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Subject: Ford Hydro Plan

Doug Ford has released his hydro plan, which appears at first glance to be the same as was in Patrick Brown's Peoples Guarantee. This includes moving conservation costs to the tax base, renegotiating energy contracts, and keeping the Fair Hydro Plan (but promising to "review it"). It promises an additional 12% in savings on top of the FHP.

Media:

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/kitchener-waterloo/doug-ford-waterloo-friday-1.4638126>

<https://www.nationalnewswatch.com/2018/04/27/doug-ford-promises-12-per-cent-cut-to-hydro-rates-if-elected-premier/#.WuNZ1KqWwy->

KITCHENER, Ont. — Doug Ford is promising to cut hydro rates by 12 per cent if he wins Ontario's spring election.

The Progressive Conservative leader says he will cut rates through a variety of measures that would save the average ratepayer \$173 a year.

The Tory plan would see the government give ratepayers the dividends it gets from its share of the partially privatized Hydro One.

It would also shift the cost of energy conservation programs from hydro customers to the tax base.

Ford also says he would also place a moratorium on new energy contracts and renegotiate existing deals where possible.

Ford has criticized the Liberal government's Fair Hydro Plan, which borrows billions to reduce rates by 25 per cent, and has vowed to review it. But he says the Tory plan would be in addition to the Liberals' rate cut.

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