts of clean and renewable energy? How can we say no to this project when we have the highest energy prices in the United States?" he asked.

The Northern Pass project consists of the construction of a hydro-electric line between the Cantons substation in Val-

Joli, near Windsor, and the New Hampshire border at East Hereford. The project is still under public consultation on both sides of the border.

Hydro Québec TransÉnergie filed an application with the National Energy Board for authorization to construct and operate a 320,000-volt DC transmission line last month. Those wishing to file a brief with respect to this application have until January 23 to do so. Demands for halting or altering the plan have already been voiced by several environmental groups.

## Winter sports

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filled in and for more information please contact Potton Community Organizer, Trish Wood at 450-292-3313 extension 228. Take note that the municipality is currently seeking 1-2 parent volunteers to assist with the program.

With skiing and snowboarding now plentiful at Owl's Head, Snowshoeing excursions through the Potton Heritage Association and the skating rink in Mansonville up and running, youth and adults are encouraged to enjoy winter outdoor activities while they last. With February quickly approaching it will bring with it Potton's 7th Edition Festival and Hearts; a month of heart healthy activities and fun with a variety of activities being offered for youth, families and neighbours.

Don't forget to save the date as the Municipality in collaboration with the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CAB) youth program will hold the Annual Winterfest Outdoor Family Fun Day on Saturday, February 4 from 10am to 3pm at the Mansonville Elementary School. This activity will include a horse drawn sleigh ride, ski doo rides, tubing, sugar on snow, bouncy games, indoor bingo, face painting, hair wrapping, a delicious lunch, door prizes and more... For more information contact the Youth Centre at 450-292-4886 or visit the website at [www.cabmn.org](http://www.cabmn.org) or contact the Trish Wood at 450-292-3313 extension 228 or visit [www.potton.ca](http://www.potton.ca)

More details on the Festive Hearts



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month will appear in a future "scoop" column as the event gets a little closer.

With last winter's lack of snow at this time of year, the enjoyment of traditional winter outdoor fun was not possible; this year however, there is plenty to do! A simple family outdoor afternoon of sliding in the back yard followed by a

warm mug of hot chocolate is the perfect way to spend some quality family time making memories and enjoying the season.

It's winter in the townships; let's enjoy the fun while we can!

## Ben by Daniel Shelton

