

# Kleinschmidt Releases Ear to the River Hydropower Industry Report

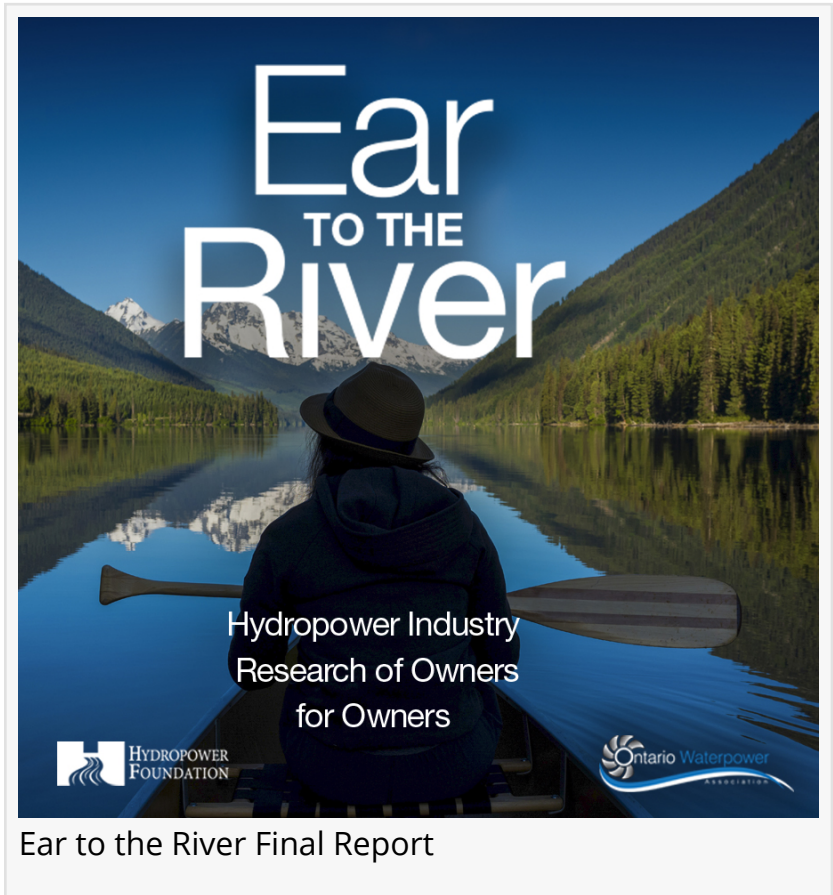
*Report developed through partnership with the Hydropower Foundation and the Ontario Waterpower Association*

PITTSFIELD, ME, UNITED STATES, April 5, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Kleinschmidt Associates, an engineering, [regulatory](#), and environmental consulting firm, is honored to publicly release the final results of the Ear to the River [hydropower](#) industry survey for owners by owners.

This survey of the North American hydroelectric industry was developed to provide an understanding of where the industry is currently and where it is headed. These results will also help lobbying efforts by providing data on how various policies could impact the role hydropower plays in the transition to a clean energy future. Partners and industry advisors worked to develop the focus of the survey, with an external survey firm conducting and managing the survey effort. The firm also conducted personal interviews with several hydropower owners to add qualitative context to the results. All respondents and individual responses are confidential, and the results have been presented by industry segment and geographic region to ensure anonymity.

“This is a groundbreaking initiative for the North American waterpower industry,” said Paul Norris, President of the Ontario Waterpower Association, “This first report provides a solid foundation upon which to build, and the insights provided can help inform our collective approach to advancing the contribution of waterpower to a clean energy future.”

“Most of the information available about the hydro industry is based on public information such as FERC filings. While this is great to know where the industry is currently, it doesn’t necessarily help to predict where the industry is going,” said Tim Oakes, Vice President of Kleinschmidt.





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"Having an annual survey of the industry will help owners, vendors, and suppliers understand opportunities to plan accordingly."

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"This report is an important new resource that helps to illuminate near-term trends across the U.S. and Canadian

hydropower sectors. The data is informative and a value-add for those seeking to better understand the future direction of the hydro industry," said Jeffrey Leahey, Vice President of Strategic Marketing Innovations.

The report is available for download free of charge by visiting:

<https://info.kleinschmidtgroup.com/eartotheriver-results>

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#### About the Hydropower Foundation

The Hydropower Foundation is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization dedicated to building a stronger future for the waterpower community. The Foundation actively engages and serves this clean energy source by supporting work in education, research, and workforce development. Its mission is to increase the waterpower community's opportunity to contribute to society and the environment. Additionally, the Hydropower Foundation has the vision to be a recognized and credible leader in promoting research, education, and dialogue among and within the broad waterpower community, empowering waterpower to overcome its challenges and strengthen its contribution to a clean energy future. Areas of focus include environmental conservation; water management; workforce development including diversity, equity, and justice; research; operational optimization; and technological advancement. For more information, check our website at [www.hydrofoundation.org](http://www.hydrofoundation.org).

#### About Ontario Waterpower Association

The Ontario Waterpower Association (OWA) is a not-for-profit, member-based organization promoting the sustainable development of waterpower resources in Ontario. Since 2001 the OWA has been representing the common and collective interests of the waterpower industry and advancing waterpower in Ontario. The Association is the voice for over 150 member companies and is committed to sustaining and enhancing Ontario's existing waterpower assets and to providing new opportunities for waterpower development and industry growth across the province.

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