



# Public Involvement Program (PIP) Plan for Heritage Wind Farm

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# 1. Introduction

Heritage Wind LLC (“the Applicant”), a subsidiary of Apex Clean Energy, Inc., is proposing to submit an Application to construct a major electric generating facility under Article 10 of the Public Service Law (PSL). Pursuant to the rules of the New York State Board on Electric Generating Siting and the Environment (“Siting Board”), applicants proposing to submit an Application to construct a major electric generating facility under Article 10 must submit a Public Involvement Program (PIP) plan. Under 16 NYCRR § 1000.4, the PIP must be submitted to the Department of Public Service (DPS) for review at least 150 days prior to filing a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS). This document is intended to be the PIP for the Heritage Wind project (the “Project”). The Project is intended to be an approximately 200.1 megawatt (MW) wind-powered electric generating facility proposed by the Applicant to be located in the Town of Barre, Orleans County, New York. The proposed interconnection point for the Project is within the Town of Barre along the existing National Grid Shelby-Sweeden 115kv power line.

As required under 16 NYCRR § 1000.4, the Applicant’s PIP plan includes the following components:

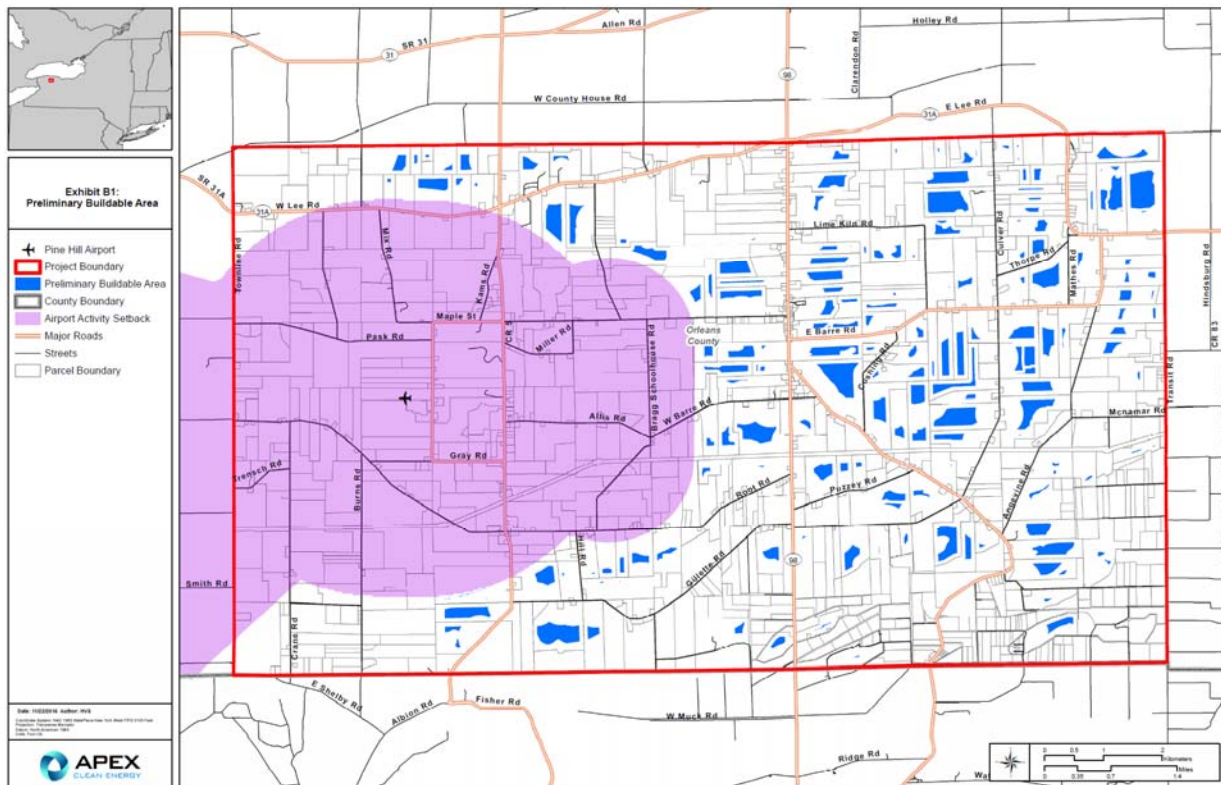
- (1) consultation with the affected agencies and other stakeholders;
- (2) pre-application activities to encourage stakeholders to participate at the earliest opportunity;
- (3) activities designed to educate the public as to the specific proposal and the Article 10 review process, including the availability of funding for municipal and local parties;
- (4) the establishment of a website to disseminate information to the public;
- (5) notifications to affected agencies and stakeholders; and
- (6) activities designed to encourage participation by stakeholders in the certification and compliance process.

# 2. Project Summary

Heritage Wind (the “Project”) is an approximately 200.1 MW proposed wind energy project located in the Town of Barre, Orleans County, New York. The Project is owned and is being developed by Apex Clean Energy Holdings, LLC (“Apex”). The approximate size of the Study Area is 35,300 acres.

It is expected that the Project will evolve during the development and study phases, and consequently an updated project boundary will be included in the subsequent Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS) and the Application. The Project’s boundary and defined buildable area will develop and change based on site evaluation and assessment and parcel leasing.

Based on the preliminary data gathered, including setbacks and rules for wind development in the Barre town code, the map on the following page shows the Project’s current modeling of potential areas where wind turbines could be constructed. The current model of potential buildable area will be refined throughout the course of project development. This map does not take into account landowner participation, environmental factors such as wildlife and wetlands, or additional setback considerations. Further, please note that this map is not intended to suggest that wind turbines would be placed on every location identified as potentially buildable area. This map is also included in the attached Exhibit B: Maps and Figures.



Using the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's (NREL) Jobs and Economic Development Impact (JEDI) modeling tool, the Project estimates that 672 temporary jobs will be created during the construction period and as many as 22 permanent jobs will be created by the Project. The JEDI tool estimates that construction of the Project may yield up to \$1.5 million in tax revenue for local taxing jurisdictions. NREL's JEDI modeling tool is available for free download at [www.nrel.gov/analysis/jedi/](http://www.nrel.gov/analysis/jedi/).

# 3. Identification of Specific Stakeholders

## a. Preliminary Stakeholder List

This section details a list of known parties that would reasonably be interested in the Project. Acquired contact information for each party is listed in Exhibit A: Stakeholder Register attached to this document. This list will be regularly updated based on public outreach and stakeholder feedback.

### i. Host Municipalities

The host municipality for the Project is the Town of Barre in Orleans County. Barre is governed by a Town Board and Orleans County is governed by a County Legislature.

### ii. Adjacent Municipalities

Although not included in the project boundary, adjacent municipalities were identified by using a five-mile buffer of the Study Area. See Exhibit B2a and Exhibit B2b for maps illustrating the footprint of the five-mile buffer applied to the Project boundary. Those municipalities are:

- Town of Alabama
- Town of Albion
- Village of Albion
- Town of Byron
- Town of Clarendon
- Town of Elba
- Village of Elba
- Town of Gaines
- Village of Holley
- Town of Shelby
- Village of Medina
- Town of Murray
- Town of Oakfield
- Village of Oakfield
- Town of Ridgeway
- Genesee County

### iii. Host Landowners

Host landowners are the landowners who have chosen to participate in the Project by means of a lease agreement, setback waiver, or other easements for the Project.

### iv. Adjacent Landowners

Adjacent landowners will be defined as those who own land that shares a common boundary with parcels housing facility components (e.g., wind turbines, substations, collection lines,

meteorological towers, O&M facility, etc.), as well as all residences within 2,500 feet of a wind turbine or substation. These landowners will be identified by use of GIS and parcel data available from Orleans County.

v. **Other Affected Individuals, Groups, and Organizations**

The Project will perform outreach to public interest groups in the Project's vicinity, including community groups, religious groups, business groups, and other such organizations, as they are identified or make themselves known. So far the project has identified the following groups as potentially interested in receiving information about the project:

- Albion Central School District
- Albion Rod & Gun Club
- Albion Rotary Club
- Barre Center Presbyterian Church
- Barre Fire Department
- Barre Planning Board
- Barre Zoning Board
- Byron-Bergen Central School District
- Cornell Cooperative Extension-Orleans County
- Elba Central School District
- Genesee County Airport
- Genesee County Planning Department
- Genesee County Highway Department
- Genesee Valley Audubon Society
- Holley Central School District
- Local Historians
- Lyndonville Central School District
- Medina Central School District
- Mercy Flight of Western New York
- National Grid
- Oakfield-Alabama Central School District
- Orleans County Chamber of Commerce
- Orleans County Emergency Management Office
- Orleans County Highway Department
- Orleans County Planning and Development Department
- Orleans County Public Health Department
- Orleans County Sheriff
- Orleans County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Orleans Economic Development Agency
- Orleans Farm Bureau
- Rochester Birding Association
- Sierra Club Niagra Group-Western NY
- The Cobbelstone Museum



- The Nature Conservancy
- The New York Audubon Society
- The Pine Hill Airport
- West Barre United Methodist Church
- Western Erie Canal Alliance (Western Erie Canal Heritage Corridor)
- Western New York Skydiving

The Project has begun reaching out to these organizations and will continue to engage organizational leaders and representatives to ensure that community members are able to access information about the project through existing institutions.

#### vi. **New York State Agency Stakeholders**

- Empire State Development Corporation
- New York Department of Public Service
- New York Independent Systems Operator
- New York State Assembly (Assemblyman Stephen Hawley, 139th District)
- New York State Attorney General
- New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets (“Ag and Markets”)
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)(on environmental issues, as well as in the Department’s capacity as manager of the Oak Orchard and Tonawanda Wildlife Management Areas)
- New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH)
- New York State Department of State (NYSDOS)
- New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT)
- New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services
- New York State Energy Research and Development (NYSERDA)
- New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (OPRHP)
- New York State Senate (State Senator Robert Ort, 62nd District)

#### vii. **Federal Stakeholders**

- Friends of the Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge
- National Telecommunications and Information Administration
- The Tonowanda Seneca Nation
- United States Army Corp of Engineers
- United States Department of Defense Siting Clearinghouse
- United States Department of Fish and Wildlife
- United States Federal Aviation Administration
- United States Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- United States House of Representatives (Representative Christopher Collins, 27th District)
- United States Senate (Senator Charles Schumer and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand)

#### viii. **Environmental Justice Communities**

Review of Environmental Justice community information available via New York State DEC confirm that there are no environmental justice communities in Orleans County, where the Study Area is located. NYS DEC publishes maps of potential environmental justice communities by county on their website (<http://www.dec.ny.gov/public/899.html>), which states, “There are no Potential EJ Areas in Orleans County.”

#### ix. Early Outreach Activities

Representatives of the Project contacted the following stakeholders via letter in April 2016:

- The Albion Town Board
- The Barre Fire Department
- The Barre Town Board
- The Barre Town Planning Board
- New York State Assemblyman Stephen Hawley
- New York State Senator Robert Ortt
- The Orleans County Legislature
- The Orleans County Sherriff’s Office
- The Pine Hill Airport
- West Barre United Methodist Church

Shortly thereafter, the Project sent letters via direct mail to each address within the proposed Study Area according to information available through county tax records. All of these stakeholders, including the general public, were invited to attend informational meetings at the Barre Town Hall and the Albion Hoag Library. Seven informational meetings were held between May 12, 2016, and July 6, 2016, and were advertised on the Project website and via correspondence as public information sessions. Community members and stakeholders have attended these meetings to learn about the Project’s activities, plans, and potential impacts.

Project staff have engaged elected officials in public settings by attending Barre Town Board and Orleans County Legislature meetings and offering to meet with elected officials via letter and personal introduction in order to share information about the Project.

Project staff have also made every effort to engage individual community members directly through one-on-one interactions, mailings, and attendance at community events such as the 2016 Orleans County Fair, the Metro 10 race, the Medina Vendor Blender, and wind blade workshops at the Orleans/Niagara Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

These activities have led to a continually evolving understanding of the civic and social organizations active in the proposed Study Area. The Project plans to continue this outreach campaign by seeking, identifying, and contacting interested stakeholders.

#### x. Methodology for Identifying Stakeholders

Stakeholders have been identified through discussions with the Barre Town Board members, community engagement by Project staff, assessment of local political organizations, and utilization of geographic information systems to determine the regions, districts, and territories covered by agencies, as well as town, county, and state representatives who are expected to take part or have interest in the Article 10 proceedings for the Project. A five-mile buffer of the Study

Area was created to identify potential stakeholders by proximity. Throughout the permitting process, the Project will continue to build the project stakeholder list as community networks connect additional parties to the Project.

Please see Exhibit A: Stakeholder Register for our complete list of community and agency stakeholders.

## **b. Required Airport/Heliport Outreach**

The Project will consult with the owners and operators of area public and private airports and heliports regarding the Project. The project met with owners of the Pine Hill Airport in May 2016 to discuss the project and open channels of communication.

In addition to consulting with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regarding potential impacts to airports and air resources generally, Project staff will provide these facilities with information about, and the location of, the proposed project prior to the submission of the Preliminary Scoping Statement, in accordance with 16 NYCRR §1000.4(f).

# 4. Language Access

## a. Languages Spoken Other Than English

The Project's preliminary Study Area is within five miles of fourteen five-digit ZIP code postal zones (14013, 14058, 14098, 14103, 14125, 14411, 14416, 14422, 14429, 14442, 14452, 14470, 14470, 14477, and 14571). This buffer is illustrated in Exhibit B2b: Five Mile Buffer – Zip Codes. According to U.S. Census data, languages other than English are not spoken by more than 5,000 people in any of these ZIP code postal zones. See Exhibit C: U.S. Census Languages Spoken at Home for detailed census data.

## b. Translation and Communication

Due to the fact that English is spoken in the vast majority of households, all Project communication will be conducted in English. If an individual community member requires assistance understanding Project documents or information, efforts will be made to ensure translation is provided as needed.

# 5. Proposed Implementation Plan

## a. Plan for Consultations

### i. Methods of Outreach

The Project development team will attend regular meetings of host municipalities, as identified in Exhibit A: Stakeholder Register, to keep local leaders informed and updated on development of the Project.

These meetings will offer local stakeholders the opportunity to ask specific questions and advise the Project on emerging issues in the community. It will also give local leaders the chance to share feedback with the Project as it is developed. These meetings will be scheduled over the phone, in person, or via email.

Project staff will also be available to answer questions from stakeholders throughout the development process via the contact information detailed in section 5(b)(iii) Outreach Contacts.

### ii. Schedule of Consultations (dates, times, locations)

The schedule of consultations will be set based on the availability and interest of local stakeholders. Whenever possible, these consultations will take place at a location that is convenient to the stakeholder. Consultations will be scheduled in conjunction with the following Project milestones:

Goal	Proposed Schedule
Introduce the project to stakeholders.	April 2016 to present
Inform all initially identified stakeholders via mail about the Project and where to find information regarding it. For purposes of initial public outreach, direct mailings will be sent to all landowners in the Town of Barre (ie, the Project Boundary).	Concurrent with submittal of final Public Involvement Program
Provide information about the project, the development process, and how siting is done and to solicit information and feedback from stakeholders, particularly regarding studies, methodologies and study scopes, project location, design, and potential avoidance and mitigation measures.	Prior to submittal of Preliminary Scoping Statement
Provide information to update stakeholders on project plans, review of the Article 10 permitting process, and available avenues for stakeholders to answer questions.	Approximately one month prior to submittal of Application
Provide information to update stakeholders on the project plans, review the Article 10 permitting process, and available avenues for stakeholders to answer questions.	Approximately one month after submittal of Application

### iii. Outreach Contacts

Outreach to Project stakeholders will be conducted by Project Developer Ben Yazman and other the Project team members. The phone number listed below will be answered during business hours when possible and will accept messages after business hours.

Contact information:

Ben Yazman  
[info@heritagewindpower.com](mailto:info@heritagewindpower.com)  
(585) 563-5137  
310 4th Street NE, Suite 200  
Charlottesville, VA 22902

Additionally, the Project will establish a local office with posted office hours. The Project is currently assessing potential office locations in and around the Study Area. Once established, the office address and public hours will be posted to the Project website and announced via notice to Project repositories.

### iv. Desired Goal of Consultations with Identified Stakeholders

To update stakeholders with information about the project as it develops, to seek their input through the application process, to identify local stakeholders and interests, and to ensure availability of information to interested parties.

### v. Measuring Success

The goal of each consultation will be to make sure stakeholders are informed about the Project, to answer any questions they may have, and to gather information that may improve the Project. Consultation will be deemed successful if the information described in section 5(a)(ii) Schedule of Consultations is provided to stakeholders, information is gathered to help advance the Public Involvement Plan (“PIP”) process and preparation of the Application, stakeholder consultation enables the Project sponsors to identify local interests and issues of concern, and follow-up meetings or consultations are scheduled.

## b. Project Office

The Project intends to open an office as close to the center of the Barre community as practical. Due to the fact that Barre’s community is spread across farmland, the only available commercial real estate will likely be in towns or villages neighboring the Study Area, such as Albion or Medina. The Project will communicate the opening of the Project office via the Project website and direct mailing to the Barre Town Board and the Orleans County Legislature.

## 6. Tracking Public Involvement Program Activities

Heritage Wind will work with an online database tool to collect, monitor, and respond to public feedback. This database platform is integrated into the Heritage Wind website, making it possible to leverage social media, text messaging, and email to increase public involvement. Because not all stakeholders will be online, they will also be provided with opportunities to comment via mail, in-person meetings, and phone. In those cases, the written data will be entered into our online system manually by Heritage Wind staff.

### a. Plan for Maintaining and Sharing Monthly Feedback Tracking Report

On a monthly basis, the Project will provide two kinds of updated tracking reports for posting in the Project case file and on our Project website and will submit it to the docket site.

The first report will list meetings and events that have taken place since the last tracking report was submitted, as well as an updated list of upcoming or planned meetings and events. An example of this report can be found in Exhibit D: Heritage Wind Outreach Log.

The second report will share all of the feedback we have received from stakeholders and the public since the previous tracking report was submitted. Public feedback will receive a response within five business days, or, if a full response is not possible at that time, they will receive a message to let them know when they can expect a full response.

These reports will be submitted on a monthly basis for posting in the Project case file and will be posted on the Project website.

### b. Website

#### Description

The Project website is [www.heritagewindpower.com](http://www.heritagewindpower.com). The website is currently active and is used to communicate relevant information about the project's development. The website will be updated on a regular basis.

Information that is (or will be) on the website includes:

- Project description
- Project benefits and need
- Summary of permitting requirements
- Links to the Siting Board Article 10 Public Information Coordinator, the Siting Board home page, how to become a party or join the service list, and case-specific documents

- Information on the Article 10 process
- Summary of the Intervenor Funding process and how to apply
- Project layout figures and photo simulations/renderings (when available)
- Project contact information, including email address and toll free telephone number
- Copies of Article 10 and related licensing documents
- A schedule that lists dates/times/locations for outreach events and key milestone dates, such as when the application will be filed
- Addresses of local document repositories
- Public outreach materials, including fact sheets and handouts



# 7. Public Consultations, Outreach, and Activities to Encourage Participation

## a. Outreach Activities

The following outreach activities, or similar activities, may be implemented prior to submittal of application:

### i. Local Office/Office Hours

- Regularly scheduled office hours, during which a Heritage Wind staff member is present to respond to questions about the Project, accept feedback, and share information with the public. Office hours will be posted once the project office is established.
- Project-related informational materials will be available at the office during staffed hours.
- Feedback forms and a computer terminal will be made available during office hours to help those without access to a computer explore the Project website.

### ii. Dissemination of Preliminary Scoping Statement

- The PSS will be provided to state and municipal agencies, state and local officials, and local libraries.
- The PSS will be posted on the Project's website.
- A notice containing a summary of the PSS submission will be posted in newspapers, such as the *Batavia Daily News*, the *Orleans Hub*, and the *Lake Country Pennysaver*.
- Paper copies of the statement will be available with feedback cards at local office.

### iii. Intervenor Fee

- Information about the intervenor process is available at [www.heritagewindpower.com](http://www.heritagewindpower.com).

All projects must pay \$350 per MW of generating capacity into the fund, up to \$200,000, during the Pre-Application Stage. Funds will be awarded to municipalities and local parties on an equitable basis, when it is determined that the funds will be used to contribute to a complete record leading to an informed decision as to the appropriateness of the site and the facility, and will facilitate broad participation in the proceeding. Half of the Intervenor Funds must be available for municipal parties and half to local parties to hire expert witnesses, consultants, or lawyers.

#### iv. Additional Public Events

Project staff will announce all project-sponsored public events through the project website at [www.heritagewindpower.com/calendar](http://www.heritagewindpower.com/calendar). These will likely include:

1. Office open houses: A series of events to invite people to the Heritage Wind office space and introduce local contacts to Project staff. Notification of open houses will be made at least 14 days prior to the events, which will be held at different times of day to allow for those working various hours to attend. Those unable to attend open houses will be invited to reach out to Project staff directly or to come by the office during regularly scheduled hours once they are established.
2. Information sessions to educate the community on wind energy and the Project. Topics may include:
  - a) Introduction to [www.heritagewindpower.com](http://www.heritagewindpower.com) and instructions on how to give online feedback.
  - b) Turbine Technology: This session would include the basics of how a wind turbine works, a synopsis of changes over the past 15 years, a list of some projects and turbine types, and then a review of the specifications of current models.
  - c) The Grid: How the grid works and how power is purchased.
  - d) Wind/Meteorology: How we measure the wind, why some locations are better than others, and how this information contributes to siting.
  - e) Studies, Impacts, and Mitigation: This session would explain the studies that we will be performing, what they will show us, and how we will make modifications to accommodate the results.
  - f) Siting: An interactive session that informs the public on what considerations go into siting wind turbines.
  - g) Construction and Operations: A presentation about what the community will see during construction and after construction is complete. This session will feature pictures and visual aids to help the public understand what to expect from construction and operations.
3. Sponsorship or attendance at local public events, identified during the outreach and permitting process.

At this time, the Project expects to submit its Preliminary Scoping Statement in February 2017. Thereafter, the time frame for filing the Application will depend on the public comments received in response to the PSS, stakeholder discussions about study scope and methodology, completion of study work in furtherance of the Application, and potential negotiation of Stipulations between parties. Heritage Wind intends to provide informal notice of the impending Application filing to residents in the Project and Study Area 7 to 14 days prior to making this filing, in addition to complying with formal notice requirements set forth in the regulations. Around the time the

Application is filed, another public information session(s) is anticipated. Information about opportunities to participate in project development, to provide input to developers and regulators, and to learn more about the Article 10 permitting process will be made available and updated regularly on the Project website and by Project staff.

## **b. Activities to Promote Participation in Certification**

### **i. Goals**

- Ensure that interested stakeholders and members of the public are aware of certification process and how they can participate.
- Ensure that interested stakeholders and members of the public are informed of all relevant dates and deadlines for participation in the certification process.
- Engage in stakeholder consultations in order to listen to and collect stakeholder input as discussed more fully in Section 5.

### **ii. Methodology for Disseminating This Information**

Information about the certification process, participation opportunities, and dates and deadlines for participation will be disseminated according to the Dissemination Plan for Event Information described below.

### **iii. Measuring Success**

This effort will be deemed successful if all interested parties have access to information about the certification process, opportunities to participate and provide feedback on the Project, and dates and deadlines for participation.

### **iv. Schedule**

Notifications of opportunities to participate in the certification process will be posted as required by statute.

## **c. Activities to Promote Participation in Compliance**

### **i. Goals**

- Ensure that interested stakeholders and members of the public are aware of compliance process and how they can participate.
- Listen to and collect stakeholder input on the project.
- Ensure that interested stakeholders and members of the public are informed of all relevant dates and deadlines for participation in the compliance process.

### **ii. Methodology for Disseminating This Information**

Information about the compliance process, participation opportunities, and dates and deadlines for participation will be disseminated according to the Dissemination Plan for Event Information described below.

### iii. Measuring Success

This effort will be successful if all interested parties have access to information about the compliance process and Heritage Wind's complaint resolution and emergency response plans for the construction and operation stages, as well as opportunities to participate and provide feedback on the Project following Certification and throughout operation.

Notifications of opportunities to participate in the compliance process will be posted as required by statute.

## d. Dissemination Plan for Event Information

The Project will seek to post all public events and meetings on [www.heritagewindpower.com](http://www.heritagewindpower.com) whenever possible. The Project will also strive to have Project events included in the event calendars of the local newspapers listed below. In many cases, the Project also advertises upcoming meetings in these newspapers. The Project will follow the Town of Barre in the use of the *Batavia Daily News* as the newspaper of record for project announcements.

Additionally, such announcements will be provided to the town and county should they choose to include them on their event calendars.

<i>Batavia Daily News</i>	<a href="http://www.thedailynewsonline.com/">http://www.thedailynewsonline.com/</a>
<i>Orleans Hub</i>	<a href="http://www.orleanshub.com/">http://www.orleanshub.com/</a>
<i>Lake Country Pennysaver</i>	<a href="http://www.lakecountrypennysaver.com">http://www.lakecountrypennysaver.com</a>

## e. Educational Materials to Educate the Public About the Project

Public information about the project will be provided in many formats. These will include:

- One-page informational sheets about common wind energy topics, wind energy in New York, and the Heritage Wind project. Please see Exhibit E: Project Information Sheets for samples.
- Regularly updated website, featuring news and blogs ([www.heritagewindpower.com](http://www.heritagewindpower.com)).
- Short videos about Apex Clean Energy and our work with landowners (also available online at [www.heritagewindpower.com](http://www.heritagewindpower.com)).
- Large-format informational boards to be displayed at community events and Project open houses.

## f. Educational Materials for Article 10, the Public Involvement Plan, and Intervenor Funding

The Project will also provide materials describing the Article 10 process, the Public Involvement Plan, and the Intervenor Funding Process. These materials will include:

- Informational sheets describing each of the items above and specifying how the public can get involved with these processes. Please see Exhibit F: Article 10 Educational Materials for a sample.
- A dedicated page on the Project website ([www.heritagewindpower.com/article\\_10](http://www.heritagewindpower.com/article_10)) describing each of the items above and specifying how the public can get involved with these processes.
- Descriptions of each of the items above, including how the public can get involved with these processes, presented at public meetings.

## **g. Notifications**

Notifications will be provided for upcoming public meetings and forthcoming opportunities to comment or present feedback. Notices will be issued:

- According to regulations and guidelines of the Article 10 process
- Via email to all individuals who have provided an email address to us for this purpose\*
- In local newspapers whenever practical
- On our website (in the blog or events section or on the home page)
- Occasionally via direct mail to those who have given us their mailing addresses for this purpose\*

\*The project website gives visitors the option to select text, email, and/or mail notifications.

### **i. Content of Notices**

Notices will vary, depending on their purpose and medium. However, the following items will be included in every notice issued:

- Purpose of event or deadline
- Relevant date or deadline
- Location (if applicable)
- Time (if applicable)
- Phone number for more information
- Brief description (if possible to include)
- Website where additional information will be available (if possible to include)

### **ii. Who Will Receive Notices**

Notices will be sent to anyone who chooses to participate in the Project's email program by providing their email address to us via the project website. Public notices will also be available in local newspapers and on the website whenever practical.

### iii. Publications and Media Outlets for Notifications

<i>Batavia Daily News</i>	<a href="http://www.thedailynewsonline.com/">http://www.thedailynewsonline.com/</a>
<i>Orleans Hub</i>	<a href="http://www.orleanshub.com/">http://www.orleanshub.com/</a>
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### iv. Languages of Notifications

Notifications will be posted in English, because there are few non-English speakers in the Study Area.

### v. Local Document Repositories

Document repositories will be established to ensure the public has access to Project documents and information. Updates will be provided to repositories as additional information is available.

Once a project office is established, it will also serve as a document repository. The project is currently working to establish document repositories at the following locations:

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## 8. Required Agency/Municipal Pre-Application Consultations

The Project will be reaching out to agency stakeholders via official channels as required by project study scopes, which are yet to be defined.

A detailed discussion of municipal pre-application consultations is included at Section 3(a)(ix), above.

Please see Exhibit A: Stakeholder Register for a detailed listing of stakeholders.

## 9. Conclusion

The final version of this document is submitted in accordance with 16 NYCRR § 1000.4. Copies are expected to be filed on the NYDPS website ([www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov)) and the project website ([www.heritagewindpower.com](http://www.heritagewindpower.com)) and at all document repositories as they are established.

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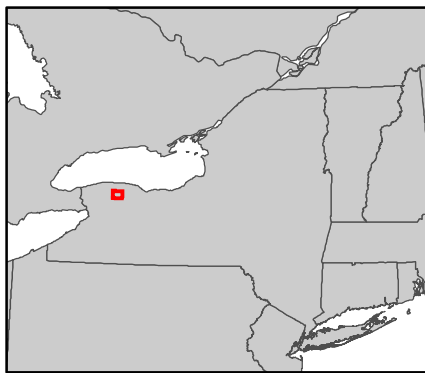
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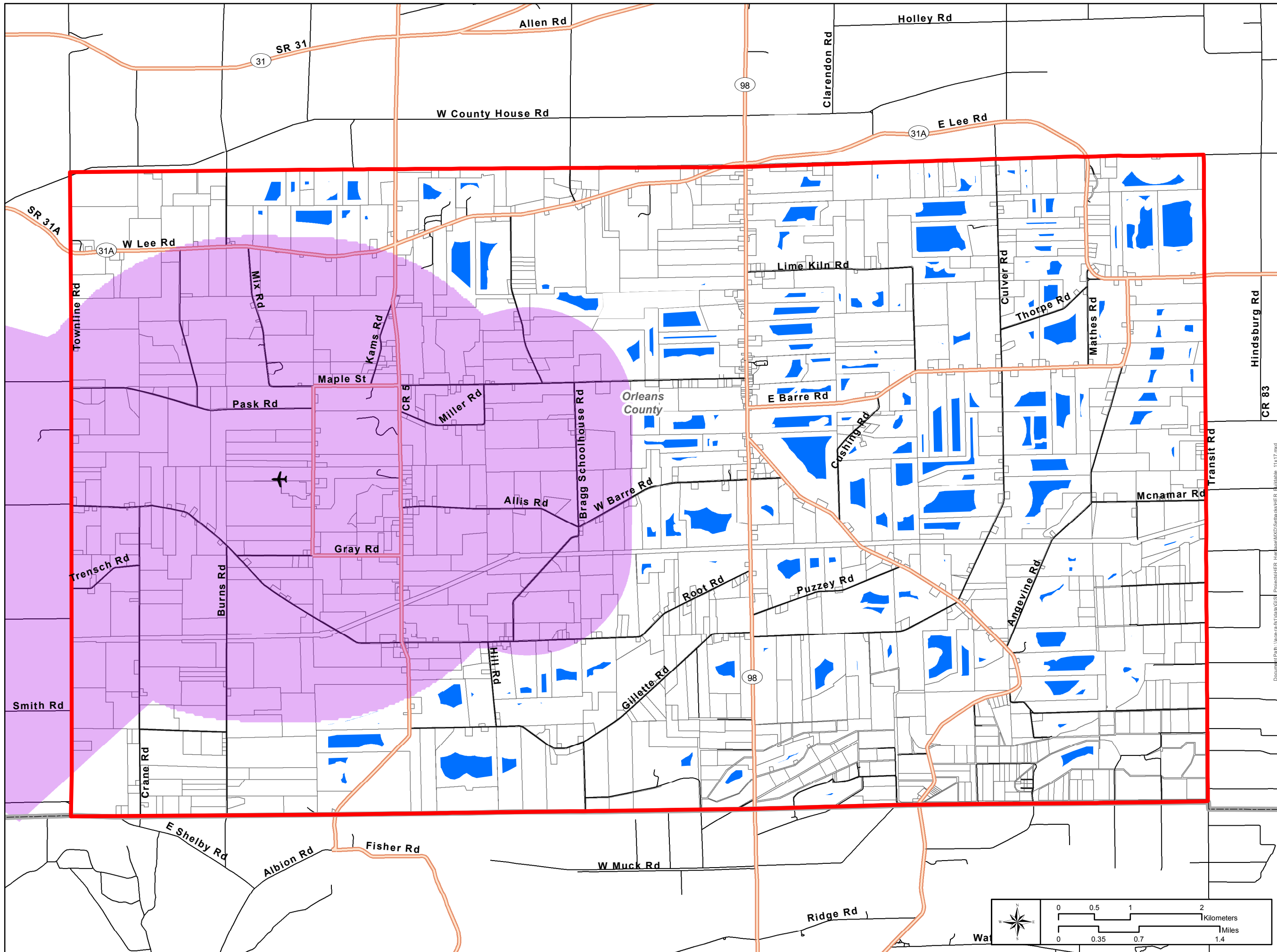


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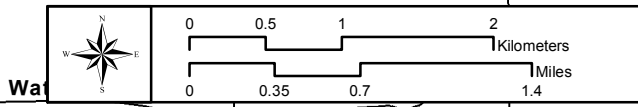


**Exhibit B1:  
Preliminary Buildable Area**

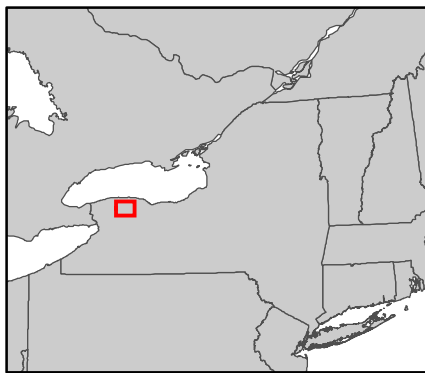
-  Pine Hill Airport
-  Project Boundary
-  Preliminary Buildable Area
-  County Boundary
-  Airport Activity Setback
-  Major Roads
-  Streets
-  Parcel Boundary











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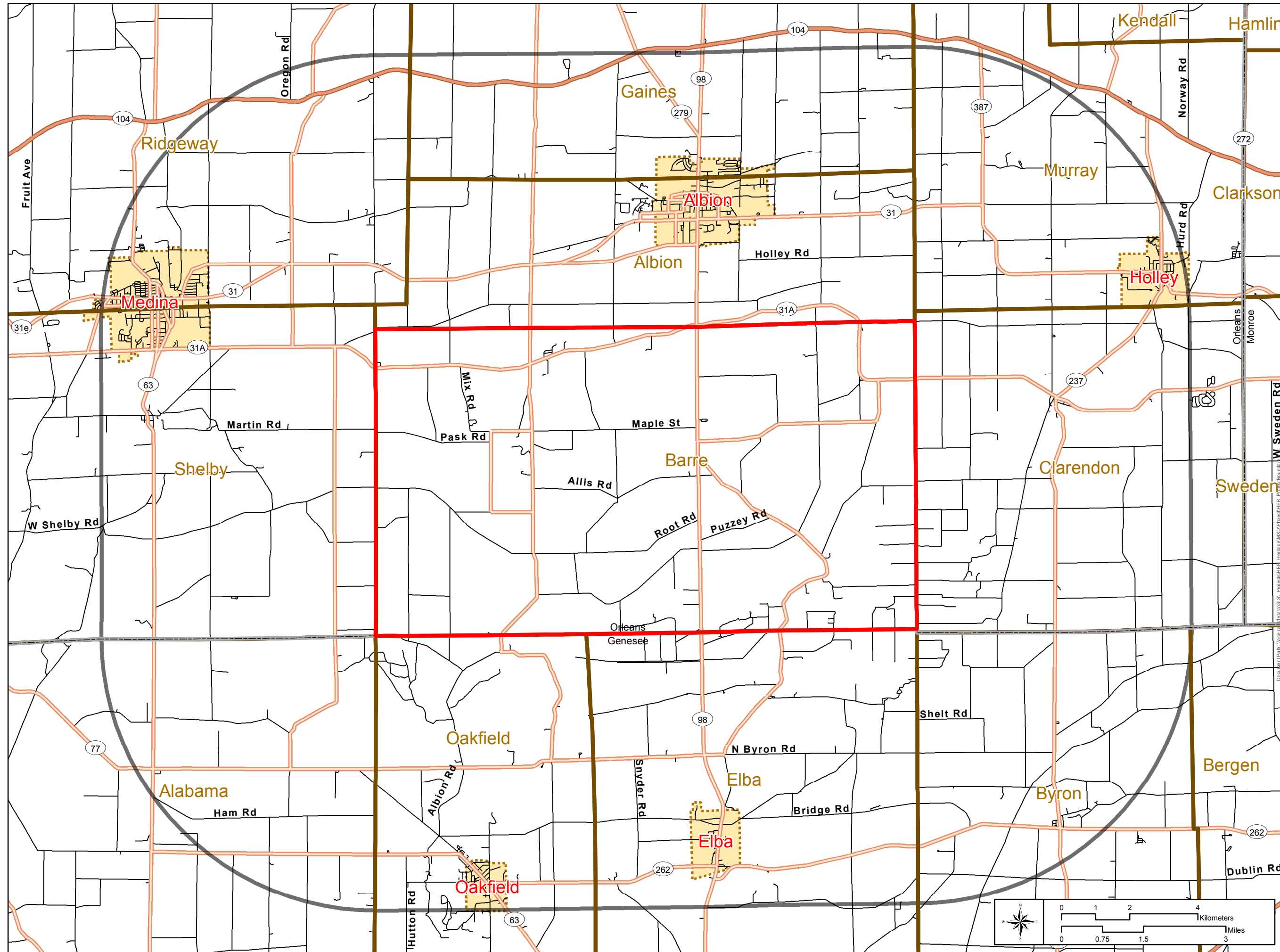


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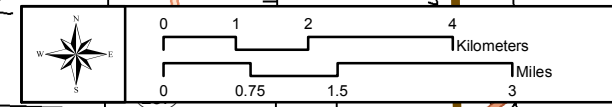


**Exhibit B2a:  
Five Mile Buffer - Municipalities**

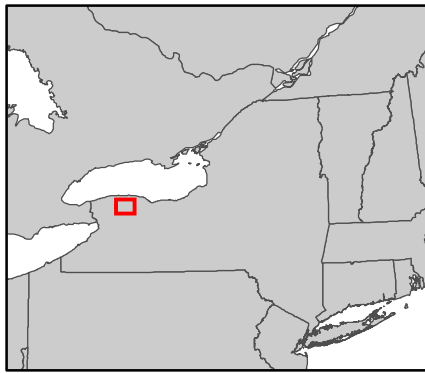
-  Project Boundary
-  County Boundary
-  Town Boundary
-  Study Area - 5 Mile Buffer
-  Highways
-  Major Roads
-  Streets
-  Incorporated Areas











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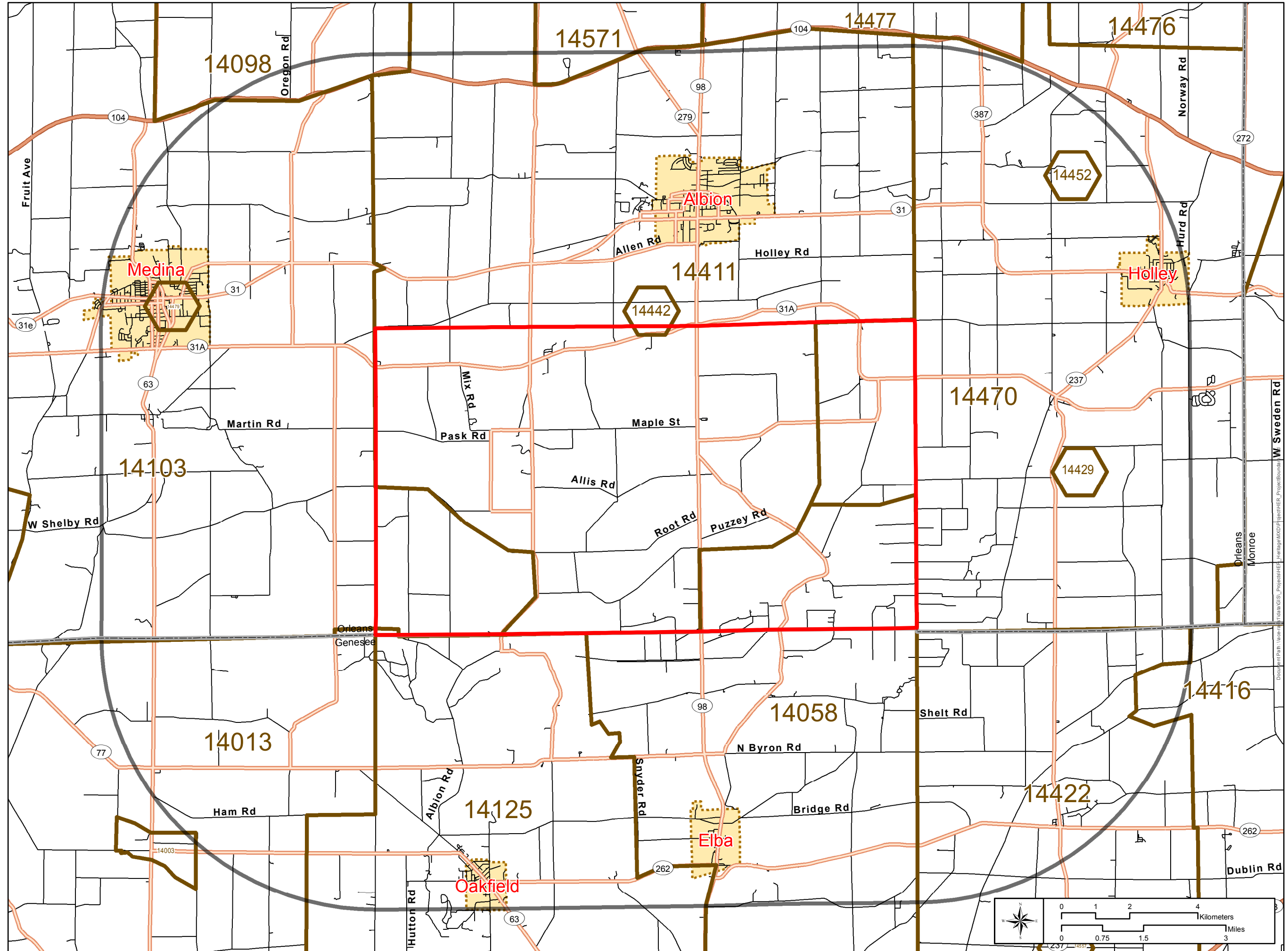


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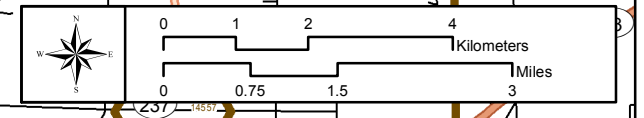


**Exhibit B2b:  
Five Mile Buffer - ZIP Codes**

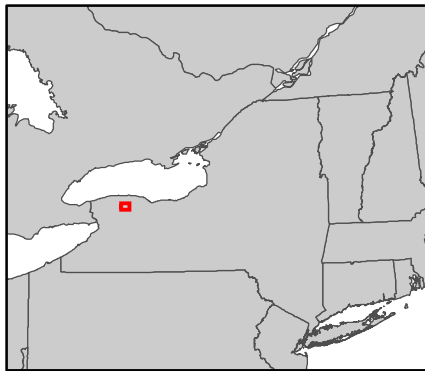
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-  Study Area - 5 Mile Buffer
-  ZIP Codes
-  Highways
-  Major Roads
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
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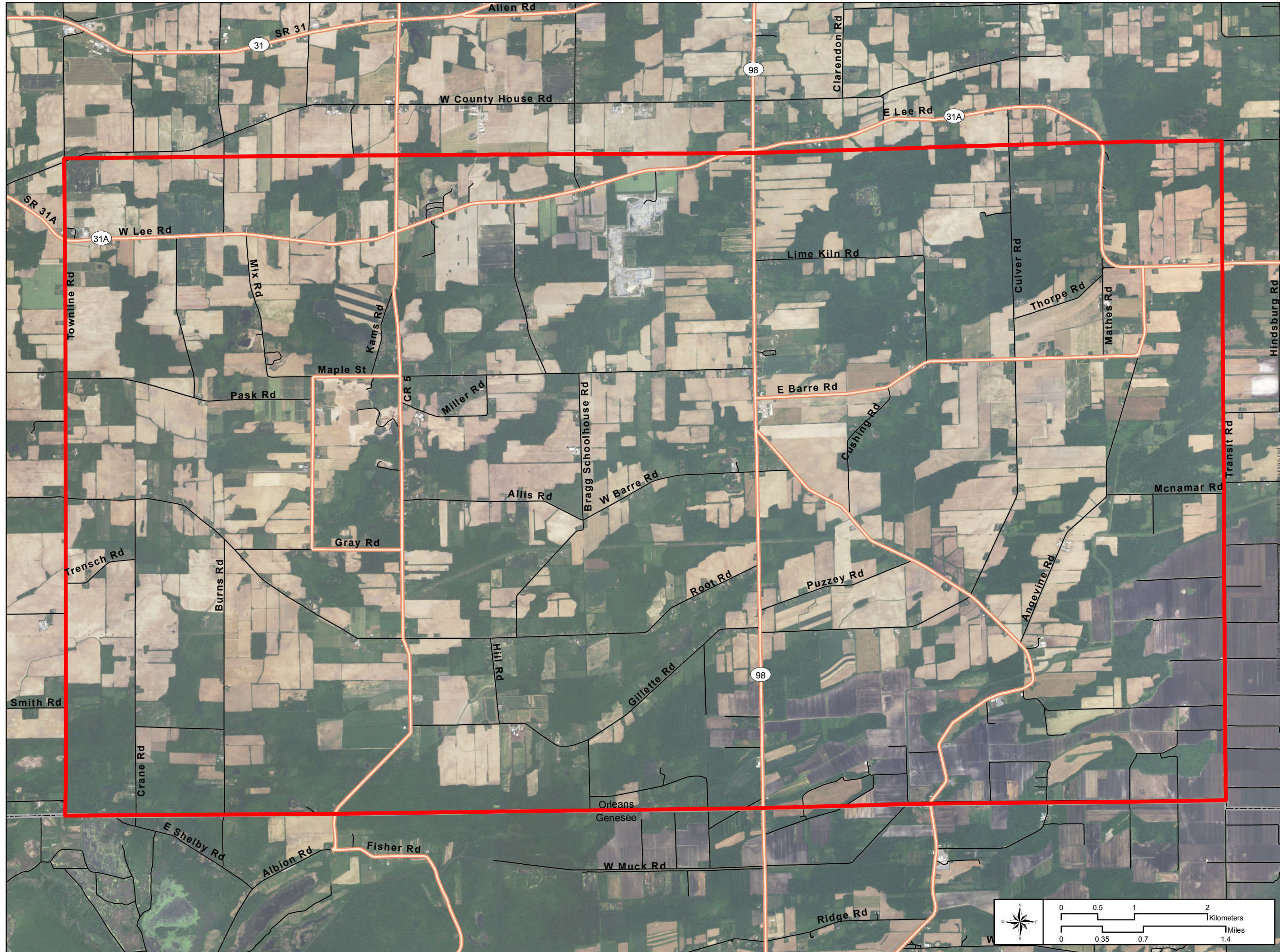


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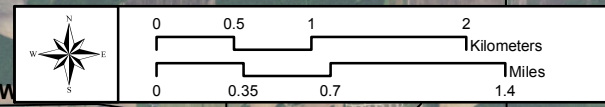


**Exhibit B3:  
Project Aerial View**

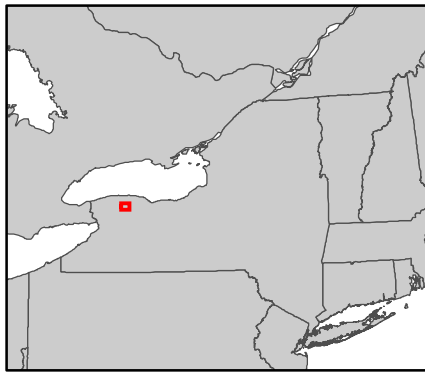
-  Project Boundary
-  County Boundary
-  Major Roads
-  Streets






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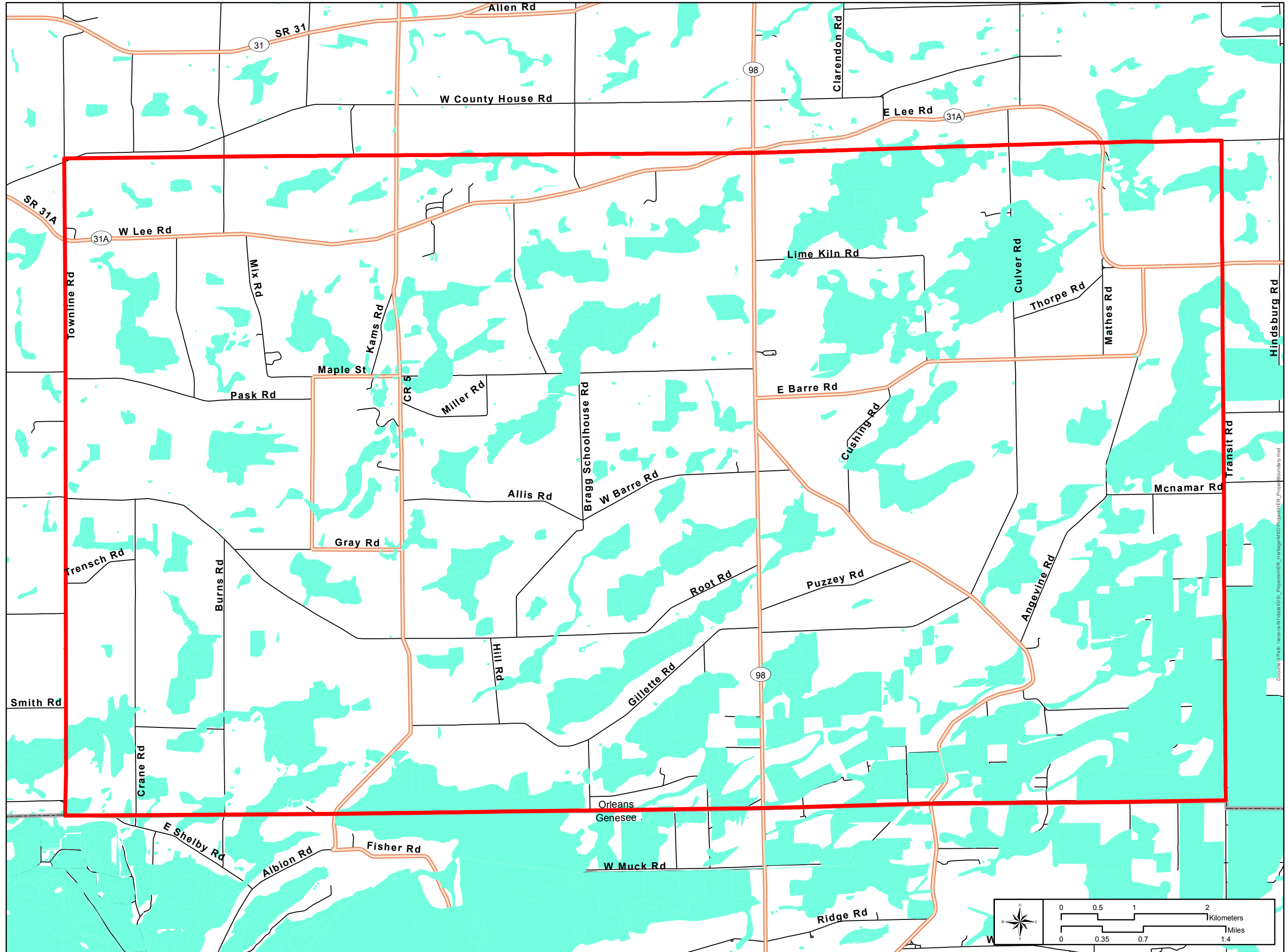




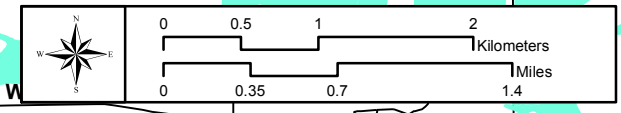


**Exhibit B5:  
Preliminary Wetland Area**

-  Project Boundary
-  County Boundary
-  Wetlands
-  Major Roads
-  Streets



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# **Exhibit C: U.S. Census Language Spoken at Home**



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1	B16001: LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR THE POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER - Universe: Population 5 years and over																										
2	2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates																										
3	Supporting documentation on code lists, subject definitions, data accuracy, and statistical testing can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Data and Documentation section.																										
4	Sample size and data quality measures (including coverage rates, allocation rates, and response rates) can be found on the American Community Survey website in the Methodology section.																										
5	Although the American Community Survey (ACS) produces population, demographic and housing unit estimates, it is the Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program that produces and disseminates the official estimates of the population for the nation, states, counties, cities and towns and estimates of housing units for states and counties.																										
6																											
7		ZCTA5 14008		ZCTA5 14012		ZCTA5 14028		ZCTA5 14067		ZCTA5 14094		ZCTA5 14098		ZCTA5 14103		ZCTA5 14105		ZCTA5 14108		ZCTA5 14126		ZCTA5 14411		ZCTA5 14571			
8		Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error		
9	Total:	1,258	+/-262	2,336	+/-217	1,369	+/-313	5,096	+/-538	47,608	+/-806	2,934	+/-218	10,119	+/-287	4,019	+/-362	5,434	+/-521	685	+/-245	13,733	+/-423	1,089	+/-227		
10	Speak only English	1,246	+/-261	2,208	+/-234	1,345	+/-311	5,013	+/-558	45,717	+/-906	2,637	+/-260	9,377	+/-392	3,861	+/-342	5,396	+/-517	685	+/-245	12,515	+/-457	1,042	+/-232		
11	Spanish or Spanish Creole:	10	+/-16	89	+/-81	10	+/-15	15	+/-21	876	+/-305	41	+/-66	352	+/-189	75	+/-66	10	+/-17	0	+/-11	822	+/-235	0	+/-11		
12	Speak English "very well"	0	+/-11	26	+/-22	9	+/-15	3	+/-6	576	+/-225	30	+/-53	248	+/-152	69	+/-66	10	+/-17	0	+/-11	629	+/-217	0	+/-11		
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14	French (incl. Patois, Cajun):	0	+/-11	9	+/-12	7	+/-12	36	+/-34	118	+/-75	5	+/-9	15	+/-20	3	+/-4	9	+/-17	0	+/-11	43	+/-54	18	+/-27		
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16	Speak English less than "very well"	0	+/-11	0	+/-11	0	+/-11	0	+/-16	0	+/-27	0	+/-11	0	+/-18	3	+/-4	0	+/-16	0	+/-11	0	+/-18	9	+/-14		
17	French Creole:	2	+/-4	0	+/-11	0	+/-11	0	+/-16	0	+/-27	0	+/-11	0	+/-18	0	+/-11	0	+/-16	0	+/-11	6	+/-9	0	+/-11		
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66	Speak English "very well"	0	+/-11	0	+/-11	0	+/-11	0	+/-16	0	+/-27	0	+/-11	0	+/-18	0	+/-11	0	+/-16	0	+/-11	0	+/-18	0	+/-11		
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 129 Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The value shown here is the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. In addition to sampling variability, the ACS estimates are subject to nonsampling error (for a discussion of nonsampling variability, see Accuracy of the Data). The effect of nonsampling error is not represented in these tables.  
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136 Methodological changes to data collection in 2013 may have affected language data for 2013. Users should be aware of these changes when using multi-year data containing data from 2013.  
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139 While the 2010-2014 American Community Survey (ACS) data generally reflect the February 2013 Office of Management and Budget (OMB) definitions of metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas; in certain instances the names, codes, and boundaries of the principal cities shown in ACS tables may differ from the OMB definitions due to differences in the effective dates of the geographic entities.  
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142 Estimates of urban and rural population, housing units, and characteristics reflect boundaries of urban areas defined based on Census 2010 data. As a result, data for urban and rural areas from the ACS do not necessarily reflect the results of ongoing urbanization.  
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144 Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates  
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- 146 Explanation of Symbols:
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  - 149 2. An '-' entry in the estimate column indicates that either no sample observations or too few sample observations were available to compute an estimate, or a ratio of medians cannot be calculated because one or both of the median estimates falls in the lowest interval or upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
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  - 151 4. An '+' following a median estimate means the median falls in the upper interval of an open-ended distribution.
  - 152 5. An '\*\*\*\*' entry in the margin of error column indicates that the estimate is controlled. A statistical test for sampling variability is not appropriate.
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  - 155 8. An '(X)' means that the estimate is not applicable or not available.
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# **Exhibit D: Heritage Wind Outreach Log**

Heritage Wind Outreach Log

Date of Meeting/ Event	Location of Meeting/ Event	Meeting/ Event Attendees	Purpose of Meeting/ Event	Follow-up Action Items	Comments
<b>Completed Activities</b>					
May 12th, 2016	Barre Town Hall	Community members, Councilmen of Barre Town Board, Barre Town Planning Board members	General information session covering project design process, permitting process, and lease terms		
May 18th, 2016	Barre Town Hall	Members of Barre community	General information session covering project design process, permitting process, and lease terms		
May 24th, 2016	Barre Town Hall	Members of Barre community	General information session covering project design process, permitting process, and lease terms		
June 9th, 2016	Albion Hoag Library	Members of Barre community	General information session covering project design process, permitting process, and lease terms		
June 23rd, 2016	Albion Hoag Library	Members of Barre community	General information session covering project design process, permitting process, and lease terms		
July 6th, 2016	Barre Town Hall	Members of Barre community	General information session covering project design process, permitting process, and lease terms		
July 20th, 2016	Barre Town Hall	Members of Barre community	General information session covering project design process, permitting process, and lease terms		
September 14th, 2016	Ridgeway Town Hall	Members of Ridgeway Town Board	Present to the Ridgeway Town Board, at their request, information about the project development process.		

# **Exhibit E: Project Information Sheets**

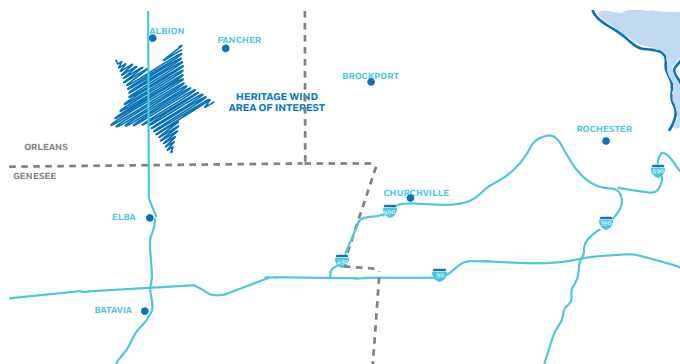
# HERITAGE WIND PROJECT

Apex Clean Energy is exploring the feasibility of developing Heritage Wind, a wind energy project in the Town of Barre in Orleans County. Apex has spent the past few years in Orleans County getting to know the people and the area. A project such as Heritage Wind can bring the community together in economic growth while enhancing its agricultural roots.

Apex is in the early stages of determining the feasibility of the project. Early desktop studies show that Heritage Wind could comprise approximately 70 turbines that produce up to 200 MW of power.

Apex Clean Energy chose to explore the Town of Barre for the following reasons:

- Verified wind resource
- Existing high-voltage power lines
- Open agricultural land suitable for wind turbines



## A Clean Economic Opportunity for Orleans County

Representing a private investment that could be in the millions, Heritage Wind can benefit the economies of the Town of Barre and Orleans County in the near term with construction jobs and local purchasing of materials and services. In the long term, the project could bring sustained tax revenue to the county for the local government and schools, as well as more than 25 years of local purchasing, employment, and investment.

Farmers who host turbines on their property and other participating landowners will also receive annual lease payments. These payments will continue over a potential 25-year lifespan of the wind farm, injecting millions of dollars into Orleans County's economy to support local merchants, contractors, and equipment suppliers.

The cost of wind energy has dropped more than 50% over the past five years, providing a cost-competitive source for clean electricity across the nation. Wind powers the equivalent of 18 million American homes each year.\* Wind energy comes with many benefits, including reduced pollution, increased domestic employment, consumer cost savings, water conservation, nationwide availability, and increased community revenues.\*\* Wind turbines complement working farms, because they allow for existing agricultural operations to continue around them. They also help farmers by diversifying the rural economy and providing a consistent, drought-resistant new harvest.

## Local Economic Benefits

- Enough power for about 52,800 U.S. homes (200 MW)
- Farmers would be able to continue farming their land with very limited disturbance
- At least 25 years of annual revenue for county, local landowners, and local schools, totaling millions of dollars

\*AWEA, *Wind Energy Facts at a Glance*, March 2015

\*\*Department of Energy, *Wind Vision: A New Era for Wind Power in the United States*, 2015

# INTRODUCING APEX CLEAN ENERGY

## We Harness the Power of the Wind and Sun

Our business is to responsibly develop clean, reliable energy from the abundant wind and solar resources found throughout the United States. We bring renewable energy to the market responsibly, by carefully siting projects in suitable locations around the nation.

## Apex Clean Energy Is a Proven Industry Leader

Founded in 2009, Apex has become one of the fastest-growing companies in the clean energy industry. Apex is an independent, privately held renewable energy company based in Charlottesville, Virginia.

## Apex Management Is Experienced

A growing company of over 200 people, Apex is led by a team of wind energy veterans with collective experience of over \$10 billion in the development, financing, construction, and operation of wind and solar energy facilities now operating in the United States. The Apex team offers in-house expertise in wind resource assessment, development, permitting, wildlife biology, engineering, information technology, construction, and finance.



## Careful Site Selection Brought Us to Orleans County

Heritage Wind is typical of our careful approach to project development. Apex chooses locations with supportive landowners, a proven wind resource, access to high-capacity transmission lines, low risk for wildlife impacts, and compatibility with existing land uses. We work to become community partners and establish long-term relationships in the areas where we work.

## We Want to Meet You

Ben Yazman is the primary contact for Heritage Wind. He coordinates with a cross-disciplinary team to advance projects through all stages of development up to power marketing, with a focus on site identification and acquisition. An experienced project manager, Ben joined Apex in February 2016 after three and a half years of supporting USAID programs in Afghanistan with Chemonics International.

*"I look forward to working with the Barre community to bring Heritage Wind to life."* —Ben Yazman

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# Apex Clean Energy

Accelerating the shift to clean electricity

## About Apex

Apex is a renewable energy company that is uniquely well-positioned to deliver large-scale clean energy solutions to markets across the country. Our mission is to accelerate the shift to clean energy.

**\$3 billion of clean energy opportunity created to date**



## Bringing Clean Energy Resources to Market

We deliver turnkey wind or solar facilities to investors while typically retaining an ownership interest and providing long-term asset management services.

**Over 1,600 MW operating or under construction**

This past year, we completed construction of five wind facilities

in Illinois, Texas, and Oklahoma. These projects represent a total capital investment of more than \$2 billion. Operating assets under management have grown to 1,015 MW.

We work with such companies as AEP, Southern Power, IKEA, Google, First Reserve, and others. Our facilities offer competitive power prices, steady returns, and the ability to hedge inflation and carbon risk.

## Positioned to Bring Capacity Online Quickly

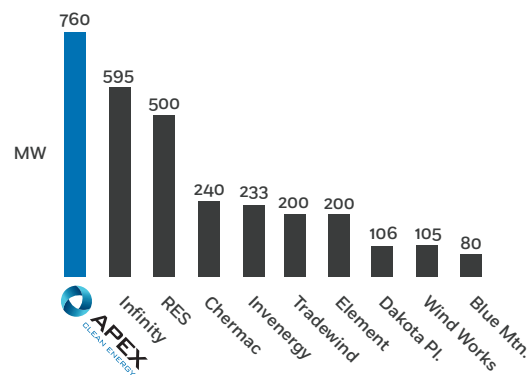
We are purpose-built to deliver clean energy solutions throughout the project life cycle, including site origination, development, financing, turnkey construction management, and long-term asset management.

With transmission applications for approximately nine gigawatts of clean energy in key markets, Apex is strategically placed to build out our portfolio in the years to come.

**Over 12,000 MW currently under development**

## First in Power Purchase Agreements Among Independents

Apex ranked first among independent wind energy companies for power purchase agreements signed in 2013 and fourth overall.



AWEA 2013 Annual Report, page 103



# WIND ENERGY FACTS

## Fact: Currently installed wind energy produces enough electricity to power more than 15.5 million homes

Thirty-one percent of all new U.S. electricity generation that has come online in the past five years has come from wind energy facilities.<sup>1</sup>

## Fact: Wind energy helps consumers save money

The cost of electricity from wind has dropped 58% in the past five years (see right). New Department of Energy data shows that the 11 states with the most wind energy installed have saved more on their electric bills than utility customers in other states.<sup>2</sup>

## Fact: Wind energy is reliable

As of 2014, wind reliably provides more than 25% of the electricity in Iowa and South Dakota and more than 12% of the electricity needs in seven other states.<sup>3</sup>

## Fact: Wind farms have a limited impact on birds

Wind farms cause far fewer bird deaths than transmission lines and other traditional energy sources. All wind projects must comply with wildlife agency permit standards. According to a National Academy of Sciences study, wind turbines contribute to less than 0.0003% of human-caused bird fatalities.<sup>4</sup>

## Fact: Courts around the world have dismissed cases regarding health effects of wind turbines

Since 1998, 49 cases have been heard in at least five countries regarding health effects caused by wind turbines. Forty-eight cases have been dismissed due to the fact that there was no reliable evidence that sound and shadow flicker from wind turbines made people sick.<sup>5</sup>

## Fact: Modern wind farms are less dangerous to eagles than many other human-caused factors

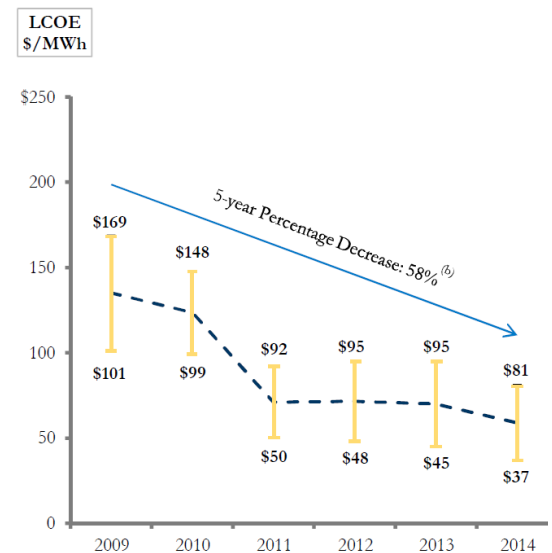
Turbines at modern wind farms are responsible for less than 2% of all reported human-caused eagle fatalities. Much greater numbers of eagle deaths are attributed to power lines, lead poisoning, vehicle strikes, illegal shootings, and other causes.<sup>6</sup>

## Fact: Wind energy incentives are smaller than those given to other energy sources

Since 1950, 70% of all energy subsidies have gone to conventional fuel sources. As recently as 2002–2007, conventional sources received nearly five times as much in tax incentives as renewables.<sup>7</sup>

## Fact: Wind farms do not affect property values of nearby homes

A study by Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory studied 50,000 U.S. home sales near 67 wind facilities in 27 counties and found that there was no evidence that home values were affected.<sup>8</sup>



Source: Lazard, "Lazard's Levelized Cost of Energy Analysis," Version 8.0 (2014).

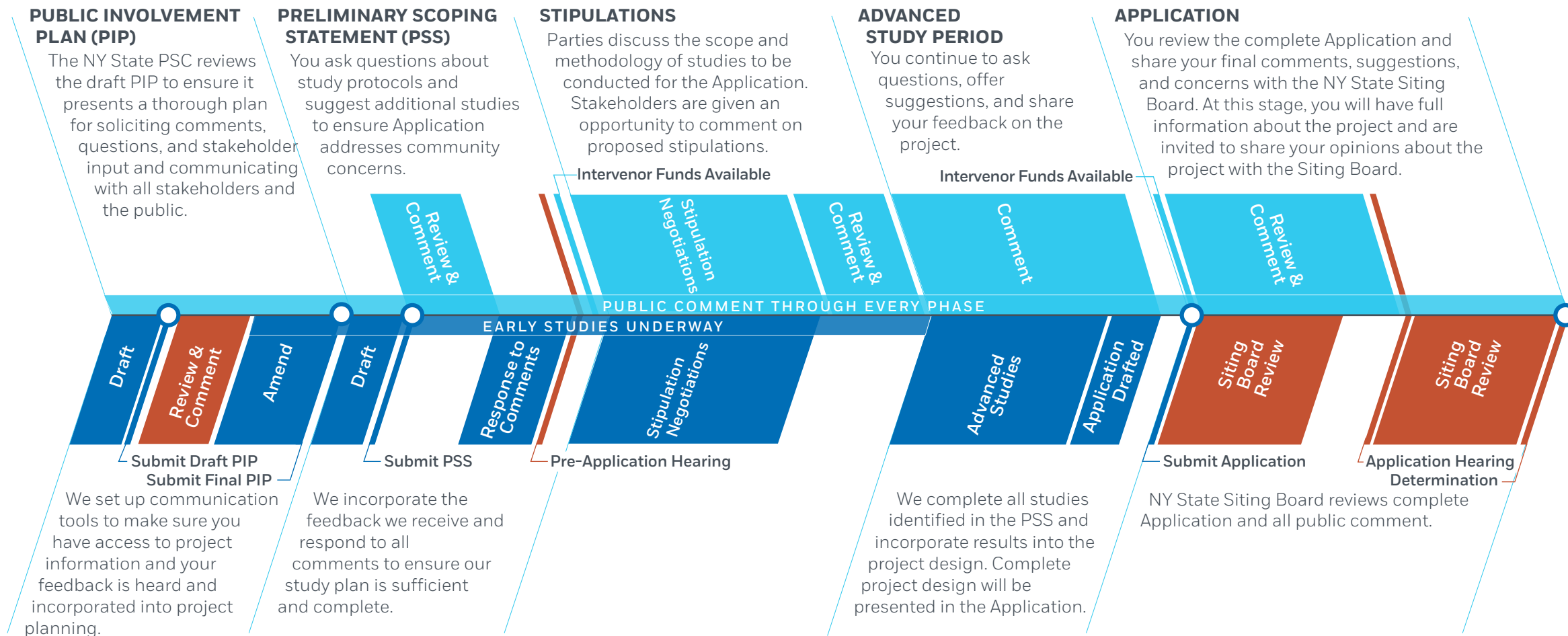
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**Exhibit F: Article 10 Education  
Materials**

# YOU ARE A STAKEHOLDER

The graphic below depicts the **New York Article 10** process. As a stakeholder, you have the opportunity to submit feedback throughout the permitting period.



MILESTONES

PUBLIC/STAKEHOLDERS

HERITAGE WIND

PSC/NY STATE SITING BOARD

A more detailed description of the process can be found at [heritagewindpower.com](http://heritagewindpower.com)

# GETTING INVOLVED

## Permitting Wind Energy in New York

New York has a very rigorous state permitting system for major electric generating facilities called Article 10. The Article 10 process will offer members of the public many opportunities to share their opinions and suggestions about Heritage Wind with both Apex and the New York State Board of Electric Generation Siting and the Environment ([www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard](http://www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard)).

## What Is Article 10?

Article 10 defines a clear process for public engagement in permitting large electric generating facilities. Article 10:

- applies to electric generating facilities with 25 MW generating capacity or more, including renewable energy projects
- includes environmental justice and environmental and health requirements
- ensures broad public involvement opportunities throughout the process
- makes funds available to local parties and municipalities through an intervenor fund so they can make an effective contribution to the proceedings

There are five stages in the Article 10 process:

1. **Pre-Application:** Applicants must file a Public Involvement Program Plan summarizing activities to educate, inform, and involve the public in the process 150 days before filing a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS). Ninety days before filing an application, the applicant files the PSS, which must also be provided to state and municipal agencies, state and local officials, and local libraries. A notice summarizing the PSS must also be placed in newspapers. The PSS must include:

- proposed facility and environmental setting
- potential significant, adverse environmental/health impacts
- proposed studies to evaluate potential impacts
- measures to avoid or mitigate adverse impacts
- reasonable alternatives
- state and federal requirements

After the Preliminary Scoping Document is submitted, circulated, publicly noticed, and after at least half of the intervenor funds have been awarded, consultation begins with interested parties on the methodology and scope of impact studies. The public has an opportunity to comment on the Preliminary Scoping Statement, and the applicant (Apex, in this case) is required to respond to the written public comments.

2. **Application:** The project application will be filed with the Siting Board and made available for public inspection at libraries. Copies of the application will also be provided to interested parties, and a notice summarizing the application will be published in local newspapers. State legislators in impacted districts will also be notified. The application must include:

- project description
- public involvement activity
- facility and community security and safety plans
- evaluation of expected environmental/health impacts, environmental justice issues, and reasonable alternative locations

3. **Administrative Hearings:** Within 60 days of receiving a project application, the chair of the Siting Board determines if the application complies with all filing requirements. If so, a date for the public hearing is set. The hearing examiner also holds a pre-hearing conference to identify intervenors, award intervenor funds, identify issues for the hearing, and establish a case schedule.

4. **Siting Board Decision:** The Siting Board must make explicit findings about the nature of the environmental impacts related to construction and operation of the facility and related facilities. Specifically, the board will consider impacts to:

- statewide electrical capacity
- ecology, air, ground and surface water, wildlife, and habitat
- public health and safety
- cultural, historical, and recreational resources
- transportation, communication, utilities, etc.
- cumulative emissions on the local community according to environmental justice regulations

The board must also determine that the facility is a “beneficial addition or substitute for” generation capacity, that construction and operation are in the public interest, that adverse environmental effects will be minimized or avoided, and that the project is in compliance with state laws and regulations.

5. **Compliance:** Once the project is certified, there are three elements of post-certification compliance:

- **Pre-Construction:** Includes the filing of engineering and design documents, permits, or approvals
- **DPS On-Site Compliance:** Staff from the Department of Public Service will be on hand to ensure that compliance requirements are met at the facility after construction begins
- **Long-Term Compliance:** After construction, a facility’s certificate may require long-term compliance regarding the operation of the facility over its lifetime

## The Intervenor Fund

The intervenor fund exists to ensure that it is possible for any interested local parties or municipalities to contribute to the proceedings. All projects must pay \$350 per MW of generating capacity into the fund, up to \$200,000, during the pre-application stage.

In addition, each project application must be accompanied by a fee of \$1,000 per MW of capacity into the fund, up to \$400,000, during the application stage. The presiding examiner or secretary will issue a notice when funds are available, informing the public on how they may apply for a portion of these funds. Requests for funds must be submitted to the presiding examiner no later than 30 days after the issuance of the notice of availability. Eligible municipal and local parties may request funds by filing the requests with the secretary of the Siting Board and submitting a copy to the presiding examiner and to the other parties to the proceeding.

Funds will be awarded to municipalities and local parties on an equitable basis, when it is determined that the funds will to be used to contribute to a complete record leading to an informed decision as to the appropriateness of the site and the facility, and will facilitate broad participation in the proceeding.

Half of the intervenor funds must be available for municipal parties and half to local parties to hire expert witnesses, consultants, or lawyers.

## For More Information About the Article 10 Process . . .

The State of New York has an office within the Department of Public Service, called the Public Information Coordinator, to assist and advise interested parties and members of the public on participation in the siting and certification of major electric generating facilities. To learn more about the Public Information Coordinator or to find its contact information, visit <http://tinyurl.com/NYDPS>.

**To provide comments on a case, contact the secretary of the Siting Board:**

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Email: [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov)

Phone the opinion line to leave a comment: 800.355.2120.