

**Viewpoint 37**

View looking Norhtwest from  
SUNY Morrisville in the Town of  
Eaton, Madison County, New  
York

**Coordinates:**

42.89351° N, 75.64055° W

**Date:**

8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**

State University of New York College  
of Agriculture and Technology at  
Morrisville, Village of Morrisville

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**

Village

**Viewpoint 38**

View looking Northwest from  
Chenango Street in the Town  
of Eaton, Madison County, New  
York

**Coordinates:**

42.89407° N, 75.64134° W

**Date:**

8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**

Morrisville State College Stadium,  
State University of New York College  
of Agriculture and Technology at  
Morrisville, Village of Morrisville

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**

Village

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## Viewpoint 39

View looking Northwest from  
Chenango Street in the Town  
of Eaton, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.89422° N, 75.64155° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Morrisville State College Stadium,  
State University of New York College  
of Agriculture and Technology at  
Morrisville, Village of Morrisville

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Village



## Viewpoint 40

View looking Northwest from US  
Route 20 in the Town of Eaton,  
Madison County, New York

### Coordinates:

42.90269° N, 75.66670° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Scenic Route 20, US Route 20

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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## Viewpoint 41

View looking Northeast from Bliss Road in the Town of Nelson, Madison County, New York



### Coordinates:

42.90950° N, 75.69829° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Morrisville - Equine Center

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

## Viewpoint 42

View looking Southeast from Brooks Road in the Town of Smithfield, Madison County, New York



### Coordinates:

42.93223° N, 75.69047° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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## Viewpoint 43

View looking Southwest from  
Rich Road in the Town of  
Smithfield, Madison County, New  
York

**Coordinates:**  
42.96143° N, 75.71294° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Moonlight Riders Snowmobile Trail,  
Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Agricultural/Rural Residential



## Viewpoint 44

View looking Southwest from  
Peterboro Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

**Coordinates:**  
42.98140° N, 75.72226° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Agricultural/Rural Residential

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## Viewpoint 45

View looking South from Nichols Pond Road in the Town of Fenner, Madison County, New York

### Coordinates:

42.99812° N, 75.74024° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

Recommended for photosimulation.



## Viewpoint 46

View looking South from Nichols Pond Road in the Town of Fenner, Madison County, New York

### Coordinates:

43.00338° N, 75.74197° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Nichols Pond County Park, Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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**Viewpoint 47**

View looking South from Nichols Pond Road in the Town of Fenner, Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**

43.00258° N, 75.74154° W

**Date:**

8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**

Nichols Pond County Park, Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**

Agricultural/Rural Residential

**Viewpoint 48**

View looking Southeast from Mile Strip Road in the Town of Fenner, Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**

42.99984° N, 75.76088° W

**Date:**

8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**

Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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## Viewpoint 49

View looking Southeast from  
Bellinger Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.98996° N, 75.76283° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential



## Viewpoint 50

View looking Southeast from  
Buyea Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.97202° N, 75.76444° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Snow Valley Riders Snowmobile Trail,  
Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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## Viewpoint 51

View looking Northwest from  
Cody Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.96448° N, 75.75196° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

Recommended for photosimulation.



## Viewpoint 52

View looking Northwest from  
Tower Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.95247° N, 75.72565° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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## Viewpoint 53

View looking Southwest from  
Wyss Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.94885° N, 75.75133° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential



## Viewpoint 54

View looking South-southeast  
from South Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.94408° N, 75.76462° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

Recommended for photosimulation.

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## Viewpoint 55

View looking Northeast from Nelson Road in the Town of Nelson, Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**  
42.92021° N, 75.77871° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Town of Nelson Playground and Sportfields

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Agricultural/Rural Residential



## Viewpoint 56

View looking North from Nelson Road in the Town of Nelson, Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**  
42.91740° N, 75.77669° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Scenic Route 20, US Route 20, Hamlet of Nelson

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Hamlet

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## Viewpoint 57

View looking Northeast from  
Constine Bridge Road in the  
Town of Cazenovia, Madison  
County, New York

### Coordinates:

42.89133° N, 75.82625° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

North Country National Scenic Trail,  
Snow Valley Riders Snowmobile Trail,  
Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor, Nelson Swamp Unique Area

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential



## Viewpoint 58

View looking Northeast from  
Hardscrabble Road in the Town  
of Nelson, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.88564° N, 75.80842° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

None within 100 feet.

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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**Viewpoint 59**

View looking Northeast from  
Hardscrabble Road in the Town  
of Nelson, Madison County, New  
York

**Coordinates:**

42.88541° N, 75.80398° W

**Date:**

8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**

North Country National Scenic Trail

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**

Agricultural/Rural Residential

**Viewpoint 60**

View looking Northeast from  
Cazenovia Art Park in the Town  
of Cazenovia, Madison County,  
New York

**Coordinates:**

42.91162° N, 75.83416° W

**Date:**

8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor, Stone Quarry Hill Art Park,  
Dorothy Riester House & Studio

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**

Agricultural/Rural Residential

Recommended for photosimulation.

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**Viewpoint 61**

View looking East from US Route 20 in the Town of Cazenovia, Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**  
42.92994° N, 75.85404° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Scenic Route 20, US Route 20, Memorial Park, Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor, Albany Street Historic District, Cazenovia Village Historic District, Village of Cazenovia

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Village

**Viewpoint 62**

View looking East from US Route 20 in the Town of Cazenovia, Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**  
42.92985° N, 75.85939° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Scenic Route 20, US Route 20, Lakeland Park, Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor, Albany Street Historic District, Cazenovia Village Historic District, Village of Cazenovia

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Water

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**Viewpoint 63**

View looking Northeast from  
NYS Route 13 in the Town of  
Cazenovia, Madison County,  
New York

**Coordinates:**  
42.92102° N, 75.86273° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Lorenzo State Historic Site, Erie  
Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor, Lorenzo State Historic Site,  
Cazenovia Village Historic District,  
Lorenzo, Rippleton Schoolhouse,  
Village of Cazenovia

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Agricultural/Rural Residential

Recommended for photosimulation.

**Viewpoint 64**

View looking East from Green  
Street in the Town of Cazenovia,  
Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**  
42.93286° N, 75.85695° W

**Date:**  
8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**  
Village Green, Erie Canalway National  
Heritage Corridor, Cazenovia Village  
Historic District, Village of Cazenovia

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**  
Village

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## Viewpoint 65

View looking East-southeast from Maple Road in the Town of Cazenovia, Madison County, New York

### Coordinates:

42.96046° N, 75.85500° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential



## Viewpoint 66

View looking East-southeast from Maple Road in the Town of Cazenovia, Madison County, New York

### Coordinates:

42.96018° N, 75.85182° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

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## Viewpoint 67

View looking Southeast from  
Bingley Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.96601° N, 75.81545° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential



## Viewpoint 68

View looking Southeast from  
Bingley Road in the Town of  
Fenner, Madison County, New  
York

### Coordinates:

42.96933° N, 75.78953° W

### Date:

8/31/2023

### Visually Sensitive Resource:

Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

### Landscape Similarity Zone:

Agricultural/Rural Residential

Recommended for photosimulation.

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## Viewpoint 69

View looking Southeast from Seibenbaum Road in the Town of Fenner, Madison County, New York

**Coordinates:**

42.99235° N, 75.80500° W

**Date:**

8/31/2023

**Visually Sensitive Resource:**

North Country National Scenic Trail,  
Erie Canalway National Heritage  
Corridor

**Landscape Similarity Zone:**

Agricultural/Rural Residential



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## **Visual Outreach Responses**



**From:** [Kiva VanDerGeest](#)  
**To:** [Town of Fenner](#)  
**Cc:** [David Jones](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Hoffman Falls Wind Project (ORES Matter No. 23-00038) - Visual Outreach  
**Date:** Friday, October 6, 2023 8:01:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi Lisa –

Yes, I will add that to our mailing list and ship to the Town Hall address.

Thank you –  
Kiva

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**From:** Town of Fenner <townclerk@townoffenner.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 6, 2023 6:26 AM  
**To:** Kiva VanDerGeest <kvandergeest@edrdpc.com>  
**Cc:** David Jones <dave.jones4879@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** Re: Hoffman Falls Wind Project (ORES Matter No. 23-00038) - Visual Outreach

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Good morning Kiva. Can you please send 6 sets of hard copies of the pdfs you sent via email along with the requested information for our town board. Thank you. Lisa

Lisa Dolan, Town Clerk  
Town of Fenner  
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Cazenovia NY 13035  
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**From:** Kiva VanDerGeest <[kvandergeest@edrdpc.com](mailto:kvandergeest@edrdpc.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 5, 2023 1:12 PM  
**Subject:** Hoffman Falls Wind Project (ORES Matter No. 23-00038) - Visual Outreach

Dear Project Stakeholder,

This email is in regards to the Hoffman Falls Wind Project (Facility) which is proposed to be



located in the Towns of Eaton, Fenner, Nelson, and Smithfield, Madison County, New York. On behalf of the Applicant (Liberty Renewables, Inc.), we are reaching out to you to request your input on the development of the visual impact assessment which will be included in the review under Chapter XVIII, Title 19 of NYCRR Part 900, §900-2.9 (Section 94-c of the New York State Executive Law).

Specifically, we are requesting your input on an inventory of **visually sensitive resources**, potential **visual simulation locations**, and sensitive **proposed land uses** within a five-mile radius of the Facility. In the attached letter and material with attachments at this link [2023-10-05 Visual Outreach for Stakeholders](#) we have provided information on recommended visual simulations and previously identified visual resources. **Your input is important to this process.** Your contributions should include historic and/or publicly accessible scenic locations that are important to you and the local community.

If there are any issues accessing the above link, please reach out. If required, paper copies can be provided upon request. We ask that your responses be provided by **November 5, 2023** so that we can ensure your input is included in the analysis.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this important outreach process and we look forward to receiving your input.

-Kiva

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## **Town of Fenner Planning Board Minutes: 10/18/2023**

Present: Monica Cody, Andy Stone, Sue Yanulis, Andre Schokker, Pete Snyder

Andy Stone called meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

### **Discussion of meeting minutes from 10/4/2023:**

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from 10/4/2023 by Andre Schokker, seconded by Pete Snyder. Motion carries.

It was requested that the Town Clerk post the approved meeting minutes expeditiously from 10/4/2023.

### **Discussion of Hoffman Falls Wind (ORES Matter #23-00038): Official Request for Stakeholder Input on Representative Viewpoints**

- 12 windmills are being sighted in the town of Fenner by Liberty Renewables.
- On 10/13/23 Liberty Renewables reps met with Andy Stone, Dave Jones and Nadine Bell (Town of Fenner Attorney). Summary of discussion included that some studies are finished. The cultural work is nearly done, as well as the Geotech work and 30% of the engineering. They did not discuss what roads would be used for blade transport but that they would pay to widen roads as needed within the town's 25 ft allowance from the center of the road. Blades are 250 ft long and will cause an issue with existing road conditions.
  - o Planning Board discussed that there could be local impact of power outages or line moves to make turns while traveling on roads during installation.
- These blades have heaters to prevent ice buildup and will shut blades down if ice buildup is detected.
- If ORES determines to use the Town of Fenner setbacks from turbines, the setback would be 1.5x height of tower to top of blade from center of turbine (990 ft setback). If ORES determines to use the 94C setback, it would be 1.1x the height of tower to top of blade from center of turbine (726ft setback).
- These tower pad would be 10' deep, with an 80' circumference with rock anchors. (Existing windmills are 15' deep. Note was made that one tipped over with that depth and a shorter stack.)
- For reference, some residential wells in the area are less than 30' deep, and existing windmills are 15' deep with anchors in rock. There is also shale in the subject areas and opportunities for creating points of well contamination ingress in surrounding home wells and impact on well flow rates. These conditions increase the possibility of future needs of new residential wells and is a potential point of concern.
- It was brought up that another local wind project has had an issue with its proximity to the Air Force test facility in Sherburn and flight pattern impact from windmill interference. This project is geographically closer to the Sherburn facility than the referenced project and could present a similar point of concern.



The planning board reviewed the Official Request and provided the following to be included in a response:

**IN RESPONSE to EDR and the Applicant (Liberty Renewables) requesting feedback for identification of additional Visually Sensitive areas before November 5, 2023:**

- Addition of the following locations should be added:
  - o The four highest points in the town of Fenner, assumed to be on Peterboro Road, Mutton Hill, Irish Ridge Rd, and Cody Roads, (assumed to be the Miller homestead and the Weaver homestead, the Perry homestead, and the Davis homestead). These locations present viewsheds that are in alignment with the Town of Fenner Comprehensive Plan as quintessential Fenner views.

**IN RESPONSE to EDR and the Applicant requesting feedback for identification of any proposed land uses that may be sensitive to visual impact before November 5, 2023:**

- The applicant should be made aware that The Town of Fenner has a moratorium on large capacity battery storage.
- The applicant should be made aware that there are areas within the town that are working on Farmland Preservation Easements which could have long lead times associated with them.
- It should be noted that there is existing wind zoning in the town of Fenner (zone C) and none of these proposed wind turbines are going into the approved zone C, so this project does not align with the Town Of Fenner Comprehensive Plan and current regulations. No efforts have been made to request modification of the current zone C footprint to the Town of Fenner Planning Board's knowledge at this time.

**IN RESPONSE to EDR and the Applicant requesting feedback for the selection of viewpoints for the production of photosimulations before November 5, 2023:**

- Modification of the following location and justification:
  - o **View point #51 (Cody Rd.) should be facing SE not NW. As currently described in the request, the photo simulation would not show where the proposed windmills would be. The image from August 31, 2023 is also facing the incorrect direction.**
  - o **View Point #54 (South Rd.) should include more East-SE, as well as South-SE and NE-East to cover the additional viewshed hit by the proposed windmills. The image from August 31, 2023 is also facing the incorrect direction.**
  - o **View Point #68 (Bingly Rd.) is correctly noted in the table that the image should face SE, but the image provided faces NE from August 31, 2023 and should be corrected.**
  - o **It is recommended that all of the locations noted be checked for accuracy as other towns' images were also noted to be looking in the incorrect direction (so any simulation would not show any windmills).**
- Addition of the following locations should be added:

- **View point #53 (Wyss Rd.) should be included in all directions, the current image from 8/31/23 looks only to the west. The appropriate directionals of West/Southwest/South and Northeast/east/southeast should also be included.**
- **View point # 52 (Tower Rd.) should be included in Northwest/west/southwest/south/southeast directions. The SUNY Morrisville horse facility is located there, and the surround of wind turbines can upset the horse demeanor and cause unsafe riding conditions.**

Motion by Pete Snyder to make the above recommendations to the Town of Fenner Board. Second by Sue Yanulis. Motion carries.

**Discussion of Feedback from NYS Distributed Energy Resources Advisory Group Training, attended by Sue Yanulis**

- NYS Distributed Energy Resources Advisory Group recommended using Silicone solar panels because they are not environmentally toxic and there is a recycling facility in NYS to support them.
- Concern was expressed that Cadmium is in some types of solar panels, which is considered a toxic material and there is not a recycling facility that can handle this material in NYS. The NYS Distributed Energy Resources Group commented that there should be visibility into the leases signed to determine the accountability and responsibility for removal (between land owners vs. the town in the event a landowner or energy company is unable to appropriately handle panels at the end of their useful life.) There is no facility to get rid of Cadmium based panels in NYS and it is very expensive to do so elsewhere.

**Planning Board recommendations to the Town Board:**

- Town residents in the subject Hoffman Falls wind project area should seek knowledge of their existing well flow rates and water quality to have a baseline for monitoring from in the event there are impacts in the future when windmills are installed.
- Town residents with solar contracts should be alerted to seek counsel regarding their disposal and recycling commitments within said contracts, and if the town or property owners are liable for disposal cost in the future. (Cadmium is used in some panels which Cypress Creek has said will be installed, which to our knowledge there is not a recycling facility in NY at this time for). Town Board should consider regulations on time limits surrounding disposal and removal of defunct/decommissioned solar panels in the future, preferably within 1 year of decommission activities.
- Town board should consider requirement that solar panels not contain Cadmium or any other materials considered toxic for disposal within the town of Fenner, knowing that they pose a potential health risk and are costly to dispose of safely. Silicon solar panels would be the preferred material at this time, knowing there is a NY based recycling facility. Furthermore, it was a recommendation by NYS Distributed Energy Resources Advisory Group that this be the preferred panel construction.



- Town of Fenner board should consider regulations to require wind turbines contain heating elements for de-icing in their regulations.

Motion to make these recommendations to the Town of Fenner Town Board by Sue Yanulis, second by Andre Schokker. Motion carries.

Motion to close by Sue Yanulis, second by Andre Schokker at 9:16PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Cody

**From:** [Kiva VanDerGeest](#)  
**To:** [Jim Cunningham](#)  
**Cc:** [John R. Langey](#); [Debbie](#); [John Laubscher](#); [John Lagorga](#); [Jennifer Marti](#); [Joseph Lewis](#); [Dave Jones](#); [Joe Wicks](#); [TJ Stokes](#); [Robert](#); [Daniel Zvirzdin](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Hoffman Falls Wind Project (ORES Matter No. 23-00038) - Visual Outreach  
**Date:** Friday, October 6, 2023 11:55:00 AM

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Supervisor Cunningham –

Thank you for your quick response to the Visual Outreach material provided. This is an important part of the process and your response is appreciated.

The information you provided will be reviewed and incorporated into Visual Impact Assessment. An important part of a visual impact assessment is to identify sensitive areas and determine the foreseeable visual impact, as this outreach kicks-off the visual study I do not yet have information to provide in return. In the meantime I will share your email with the Liberty Renewables team so they can coordinate with you more directly.

Thank you –  
Kiva

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**From:** Jim Cunningham <supervisornelsonjimc@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 5, 2023 7:45 PM  
**To:** Kiva VanDerGeest <kvandergeest@edrdpc.com>  
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**Subject:** Re: Hoffman Falls Wind Project (ORES Matter No. 23-00038) - Visual Outreach

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Kiva,

Thank you for reaching out to the Town of Nelson as EDRs representative for the proposed project on behalf of your client Liberty Renewables, Inc.

Route 20 intersects east to west in the middle of the Town of Nelson. Route 20 is a scenic byway as established within our masterplan and our LUR. that protects the existing scenic viewsapes. Loss of this essential viewscape will have a negative impact on the Towns economic



viability. Have you evaluated the viewscape economic loss to our Town? Please send me your evaluation of the economic loss to our Town as soon as possible.

How do you plan to address the visual viewscap issues as your project will definitely impact our designated RT 20 scenic byway?

The Town of Nelson established a wind energy moratorium. How will you address our moratorium?

The existing electrical transmission lines are not sufficiently sized to convey the energy being produced by your project. I understand that electrical storage will be part of your project. Is this true? What is the proposed location of the storage facility? How will your proposed storage area impact the Route 20 scenic byway within our Towns?

What is the proposed max height of the windmills your client is proposing? Have you developed a viewscape impact document and drawings for our Town to review? Will you please send that document and drawing(s) to me at your earliest convenience?

Can you please send me a copy of your agreement with Liberty Renewables, Inc. and a copy of your professional liability insurance policy covering this project.

Sincerely,

Jim Cunningham  
Town of Nelson Supervisor  
Madison County Board of Supervisors  
Madison County Soil and Water Conservation district board of directors  
NYS Conservation District Board of Directors  
Madison County Solid Waste and Recycling Chairman  
President Madison County Federation of Lakes

On Thu, Oct 5, 2023 at 1:12 PM Kiva VanDerGeest <[kvandergeest@edrdpc.com](mailto:kvandergeest@edrdpc.com)> wrote:

Dear Project Stakeholder,

This email is in regards to the Hoffman Falls Wind Project (Facility) which is proposed to be located in the Towns of Eaton, Fenner, Nelson, and Smithfield, Madison County, New York. On behalf of the Applicant (Liberty Renewables, Inc.), we are reaching out to you to request your input on the development of the visual impact assessment which will be included in the review