Wildlife and Windpower

November 2020

Researchers routinely find that wind energy has one of the lowest impacts on wildlife and their habitats of any utility-scale way to generate electricity. Wind turbines have a limited footprint, leaving 98 percent of the land undisturbed and available for wildlife habitat, farming, ranching, or recreation. Wind power reduces air pollution, including nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, and mercury, which harm both humans and wildlife. Wind energy does not require water and has no impacts on water quality. And wind power requires no fuel extraction, a leading source of habitat disruption

That's why many wildlife groups support responsibly sited wind farms. Still, the wind industry is committed to reducing its comparatively small impact. For example, while wind energy is responsible for less than 0.01 percent of human-caused bird fatalities, the industry is taking active steps to push that figure even lower.

Background

Climate change is one of the greatest threats to all kinds of wildlife, as well as the largest threat to birds in North America, according to the National Audubon Society. Research shows that climate change already affects the breeding. distribution, abundance, and survival rates of half the world's species. A review of more than 130 scientific studies found that one in six species worldwide could face extinction, if climate change continues unabated.

The wind industry has partnered extensively with conservation groups and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to create a set of comprehensive Wind Energy Guidelines to minimize impacts on wildlife. These guidelines allow wind energy companies to include wildlife issues as a key part of their holistic development process.

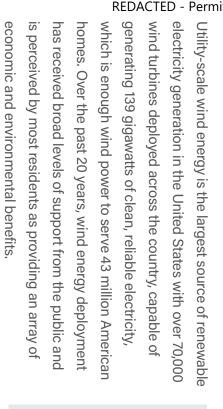
The National Wildlife Federation has found that "wind power is a key solution to addressing the threat of climate change" and that significantly more wind power will be needed in the future to keep warming levels safe for wildlife. A typical wind turbine repays its carbon footprint in six months or less and provides carbon-free electricity for the remainder of its 20-30 year lifespan, reducing the emissions leading to climate change. In 2019 alone, U.S. wind energy cut over 42 million cars' worth of carbon emissions.

CAUSES OF BIRD MORTALITY		
Cause of Mortality	Number of Birds (thousands)	Reference
Cats	1,400,000 - 3,700,000	Loss et al. 2013
Buildings and Windows	365,000 – 988,000	Loss et al. 2014a
Vehicles/Roads	89,000 - 340,000	Loss et al. 2014
Pesticides	17,000 – 91,000	Mineau 2004, 2005
Overhead Lines	12,000 - 64,000	Loss et al. 2014c
Communication Towers	6,500	Longcore et al. 2012
Lead ingestion	1,000 - 2,000	Scheuhammer and Norris 1995, Kendall et al. 1996
Mowing, agricultural cultivation	1,000 - 2,000	Tews et al. 2013
Commercial fishing	750 - 2,000	Manville 2005, Brothers et al. 2010
Oil pits	500 – 1,000	Trail 2006
Forestry	300 – 1,000	Hobson et al. 2013
Wind Energy	200- 350	Erickson et al. 2014



Wind Turbines and Public Health

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no ill health effects. near and work in proximity to operating wind turbines with Hundreds of thousands of people around the world live

the claim that wind farms cause negative health impacts. United States, Canada, Australia, and the United Kingdom scientific data and various government reports in the As discussed more in this paper, credible, peer-reviewed and other university and government scientists and esearchers now totaling more than 100 – soundly discredit

claims with respect to wind turbines including sound, low frequency noise and infrasound, shadow flicker, and electromagnetic field studies on health and living in proximity to wind turbines. These studies have investigated the wide range of purported negative health repeatedly conclude that wind turbines do not pose a threat to public health. emissions (EMF). Furthermore, independent health experts have conducted comprehensive reviews of the existing research and **properly at the permitting authority's approved setback distances do not pose a risk to people's health.** In fact, university researchers, government scientists, and medical and public health authorities have published over 100 peer-reviewed scientific Over 20 years of research into the impact of wind turbines on human health indicates that wind turbines when constructed

prevalent that it routinely appears in official correspondence and state and local siting regulations. And the misinformation itself Nonetheless, some community members are concerned that wind turbines may cause adverse health effects to those who live in where a negative outcome occurs due to a belief that the action will cause harm. can contribute to harmful impacts through the "nocebo effect", which is the opposite of the placebo effect. It describes a situation falsely claim that wind turbine sound, shadow flicker, and EMF harm human health. In fact, misinformation about wind energy is so proximity. Despite the overwhelming amount of data contradicting negative health impacts, opponents of wind energy continue to

Sound and Health: The Facts

to the exposure to sounds from operating wind turbines. The of Public Health in 2012 to convene a committee of expert apprehension and spurred the Massachusetts Department concerns and risks of living near wind turbines caused public Syndrome" (WTN).1 to wind turbines that can be characterized as "Wind Turbine there is no evidence for a set of health effects from exposure findings of the study were particularly conclusive, stating that evaluate the merits of the reported human health effects related scientists, engineers, physicians, and public health experts to The early spread of misinformation based on anecdotal health

equivalent of the U.S. Department of Health and Human symptoms) was conducted by Health Canada (the Canadian measurements as opposed to relying solely on self-reported million-dollar field study (including surveys and objective health Services). Health Canada found that self-reported sleep issues, To date, the most comprehensive multi-disciplinary, multi-

> sound is reduced as you get further from the turbine at normal volume at the base of a wind turbine, and the whooshing sound. Even so, you can have a conversation wind) may also be audible, but typically less so than the sound levels may be heard, infrasound near wind sound emitted from wind turbines is often described When in operation, wind turbines emit sound from the fans, generators, and gears that rotate the turbine into the In some instances, the mechanical sounds (e.g., cooling these levels, studies show does not cause health issues. turbines does not exceed hearing thresholds, which at frequency noise and infrasound. While low frequency emit sound over a wide frequency range, including low as a "swishing" or "whooshing" sound. Wind turbines rotating blades passing through the air. The dominant



illnesses, and stress were "not found to be associated with WTN exposure." Health Canada has published a series of peer-reviewed scientific publications over the past eight years consistently concluding that living adjacent to wind turbines does not pose a public health risk.²

Most recently, in April 2022, the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) released a review and summary of the available scientific literature regarding wind turbines and public health between 2004 and 2018. ODH concluded that "there is no significant body of peer-reviewed, scientific evidence that clearly demonstrates a direct link between adverse physical health effects and exposures to noise (audible, LFN, or infrasound), visual phenomena (shadow flicker), or EMF associated with wind turbine projects."^{3,4}

Furthermore, studies show that infrasound from wind turbines does not directly impact the vestibular system. Several recent studies on sleep disturbance have also concluded that there is no compelling evidence supporting the association between wind turbine sound exposure and sleep disturbance. 56,7

Shadow Flicker and Health: The Facts

Shadow flicker occurs when rotating wind turbine blades pass between the sun and an individual's home, casting a periodic shadow that may result in a flickering phenomenon.

Numerous health studies have concluded that shadow flicker does not cause negative health impacts to those living in proximity to wind turbines and does not increase risk of seizures in the small percentage of people with photosensitive epilepsy. Approximately 1.2% of the U.S. population has active epilepsy⁸ and even fewer with epilepsy have photosensitive epilepsy.

The panel of experts commissioned by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health¹⁰ concluded that there is no scientific evidence to suggest that shadow flicker negatively effects human health and that shadow flicker from wind turbines does not pose a seizure risk since shadow flicker from modern commercial wind turbines occurs at "flash" frequencies between 0.3 and 1 Hertz, whereas photosensitive epileptic seizures are triggered by flash frequencies between 5 to 30 Hertz or flashes per second.¹¹ For more information on Shadow Flicker and Wind Turbines, please see ACP's fact sheet: Wind Turbines and Shadow Flicker: Facts and Proven Mitigation Strategies.



A recent study by the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab reviewed people's perception of wind turbines and shadow flicker. The study found that only a small portion of the population near turbines experience any shadow flicker and "annoyance to shadow flicker was most strongly correlated with perceptions of wind project aesthetics and general annoyance to other (non-turbine) factors. Shadow flicker exposure was not a significant predictor of shadow flicker annoyance when subjective factors were included." The conclusions of the study indicate that shadow flicker annoyance is primarily a subjective response to other factors, such as the appearance of wind turbines and the individual's attitude towards the wind turbines. 12,13,14

EMF and Health: The Facts

Public concern over potential health effects from EMF is not new. There is extensive research over multiple decades on EMF and health by the academic community, government health agencies and scientists, and medical agencies. However, despite the wealth of scientific evidence not supporting a causal link between EMF and health issues at the levels of exposure typically encountered by the public, there has been increased concerns raised at public meetings and legal proceedings about exposure to EMF from wind turbines and associated electrical transmission. As with wind turbine sound and health effects, the concerns raised by wind energy opponents are not based on actual measurements of EMF exposure surrounding existing wind energy projects but appear to follow from worries from internet sources and a misunderstanding of the science.¹⁵

A study conducted at a wind project in Ontario Canada measured magnetic fields exposure to nearby homes in proximity to wind turbines, substations, and several buried and overhead collector and transmission lines.¹⁶ The study found that magnetic field levels in the vicinity of wind turbines are lower than levels that people are exposed to on a daily basis in homes, offices and schools, and much lower than exposure people receive from many common household electrical devices, such as televisions, hair dryers, cell phones, laptop computers, or other portable wireless devices. The researchers' findings are consistent with measurements conducted during a 2011 study at one of the largest wind turbine energy parks in Bulgaria (Israel et al. 2011), which found that EMF levels were four orders of magnitude lower than the levels known to cause harm to human health according to the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) guideline.¹⁷



Furthermore, the Ohio Department of Health upon reviewing the peer-reviewed scientific literature published between 2004 and 2019 came to the same conclusion that "information to date does not indicate a public health burden from electromagnetic fields generated by any part of a wind turbine or wind farm." ¹⁸

As noted, there are over 70,000 wind turbines operating across the U.S. and to date, there is no indication that those with pacemakers have been negatively affected.

Conclusion

Wind energy reduces the reliance on traditional, combustion-based electricity generation which in turn provides air-quality, pollution reduction, and greenhouse gas emission benefits. Reducing harmful air pollutants has a beneficial impact on pollution related respiratory illnesses such as asthma, lung cancer, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Between 2007 and 2015, wind-generated electricity avoided as many as 3,000 to 12,000 premature deaths according to researchers from the Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory,¹⁹ and in 2021, wind energy avoided over 318 million metric tons of carbon (CO₂) emissions, approximately 228 thousand metric tons of nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions, and approximately 221 thousand metric tons of sulfur oxide (Sox) emissions that leads to air pollution and climate change.

Hundreds of peer-reviewed scientific studies conducted on health effects and wind turbines clearly demonstrate that there is no direct link between adverse physical health effects and exposures to wind turbine sound (audible, low frequency noise, or infrasound), shadow flicker, or EMF associated with wind turbines and associated infrastructure.

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AGRICOLA WIND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



PROJECT DETAILS

How large is the proposed Agricola Wind project?

Agricola Wind will have a nameplate capacity of up to 99 MW and will utilize up to 24 turbines across the Towns of Venice and Scipio in Cayuga County, New York.

Why is a wind energy project being planned in this area?

The area wind resource is consistently very strong, and the local Miliken–Wright Ave 115-kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line has capacity for new power generation. These factors, along with local landowner participation, make the area highly suitable for a new wind energy project.

How much land will the project area use?

Each wind turbine takes up less than 1 acre of land at the surface once construction is complete. On average, access roads and buried power lines encompass an additional 1 acre per tower. Existing roads and cleared areas are used whenever possible to minimize disturbance. Other land will be needed for a substation and on-site operations and maintenance office. Agricola Wind will require less than 50 acres of land in total.

Where will the turbines be located?

As depicted in the preliminary layout, Agricola Wind consists of 12 turbines in Venice and 12 turbines in Scipio. Liberty continues to solicit feedback from participating landowners and the broader community to inform the final layout.

What is the timeline to operation for this project?

Agricola Wind could be fully permitted through the Office of Renewables Energy Siting (ORES) by Spring 2026. Construction could begin as early as Winter 2026 and continue for roughly 12 to 18 months. The project could become fully operational as early as Winter 2027. The project has an operational lifespan of up to 35 years.

Who is responsible for project decommissioning?

A decommissioning bond paid by Liberty will be established prior to construction, posted in escrow, and shared by the towns within the facility site. Towns are not responsible for decommissioning costs, all of which is outlined in the Article VIII (formerly Section 94-c) requirements for site restoration and decommissioning.

PROJECT BENEFITS

What benefits will the project offer to the area?

The project will invest in the community in several ways: lease and easement agreements with local landowners, a Host Community Benefit Agreement (HCA), a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement, and a Shared Community Payment for neighbors to the project. Liberty works closely with local agencies to structure agreements that financially empower the community. These financial benefits begin once the project is operational and continue on an annual basis for the project's lifespan. Further capital investments in local and state industries are made during construction and operation, as well as contribute to job creation and workforce development. Details about all benefits will be included as part of the socioeconomic impact assessment within the project's Article VIII application.

What is a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement?

Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement is one form of host community benefit required for clean energy projects under the ORES permit process in New York State. A PILOT Agreement is meant to provide clear and consistent benefit payments in lieu of taxes, shared among the county, towns, and school districts during project operation.

WIND TURBINES

Will turbines be located far enough away from homes, roads, and public spaces to avoid safety risks?

Article VIII regulations and turbine manufacturers outline strict setback distances based on the tallest wind turbine model under consideration for the respective project. Setback distances are measured as a straight line from the midpoint of the wind turbine tower to the nearest point on a building foundation, property line, or other feature. Compliance with setbacks is reflected in the proposed facility site's design.

Will guidance be provided to local safety officials?

Yes, Liberty has robust site security and safety response plans and is consulting with local safety and fire officials to ensure that they, as well as landowners, feel confident should an issue at the proposed facility ever arise. Training will be offered to these officials ahead of construction and throughout project operations.

How do turbines impact water wells, if at all?

Liberty takes the necessary precautions to ensure there are no changes pre and post construction to water wells as described in Article VIII regulations. This includes following specific regulations such as setback requirements, using a third-party to conduct testing throughout the project, etc.

Wind turbines & agriculture...

Wind energy provides a new source of income to farms, and can even compliment existing farming operations. Since each turbine typically uses less than one acre of land, the landowner has the potential to earn more per acre. The annual lease payments also create guaranteed, long-term income for these families.

Crops can continue to be planted, and livestock can still graze around the turbines.

During construction fields may be impacted, but Liberty works with individual landowners to minimize acreage utilized by features such as access roads.

Liberty must attain eighty (80) percent vegetative cover across all disturbed soil areas by the end of the first full growing season following construction. Precautions are taken to minimize soil compaction as well.

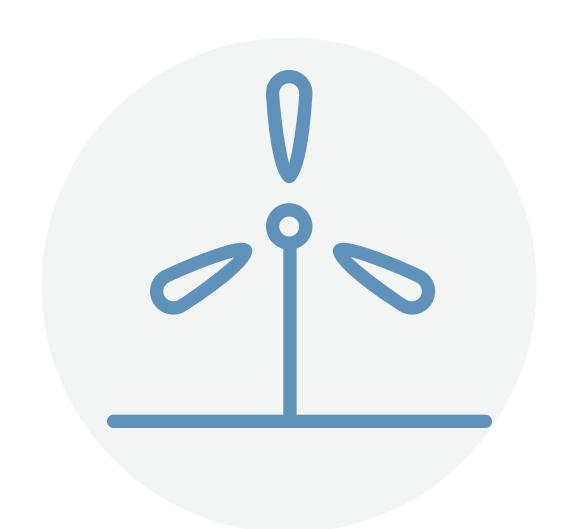




AGRICOLA WIND



REDACTED - Permit Application No. 23-00064



UP TO 24 TURBINES harvesting local wind



99 MW CAPACITY clean energy for 17,500+ homes



< 50 ACRES USED compatible with agriculture

DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE



Over \$1.5 million local investment annually once in operation

Over **\$63 million** local investment during the life of the project

BENEFICIARIES

TOWNS

Participating towns receive annual payments through Host Community Benefit Agreements



SCHOOLS

Local school districts receive annual payments through a PILOT agreement with Cayuga County



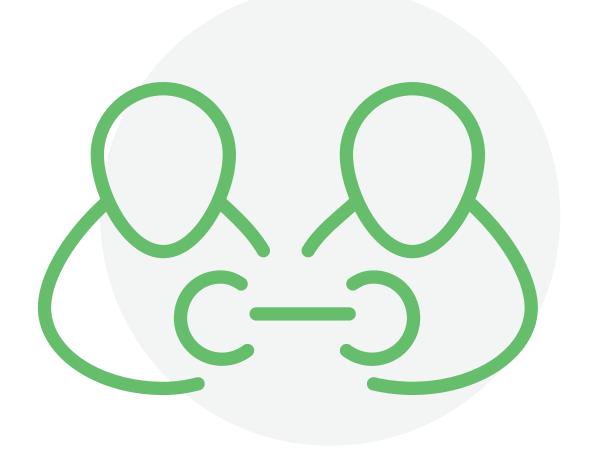
LANDOWNERS

Residents hosting project infrastructure receive annual payments through leases and easements



NEIGHBORS

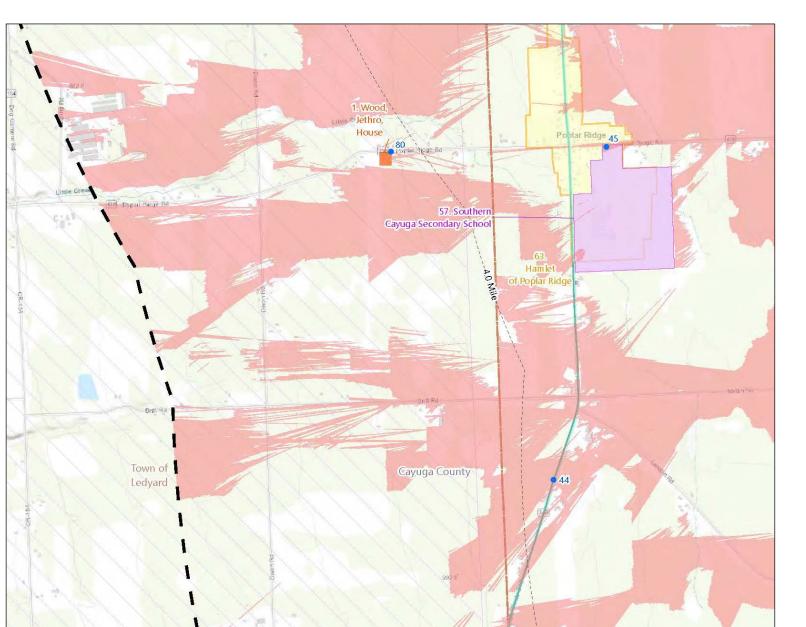
Additional annual payments through a Shared Community Payment Program

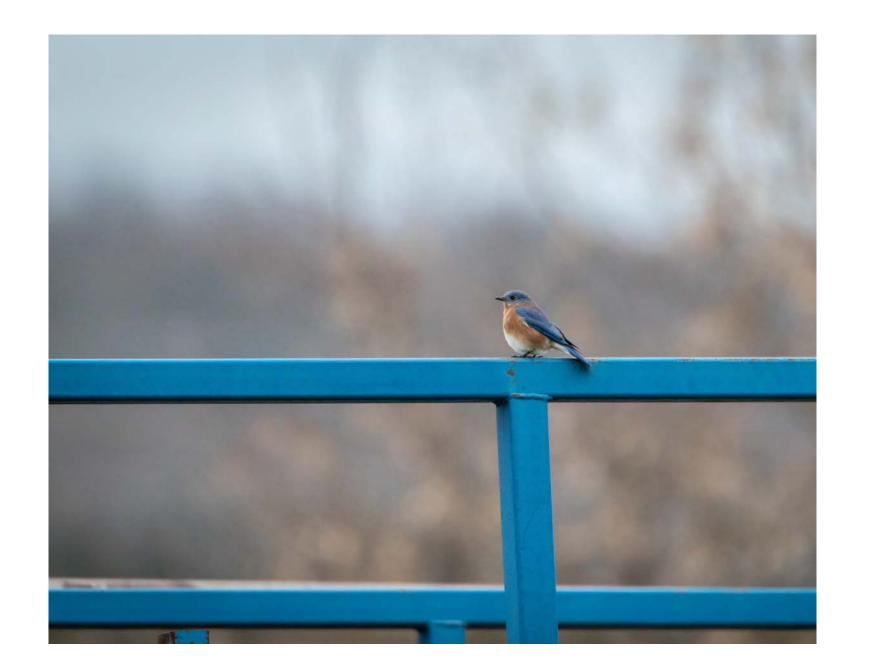


Environmental Resource Studies











Visual Impact Assessment

- In the spring of 2024, a viewshed analysis was conducted within a 5-mile radius of the Project to identify areas that may have visibility of the Facility.
- In the summer of 2024, visual specialists took photography in the direction of the Facility from representative viewpoints and visually sensitive resources that are likely to have visibility of the Facility.
- · To illustrate potential Facility visibility, photosimulations are being prepared from a subset of viewpoints selected in coordination with local stakeholders to illustrate potential visibility.
- These photosimulations will be used to assess foreseeable visual impacts associated with the proposed Facility and determine appropriate mitigation measures, where applicable.

Wetlands and Streams

- In the fall of 2023 and spring of 2024, wetland scientists identified and delineated the boundaries of wetlands and streams in the vicinity of proposed Facility component locations.
- The location and character of each wetland and stream was recorded using GPS technology.
- Project engineers have incorporated wetland and stream data into the design to ensure impacts are avoided and minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

Rare, Threatened, and Endangered (RTE) Avian Species

- Biologists have completed numerous avian surveys across multiple years, including:
 - Breeding Bird Surveys
- Fall Raptor Migration Surveys
- Winter Raptor Surveys
- Spring Raptor Migration Surveys
- Surveyors recorded and mapped detailed locations and behaviors of RTE species.
- The results of these surveys will be used to identify habitat and develop avoidance, minimization, and mitigation strategies that result in a net conservation benefit for all impacted RTE species.

Cultural Resource Surveys

- In the fall of 2023 and spring of 2024, archaeologists conducted surveys for undiscovered cultural resources. Surveyors identified visible surface-level artifacts and completed shovel testing, sifting the soil to look for subsurface artifacts and archaeological sites.
- In the summer of 2024 historic preservation specialists assessed historic resources in the area around the Project and the potential for these resources to have visibility of the Facility.











Representative Sound Levels

25-50 dBA (varies)

Dairy Farm



54 dBA

Chicken Coop Fans @ 100 ft



45-50 dBA

(varies)

Town Center (population 1500) @ 11 pm



59 dBA

Grain Dryer @ 100 ft



68 dBA

Interstate @ 100 ft



74 dBA

Combine @ 100 ft





Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES)—Section 94-c

- 45 dBA Leq (8-hour) at a Non-Participating residence; 55 dBA Leq (8-hour) at a Participating residence.
- If tonal noise present, limits reduced to 40 dBA at Non-Participating residence.
- Limits on low frequency noise—65 dB at 16/31.5/63 Hz
- No vibrations in a Non-Participating residence
- 40 dBA Leq (1-hour) at a Non-Participating residence from the substation. If tonal, limit is 35 dBA.
- 55 dBA Leq (8-hour) across a Non-Participating property line

Prior limits—SEQRA/local law

- Howard Wind (2011) 50 dBA limit at residence
- Noble Bliss (2007) 50 dBA limit at residence



WIND TURBINES & ICE THROW





What is ice throw & when can it occur?

Ice throw has the potential to occur when a turbine is exposed to freezing rain, fog, or any condition that produces ice. These conditions allow ice to buildup on exposed components of the turbine. After ice accumulates, an increase in temperature, too much weight, or wind conditions can cause this ice to drop, just as an icicle would from the roof of a house. Another scenario is ice being detached from a spinning rotor, which "throws" the ice from the turbines blades.

Can we predict <u>where</u> this can occur?

Westwood Surveying & Engineering, P.C. (Westwood) developed a numerical model based off of data from the "Wind Energy in Cold Climates" guidelines. This model is then used to estimate the probability of an ice fragment landing in any particular spot (down to a square meter) within the vicinity of the turbine. In the past, results have shown the probability of ice landing on a square meter of area is highest close to the turbine, and rapidly decreases as you move away from the turbine. For example, the likelihood of a 1-kg piece of ice being thrown 220 meters (721 feet) and landing in a particular square meter of area is 0.0003%. Public health and safety impacts related to ice shedding are unlikely because any ice is likely to fall within established setbacks.

<u>How</u> can the risk of ice throw off of wind turbines be avoided/minimized?

There are various ways to minimize/avoid the probability of ice throw occurring. Turbine suppliers offer cold climate solutions that lower the risk of ice throw & buildup on turbine components, which in some cases helps to avoid ice throw all together. There are several different methods of cold climate solutions that can be equipped to turbines to reduce/avoid the risk of ice throw. These include: sensing technology which can kick on a braking mechanism to stop the turbine from spinning in the event of ice buildup on a blade, or the implementation of a heating element, which can be used to melt ice from crucial parts of the turbine when buildup is detected (e.g., rotor, blades, etc.). In addition, all modern turbines have vibration sensors which can detect rotor imbalance, a common outcome of ice buildup, and when detected this triggers an automatic shutdown of the turbine. Overall, in the event that icy conditions are present, site personnel will follow the standard snowstorm/icing/snow accumulation response procedures (as outlined within the Safety Response Plan required under Article VIII).



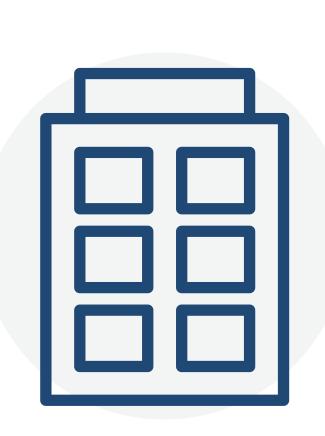




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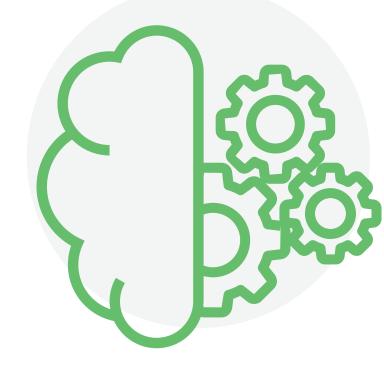


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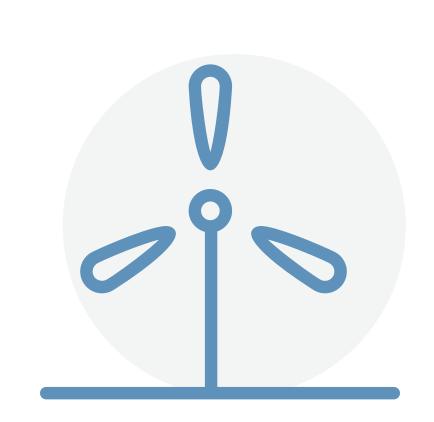
500 MW of clean wind energy projects in development across the state

Liberty is a Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) managed portfolio



2030 ambition will enable projects to reduce emissions by >150 megatons of CO2





120 GW of energy projects across various technologies and geographies



12 funds managed, and have to date raised over 30 billion (USD) globally for investments in energy





WHAT IS SHADOW FLICKER?



Shadow flicker refers to the intermittent change in the intensity of light in a given area resulting from the operation of a wind turbine due to its interaction with the sun. Shadow flicker is most common during sunrise and sunset, and typically only occurs during certain months of the year at a given location.

Several factors determine how often a turbine will cast a shadow:

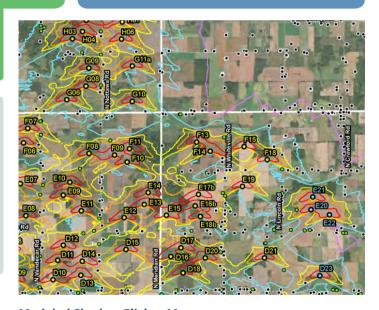
- Turbine height and length of blades
- Site topography
- Distance between turbine and structure
- Season and time of day
- Wind direction and speed
- Cloud cover

For example, there is no shadow flicker on cloudy days or when the wind is not blowing. Shadow flicker becomes weaker with distance.

Shadow flicker modeling includes:

- Wind turbine locations
- Wind turbine dimensions
- Nearby residences
- Terrain data
- Sunshine and wind data
- WindPro software

The impact of shadow flicker on homes, roads, and populated areas can be mitigated or avoided through the use of appropriate setback distances, pre-construction modeling analyses, and obstacles.



Modeled Shadow Flicker Map: Example provided by Epsilon Associates Inc.



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YOU'RE INVITED!

AGRICOLA WIND PROJECT | Virtual Community Meeting | Sept. 24, 2024 | 7 - 8 PM

Liberty Renewables is hosting a virtual community meeting for the proposed Agricola Wind Project, which is being developed in the Towns of Scipio and Venice in Cayuga County, New York. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a venue for information sharing as a follow-up to the open house event hosted by Liberty on August 13th, 2024 in Venice, New York.

During this virtual meeting, Liberty staff and subject matter experts will provide a live presentation covering project details and various topics of interest, followed by a question-and-answer session where attendees will be able to submit written questions to the presenters. If you'd like to submit a question ahead of time, please visit our site https://liberty-renewables.com, and complete the contact form at the bottom of the page.







Information will also be provided about the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) and on the future availability of local agency account funds, including the requirement to submit a request for initial funding within thirty (30) days of the date of application filing. Please visit ores.ny.gov/resources for more information on local agency account funding.

To join this virtual meeting, visit the Agricola Wind webpage, https://liberty-renewables.com/agricolawind/, where a link to join will be posted. Materials from the August 2024 open house are available for review on the Agricola Wind webpage as well.





Agricola Wind Project

Virtual Community Meeting



Introduction to Liberty Renewables & Presentation Speakers





Liberty Renewables in an New York State onshore wind developer established in 2019

- Majority of 11 full-time staff are located throughout Central New York
- Owned by Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) and supported by their NYC office



Scott BiggarDirector of Development

- · Joined Liberty Renewables in 2019
- Oversees the design and development of all projects



Juliana Heffern *Permitting Associate*

- Joined Liberty Renewables in 2022
- Offers general permitting support, focusing on community engagement





Jessica Klami Partner

 Works with Young/Sommer at the forefront of New York energy issues, including siting and development strategies for renewable energy projects





Dan Zvirzdin

Senior Project Manager

 Works with Environmental Design & Research (EDR) with more than 5 years of experience permitting renewable energy projects in New York





Christopher Hoyt
Senior Acoustical Scientist

 Works with Epsilon Associates, focused on sound level impact assessments and meteorological data analyses for energy, utility, and industrial clients



Agricola Wind Project Background

General Project Description

Agricola Wind is a proposed wind energy generation facility of up to **99 megawatts (MW)** in capacity, including **up to 24 wind turbine locations**, within the Towns of Scipio and Venice in Cayuga County, New York. Construction could begin **as early as Fall 2026** and would take approximately 18 months to complete.

Primary Siting Considerations



Availability of compatible land with a strong wind resource, supported by studies and analysis conducted since 2021



Existing Milliken-Wright Ave 115kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line with interconnection capacity for new power generation



Local landowner interest in being part of the Project through hosting turbines and other infrastructure on privately held property

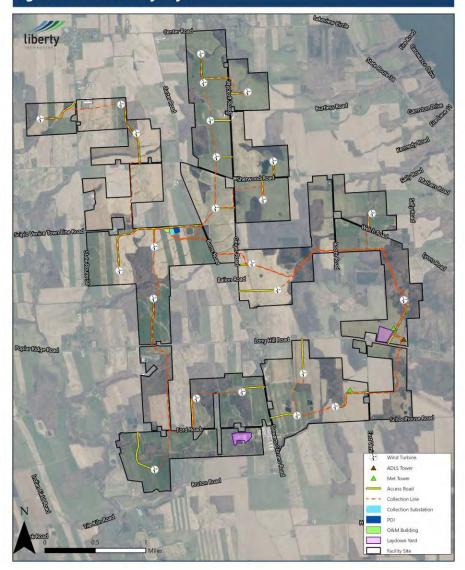


Low impacts to local environmental and agricultural resources

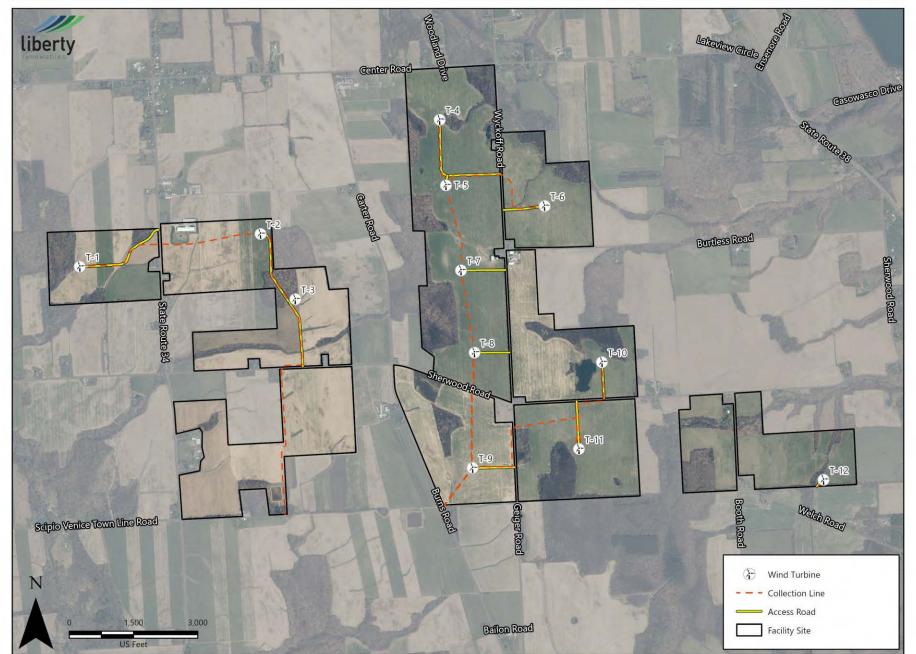


Compatibility with community economic goals and interests

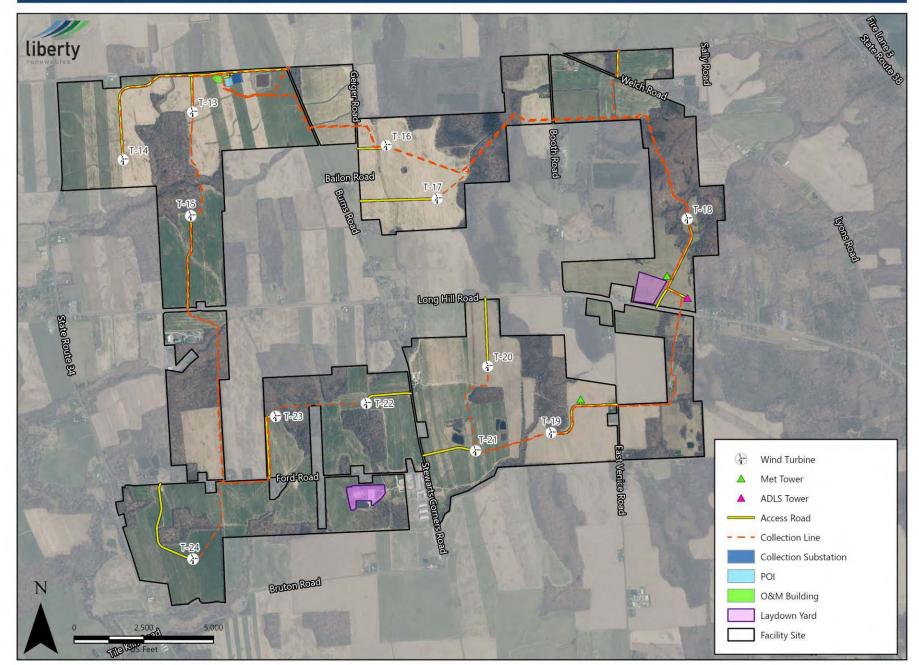
Agricola Wind Facility Layout













Local Community Benefits

The Agricola Wind Project will provide significant new benefits to the community, preserve the economic prosperity of the area, and adhere to rigorous health and safety requirements.



• The Project will provide **\$63 million** in local investment to the Towns of Scipio and Venice, Cayuga County, the Southern Cayuga County School District, local fire districts, and participating landowners.



• The Project will create over **52 full-time construction jobs** that will provide the workforce with new skills and contribute to the local economy, in addition to **3 local, long-term operations and maintenance jobs**. Local labor will be contracted for ongoing services, such as road repair, snow removal, and vegetation management.



• The Project's local investment through lease payments will support landowners, dairy farms, and agribusinesses, who collectively employ **more than 100 people** annually.



• The Towns are expected to receive approximately **\$400,000 annually** through the development of the Host Community Agreement, based on past precedent set by similar projects of this scale in New York State.

Agricola Wind Project Timeline

Permitting, construction, & end of life decommissioning.

2020

Development Activities Begun

- Consulting with landowners
- Wind resource assessments
- Introductions at town board meetings
- Environmental studies
- Grid interconnection studies



2026

Construction Commencement

- Approximately 12-18 months
- Construction activities limited to specified hours
- Detailed road use and transportation planning related to construction coordinated with NYS, Cayuga County, Towns of Scipio and Venice, school districts, and emergency responders

2052+

Project Life-Span of 30+ Years





2021

Public Launch of the Agricola Wind Project

Liberty hosted three public open house events to-date:

- 1. July 19, 2021 Filmore Glen State Park
- 2. March 1, 2022 Scipio Fire Hall
- 3. August 13, 2024 Venice Pavilion

Fall 2024

NYS Office of Renewable Energy Siting & Electric Transmission (ORES) Article VIII Permit Application

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Commercial Operation

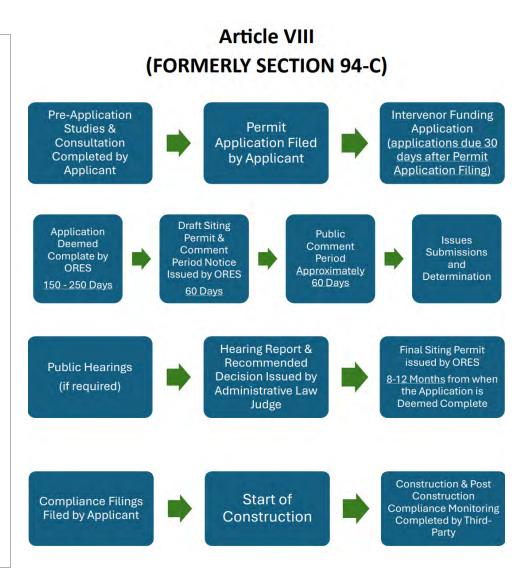




Permitting Jurisdiction & Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission (ORES)

Permitting Jurisdiction

- The mission of the Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission (ORES) is to consolidate the environmental review and permitting of major renewable energy facilities in New York State into a single forum that provides a coordinated and timely review of siting permit applications.
- All large-scale, renewable energy projects 25
 megawatts or larger are required to obtain a
 siting permit from ORES for new construction or
 expansion.
- ORES replaces other local and state reviews, however local municipalities and state agencies can participate in the review process.



Highlights of the Article VIII Process

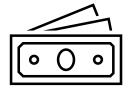
- Decision will be made by the Office of Renewable Energy Siting & Electric Transmission (ORES, or the Office), which sits under the New York State Department of Public Service (DPS)
- Requires pre-application consultations with state agencies, host municipalities and meeting with community members.
- Site-specific conditions may be developed in consultation with DEC for those impacts unable to be addressed by USC.
- Project must be designed to avoid or minimize, to the maximum extent practicable, potentially significant adverse environmental impacts.
- Office must make finding that the project, along with uniform and sitespecific conditions, would comply with applicable laws and regulations.
 - Only projects with "substantive and significant" issues require hearings and briefing.
 - ORES can elect not to apply a local law that is unreasonably burdensome in view of NY's Climate Act (CLCPA) targets and environmental benefits of project.
- Process requires municipalities to submit a statement of compliance with local laws.
 - Local community intervenors and host towns able to seek intervenor funds (\$1,000/MW).
 - –75% of funds reserved for municipalities.
 - -Must apply for funds within 30 days of application filing.
- Requires host community benefit.





ORES has established uniform standards and conditions (USCs) which must be followed and are designed to avoid, minimize and mitigate impacts.

Intervenor Funding



With the Application, Agricola Wind will submit a fee to be deposited in the local agency account in an amount equal to one thousand dollars for every MW of capacity (up to \$99,000 in this case).

- Funds from this account can be used by local agencies and community intervenors to defray costs associated with participating in the Article VIII process, including the hiring of experts, so long as use of the funds will contribute to a complete record leading to an informed permit decision as to the appropriateness of the site and the facility.
- Local agencies and potential community intervenors seeking funds from the local agency account shall submit a request to the Office within thirty (30) days after the date on which a siting permit application has been filed by the applicant pursuant to section 1100-1.6 of this Part.
- See ORES' website for more details on how to submit funding requests: https://dps.ny.gov/ores-resources.

ORES will reserve at least 75% of the funds for potential awards to Local Agencies, including funding for the preparation of the required statement of compliance with local laws and regulations.

- Local Agencies Any local agency, board, district, commission or governing body, including municipalities, and other political subdivision of the state
- Potential Community Intervenors Any person residing within a municipality within which a major renewable electric generating facility is proposed, or residing outside the municipality within which the facility is proposed, but within 5 miles of a proposed wind facility. Or any non-profit organization that can demonstrate a concrete and localized interest that may be affected by a proposed facility and that such interest has a significant nexus to their mission.
 - The term "residing" includes any resident or owner of property within the geographical limitations described above

Environmental Resource Studies

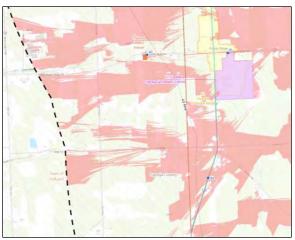




- Viewshed analysis.
- Viewpoint documentation.
- Visual outreach.
- Photosimulations.
- Visual contrast and rating panel assessment.

Wetlands and Streams

- Desktop-based wetland and stream approximations.
- Field-based wetland and stream delineations.
- Wetland and stream data integrated into project engineering and design.







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Environmental Resource Studies





Rare, Threatened, and Endangered (RTE) Avian Species

- Completed avian surveys:
 - Breeding Bird Surveys
 - Winter Raptor Surveys
- o Fall Raptor Migration Surveys
- Spring Raptor Migration Surveys
- Results used to: ID habitat, develop avoidance, minimization, and mitigation strategies, and ensure net conservation benefit.



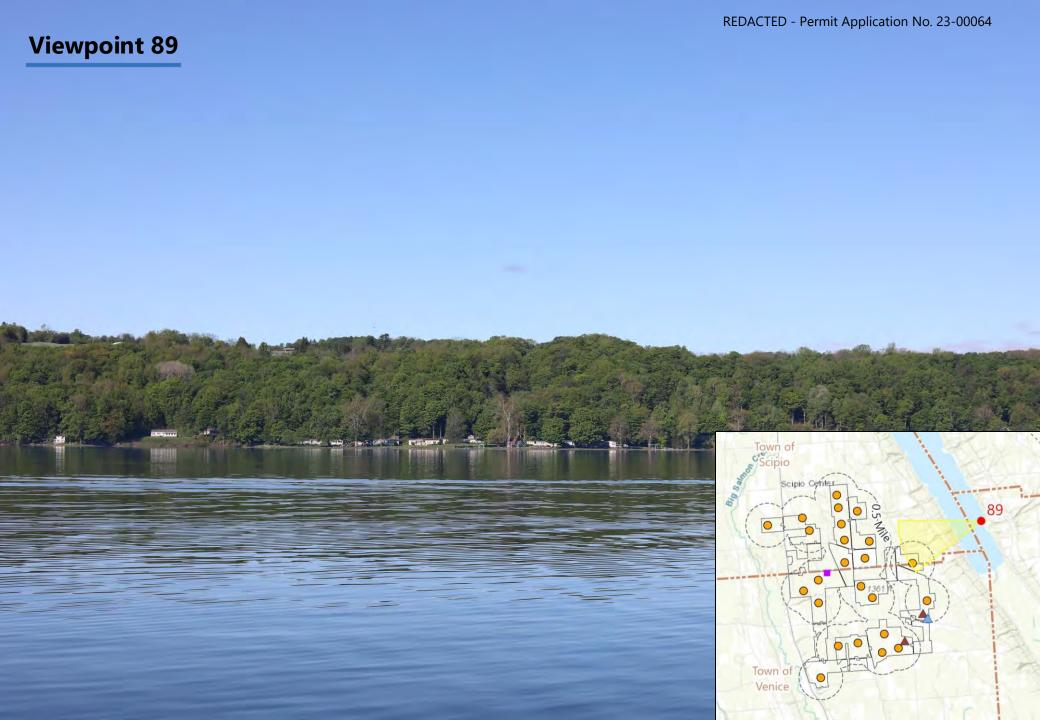
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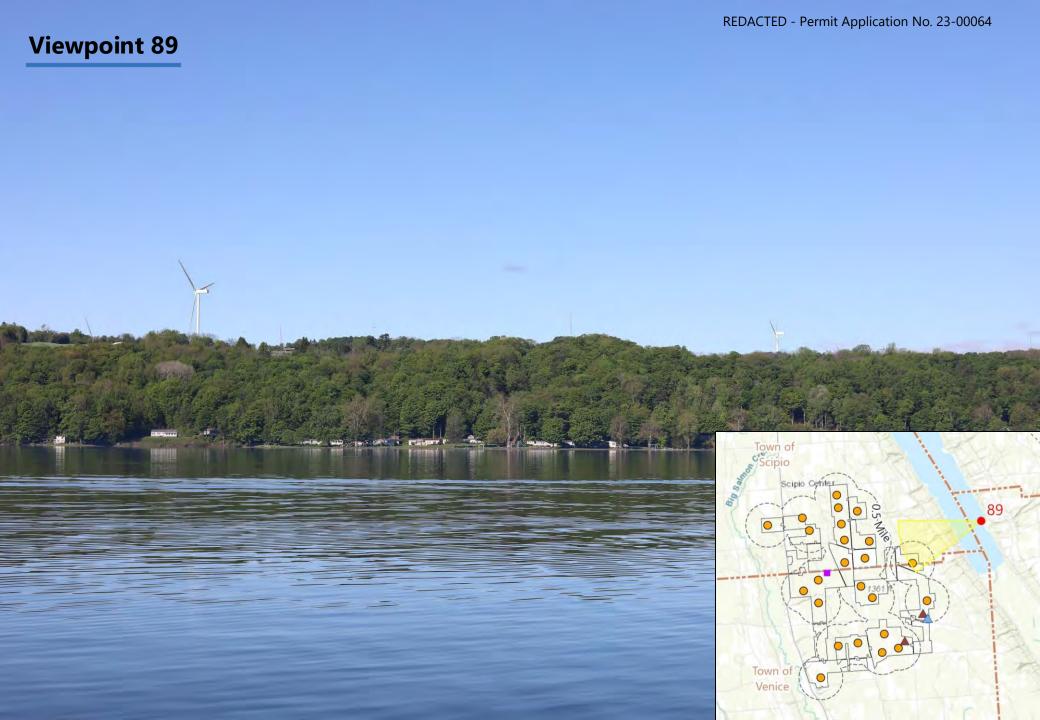
- Archaeological Resources
 - Desktop-based Phase IA
 - Field-based Phase 1B
 - Archaeological Site Avoidance Plan
- Historic Resources
 - o Desktop-based Phase 1A
 - Field-based Historic Resources
 Survey
 - Historic Resources MitigationPlan









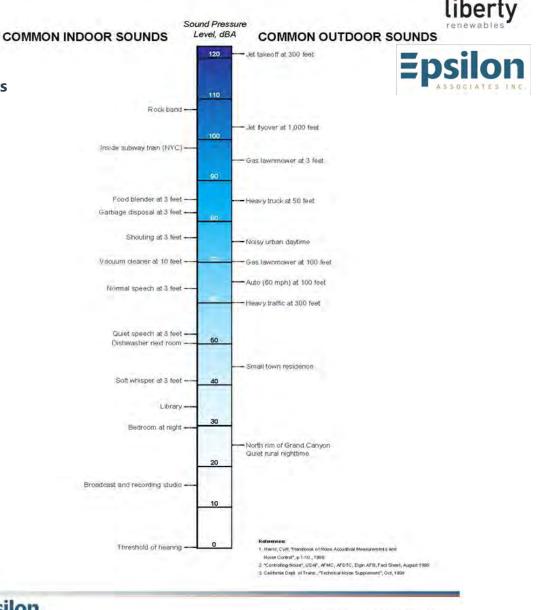


Sound Level Analysis

Sound Level Impact Assessment- Article VIII Sound Level Limits

- 45 dBA Leq (8-Hour) Non-Participating Residence (Total Project); 55 dBA Leq (8-Hour) - Participating Residence (Total Project)
- 40 dBA Leq (1-Hour) Non-Participating Residence (Substation Only)
- Prominent Tone Analysis at Non-Participating Residence. If a Prominent Tone is Evaluated, a 5 dBA Penalty is Applied.
- 65 dB (1-Hour) Low-Frequency Limits at 16 Hz, 31.5 Hz, & 63 Hz – Non-Participating Residence
- No Vibrations Non-Participating Residence
- 55 dBA Leq (8-Hour) Non-Participating Property Line

Tabular and Graphical Sound Level Results will be Presented (Down to 30 dBA sound level contours)





Common Indoor and Outdoor Sound Levels

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Shadow Flicker Analysis

Shadow Flicker Impact Assessment

Intermittent Change in the Intensity of Light at a Given Location Resulting from the Operation of a Wind Turbine Due to its Interaction with the Sun.

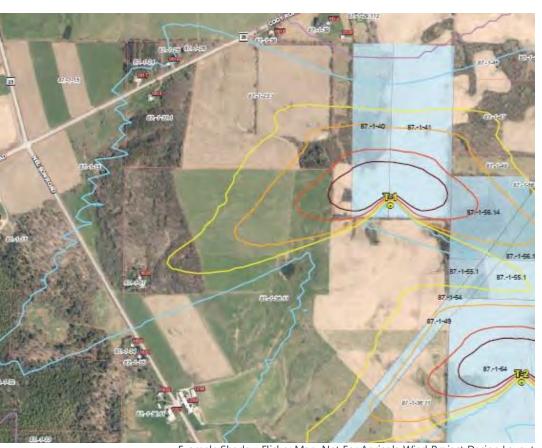
Multiple Factors Determine How Often a Wind Turbine Will Cast a Shadow:

- Turbine Height & Length of Blades
- Site Topography
- Distance Between Turbine and Residence
- Season and Time of Day
- Wind Direction and Wind Speed
- Cloud Cover

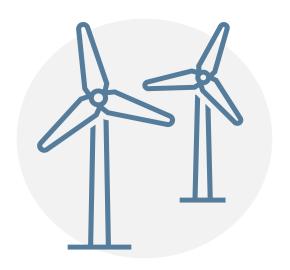
For Example, Shadow Flicker is Not Observed on Cloudy Days or When the Wind is Not Blowing.

 Article VIII Shadow Flicker Limit – 30 Hours per Year at Non-Participating Residence





Example Shadow Flicker Map. Not For Agricola Wind Project Design Layout.



Thank you for your time and attention!

Questions?

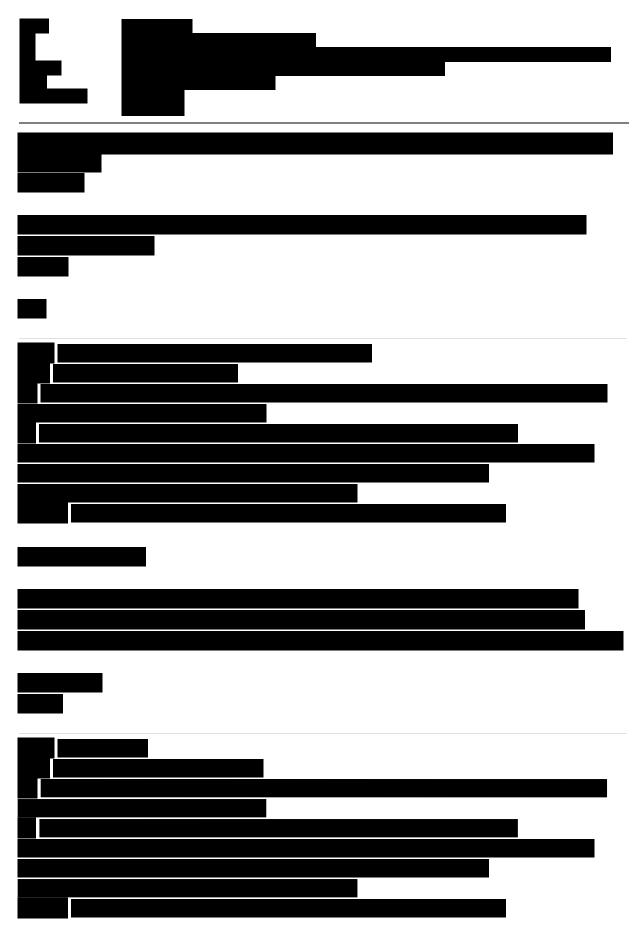
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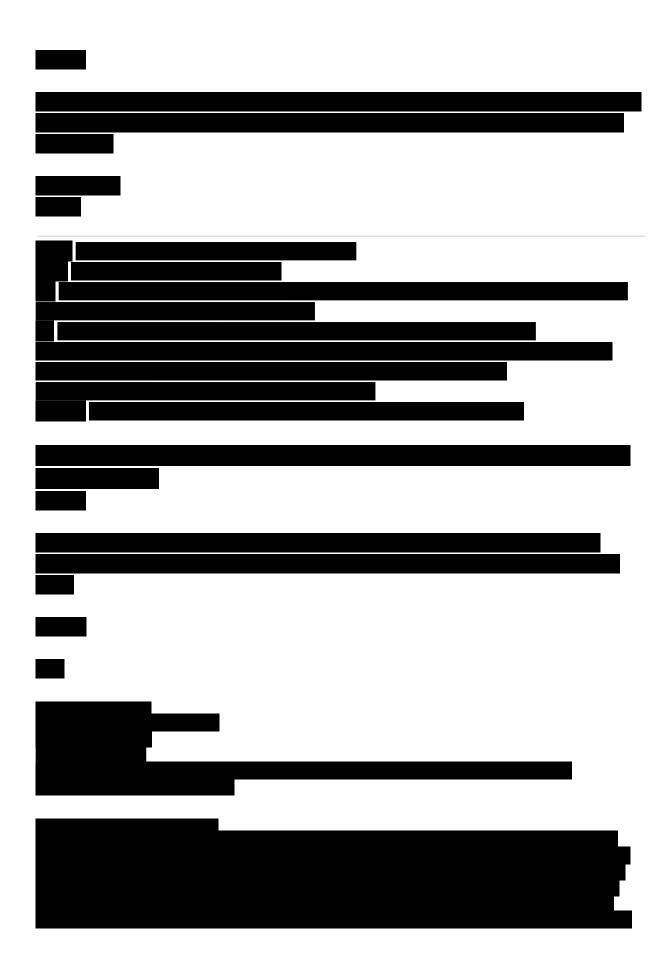


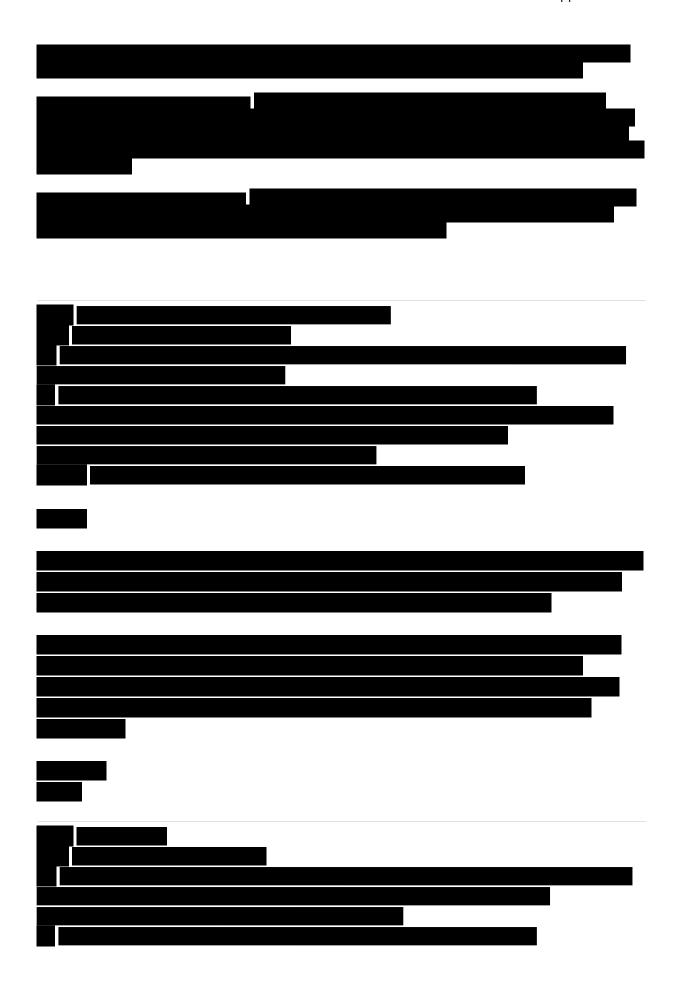
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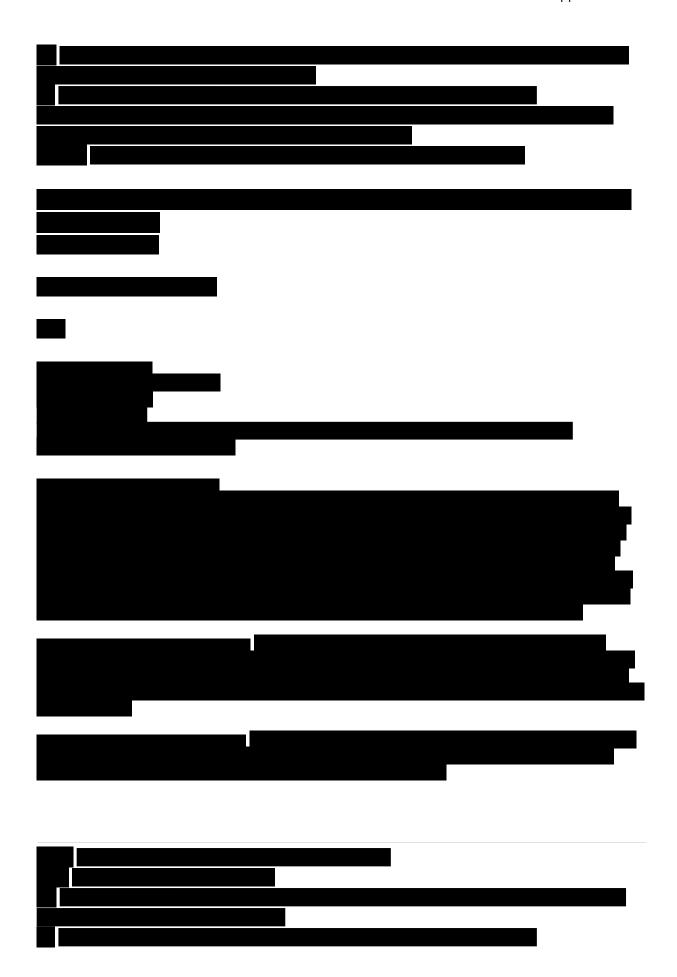
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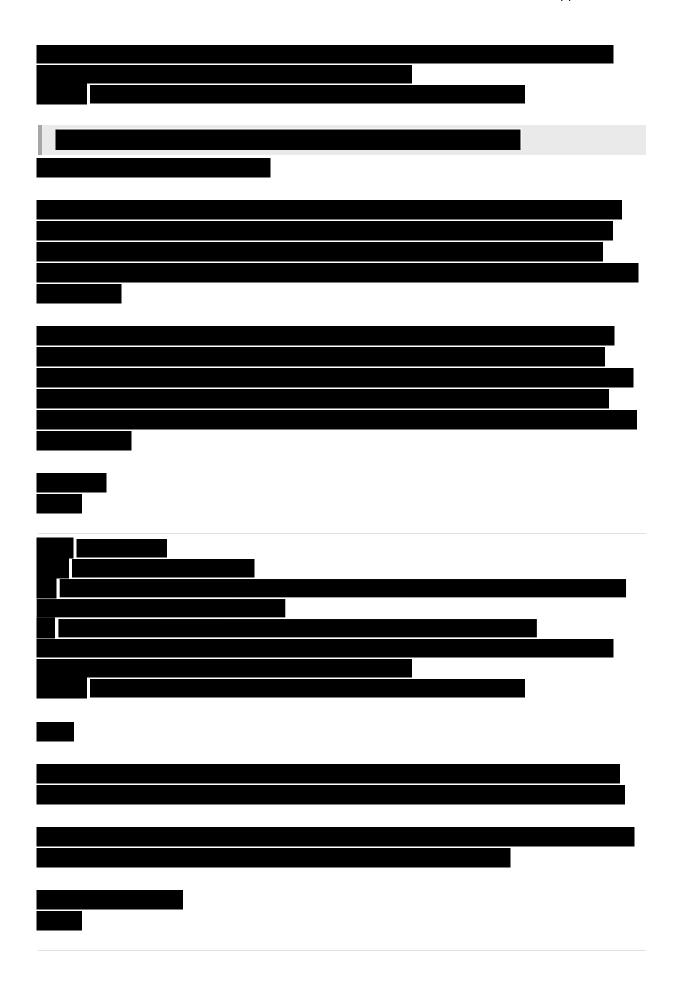
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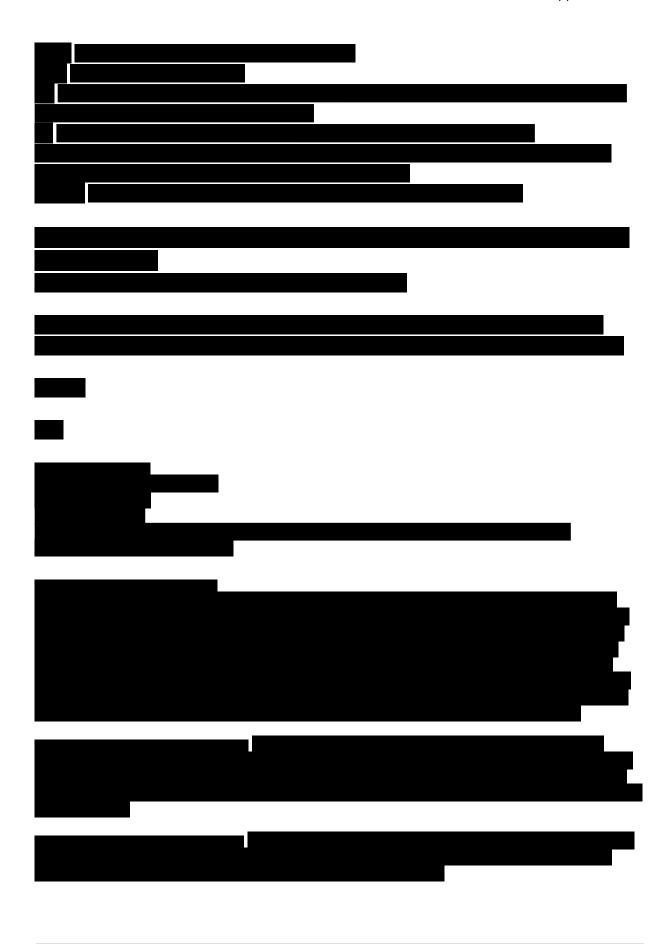


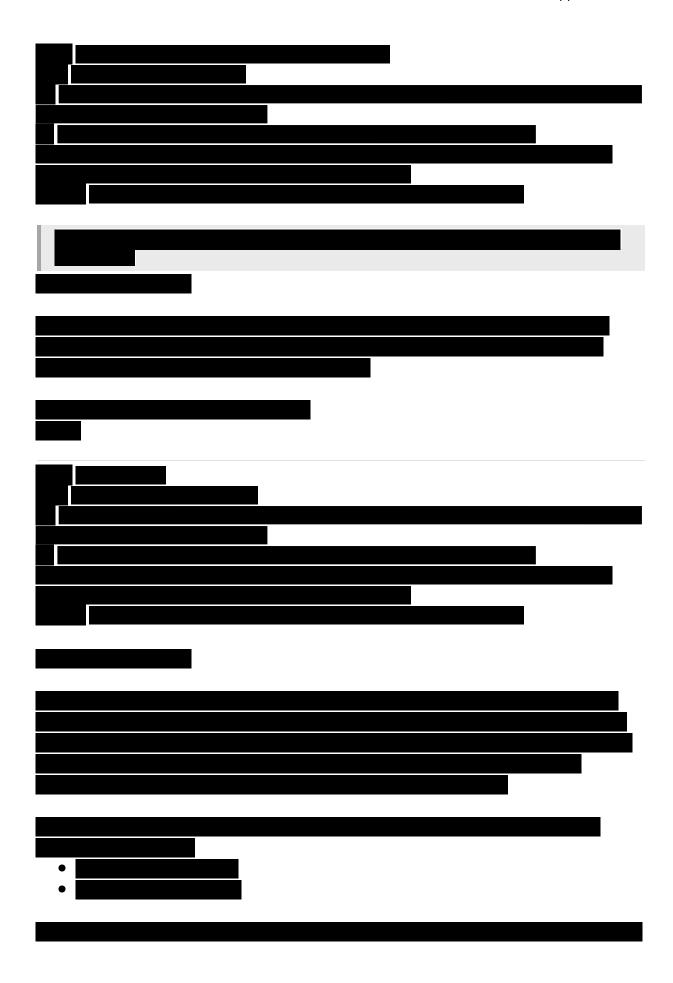


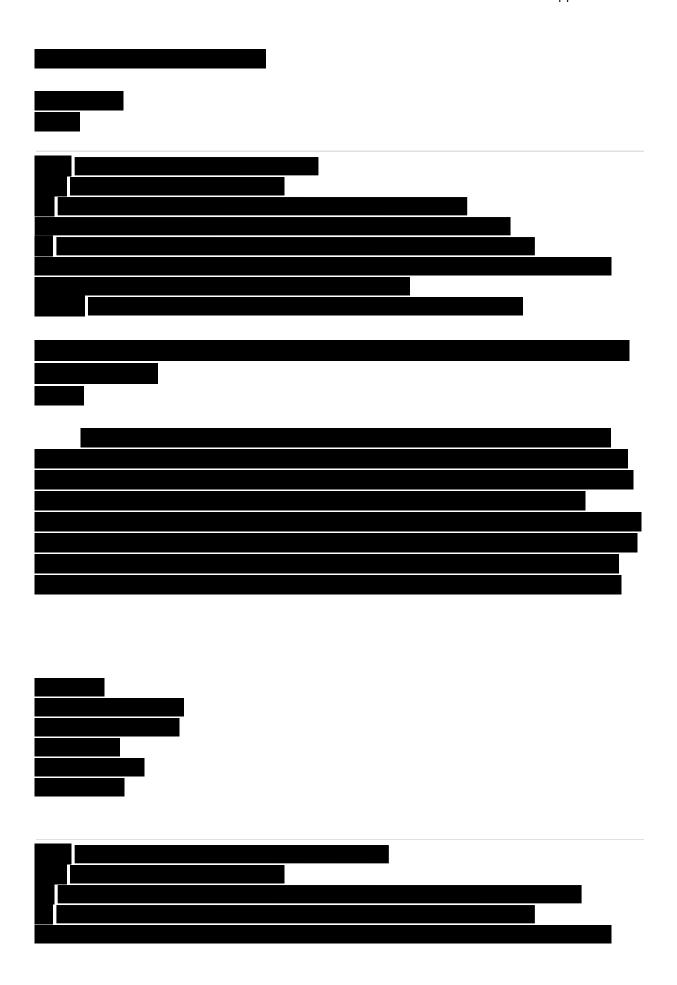


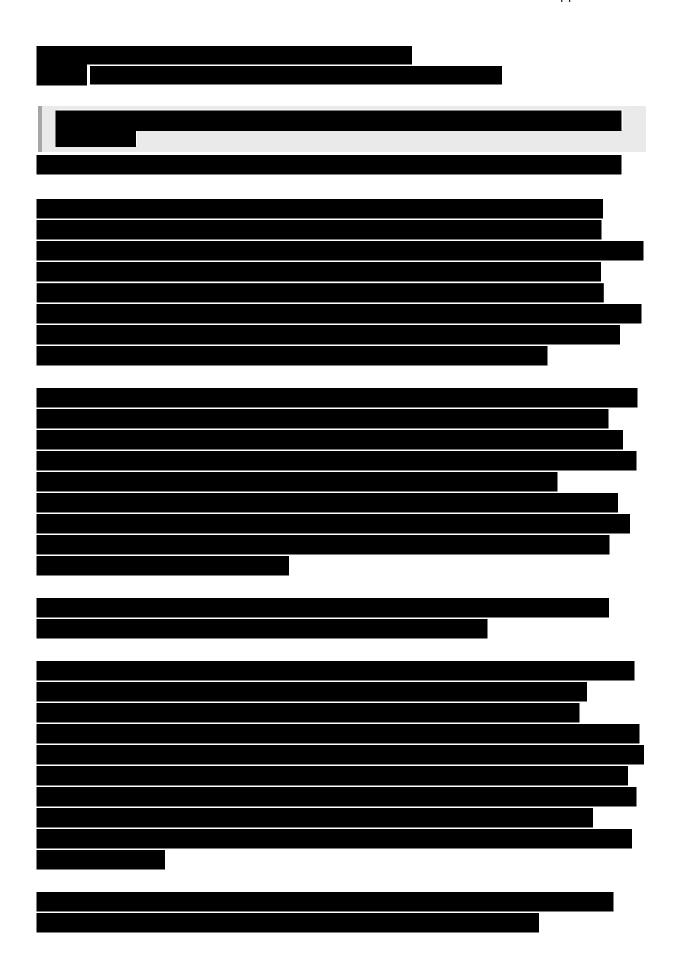


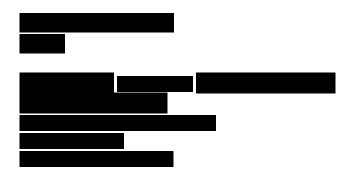
















Airport Consultation



July 18, 2024

Skaneateles Aero Drome 333 W. Washington Street, Suite 600 Syracuse, NY 13202

RE: Agricola Wind Project

To Whom It May Concern:

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As shown in the attached map, the Project is located southwest of the Skaneateles Aero Drome (Loc ID: 6B9) and will consist of up to 24 turbines, two permanent meteorological (MET) towers, and one aircraft detection lighting system (ADLS) tower (see the attached figure). The maximum turbine height currently being considered is 656 feet (200 meters). The nearest turbine is located approximately 8.7 nautical miles southwest of the Skaneateles Aero Drome's nearest runway.

The Applicant submitted a Notice of Proposed Construction or Alteration with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on May 10, 2024. The Applicant also filed a request to seek a determination approving the use of ADLS as a wind turbine lighting option on May 10, 2024. Additionally, the Applicant informed the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) of the Project on June 13, 2024. The FAA and NTIA have not yet issued determinations for these filings. The Applicant anticipates filing the Article VIII Application for this Project with the Office of Renewable Energy Siting in Q4 2024. Questions or comments that you may have regarding the Project may be directed to EDR, by phone at 518-451-9150, or by email at dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com. For further information and updates on the Project, please see the Project website: https://liberty-renewables.com/agricolawind/.

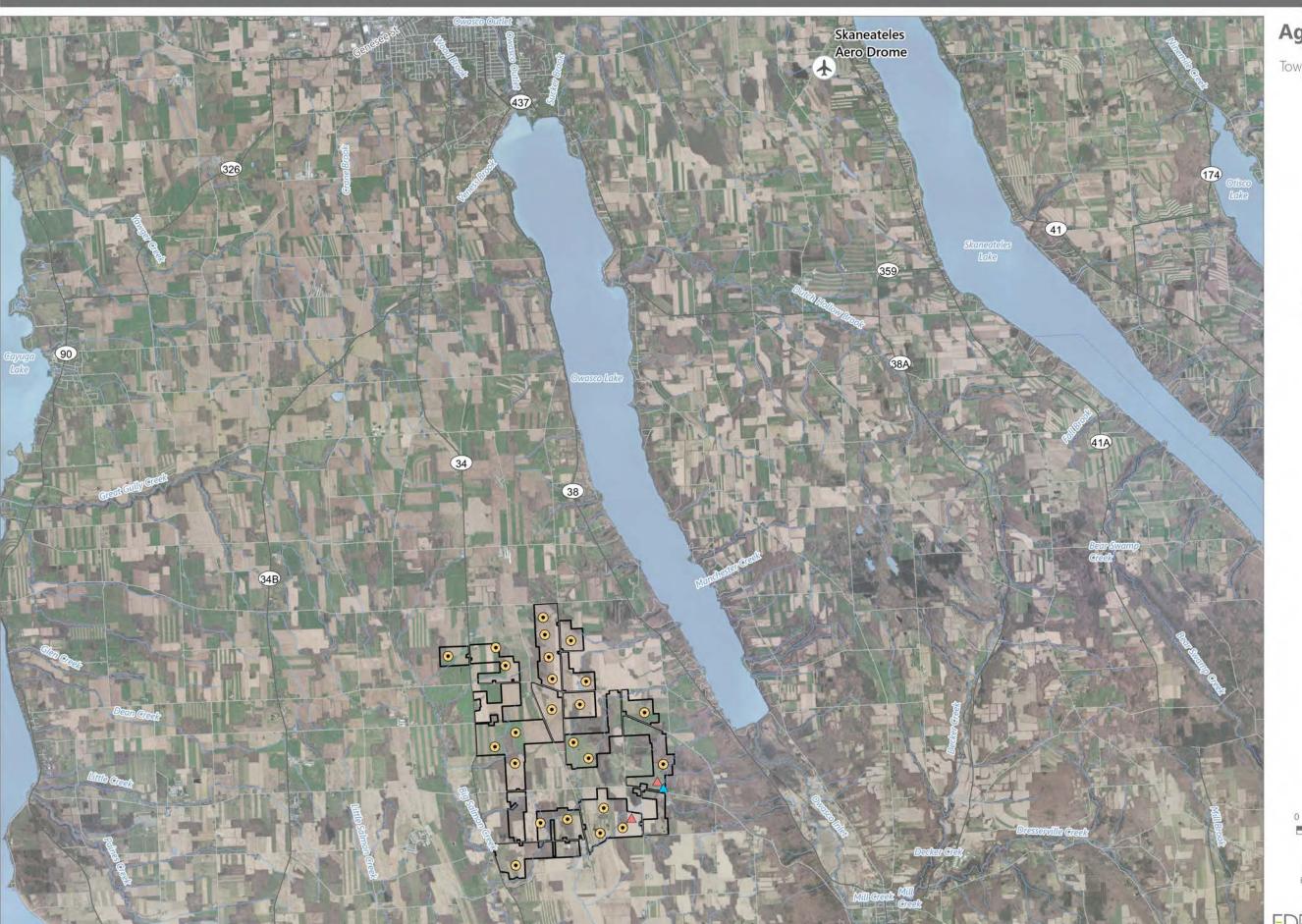
We appreciate your time and assistance with this effort.

Daniel Zvirzdin

cerely.

EDR, Senior Project Manager

Skaneateles Aero Drome Outreach Map



Agricola Wind Project

Towns of Scipio and Venice, Cayuga County, New York

◆ Skaneateles Aero Drome

Wind Turbine

▲ MET Tower

▲ ADLS Tower

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Facility Site



Prepared July 1, 2024

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July 18, 2024

Owasco Airfield 44 Cedar Lake Road Chester, CT 06412

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Tom Brelsford,

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As shown in the attached map, the Project is located west of the Owasco Airfield (Loc ID: 2N4) and will consist of up to 24 turbines, two permanent meteorological (MET) towers, and one aircraft detection lighting system (ADLS) tower (see the attached figure). The maximum turbine height currently being considered is 656 feet (200 meters). The proposed heights of the MET and ADLS towers are 394 feet (120 meters) and 145 feet (44 meters), respectively. The nearest turbine is located approximately 0.5 nautical miles northnorthwest of the Owasco Airfield's runway. The nearest MET tower and the ADLS tower are located 0.4 and 0.3 nautical miles northwest of the Owasco Airfield's 11/29 runway, respectively.

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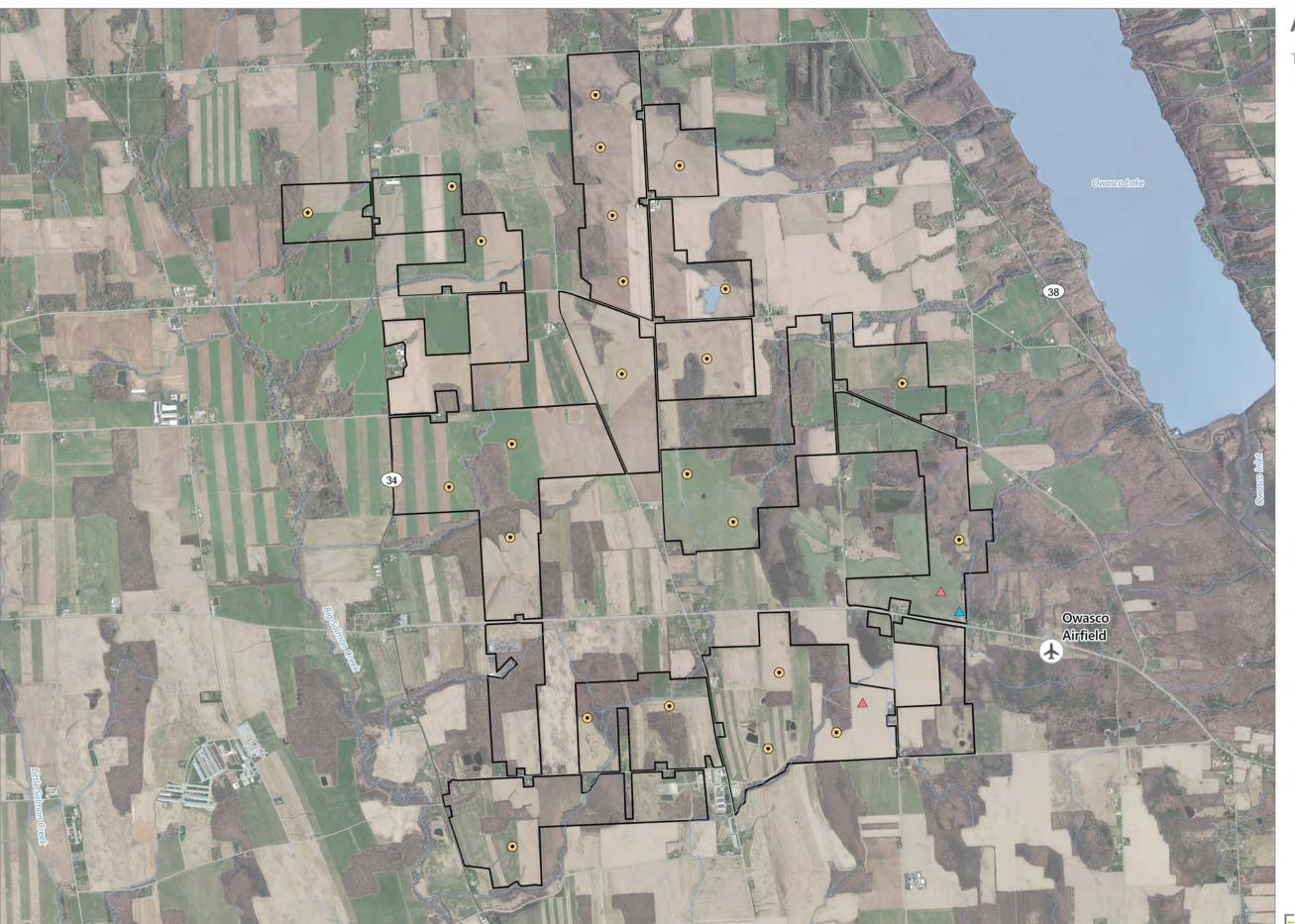
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EDR, Senior Project Manager

Owasco Airfield Outreach Map



Agricola Wind Project

Towns of Scipio and Venice, Cayuga County, New York

♣ Owasco Airfield

Wind Turbine

▲ ADLS Tower

▲ MET Tower

THE HOUSE

Facility Site

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Prepared July 1, 2024

Basemap: NYSDOP 2018 ortholmagery map service.

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CHANGES: Topography, chart format.

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From: Daniel Zvirzdin

Sent: Monday, August 5, 2024 11:51 AM **To:** 'Michael Lazar' <lazarmj@twcny.rr.com>

Cc: 'Daniel Arnold' <daniel.arnold@pioneercos.com>

Subject: RE: Agricola Wind Project

Hi Michael,

It was great speaking to you last week. Thanks for taking a minute to discuss the Skaneateles Aerodrome's approach specifications with me. Based on our discussion, and the materials you provided in your previous email, I understand that the minimum approach altitude for aircraft landing at the Skaneateles Aerodrome depends on the direction they are approaching the airfield. The Agricola Wind Project is located approximately 11 nautical miles south of "Tudle" in the attached Instrument Approach Chart. Based on our conversation, I understand that aircraft passing through the Agricola Wind Project that intend to land at the Skaneateles Aerodrome must start their approach at "Elibe." Any aircraft heading through the Agricola Wind Project and directly towards Elibe would have approach vectors between 310° to 325°. According the Instrument Approach chart, any aircraft with approach vectors between 287° and 017° need to maintain a minimum altitude of 3,800 feet; therefore, aircraft passing through the project site on their way to Elibe would need to maintain a minimum altitude of 3,800 feet.

Ground surface elevations within the project site range from approximately 1,100 feet to 1,400 feet, and the wind turbines proposed by Agricola Wind LLC have a maximum blade tip height of approximately 656 feet (200 meters). The elevations of the Agricola Wind Project's wind turbines would range from approximately 1,750 feet to 2,050 feet—well below the minimum altitude of aircraft approaching the Skaneateles Aerodrome. Based on our discussion, it doesn't not appear that there are any conflicts between the Skaneateles Aerodrome and the Agricola Wind Project, though this determination will ultimately be made by the FAA.

Again, thank you for your time, and don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Thanks,

Daniel Zvirzdin

EDR Senior Project Manager

From: Michael Lazar < lazarmj@twcny.rr.com>				
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2024 2:34 PM				
To: Daniel Zvirzdin@edrdpc.com>				
Cc: 'Daniel Arnold' < daniel.arnold@pioneercos.com>				
Subject: Agricola Wind Project				
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[EXTERNAL SENDER]				
Hi Daniel,				
Nice talking to you.				
Attached find the Instrument Approach Chart for Runway 10 at Skaneateles Aerodrome.				
When you have a few minutes, call me on my cellphone and I can explain any potential impacts for airplanes flying under instrument procedures.				
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Michael				
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Consultation with Communications	Providers



RE: [EXTERNAL] Fw: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

From Kelly, Lauren E < Lauren. Kelly@charter.com>

Date Fri 6/14/2024 11:58 AM

To Greg Redling < gredling@edrdpc.com>

Cc Daniel Zvirzdin <dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com>

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hi Greg,

I will check in on this and get back to you as soon as I can.

Thank you, Lauren

From: Greg Redling <gredling@edrdpc.com>

Sent: Friday, June 14, 2024 10:53 AM

To: Kelly, Lauren E <Lauren.Kelly@charter.com> **Cc:** Daniel Zvirzdin <dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Fw: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

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Hi Lauren.

Just following up on this request. Can you please send over data that also includes the overhead infrastructure within the area of interest?

Thank you, Greg Redling

From: Kelly, Lauren E < Lauren. Kelly@charter.com >

Sent: Monday, May 6, 2024 6:35 PM **To:** Greg Redling <gredling@edrdpc.com> **Cc:** Daniel Zvirzdin <dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Fw: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hi Greg,

Thank you for your message. I will make that request and will get back to you as soon as I can.

Best,

Lauren

From: Greg Redling <gredling@edrdpc.com>
Sent: Monday, May 6, 2024 1:30 PM

To: Kelly, Lauren E < <u>Lauren.Kelly@charter.com</u>> **Cc:** Daniel Zvirzdin < <u>dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com</u>>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Fw: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

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Hi Lauren,

Thanks so much for sending over these data. We really appreciate you providing a kmz which makes it much easier on our end to analyze the locations in GIS. We took an initial look and it appears the data does not include overhead infrastructure. My apologies for the additional request but would you also be able to provide us with a kmz of your overhead infrastructure within the Study Area as well?

Thanks so much for your help.

Greg Redling

EDR Senior Environmental Analyst

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From: Kelly, Lauren E < Lauren. Kelly@charter.com >

Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 10:22 AM

To: Greg Redling gredling@edrdpc.com

Cc: Daniel Zvirzdin dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Fw: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Greg,

Thank you for your patience! Attached you will find a KMZ file per your request.

Please note that this information is provided pursuant to the NDA and is considered confidential.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best, Lauren

From: Greg Redling <gredling@edrdpc.com>
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2024 1:43 PM

To: Kelly, Lauren E < <u>Lauren.Kelly@charter.com</u>> **Cc:** Daniel Zvirzdin < <u>dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com</u>>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

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Hi Lauren,

Following up on this request. As indicated below, we are requesting existing Charter underground cable, coaxial cable, and fiber optic major transmission telecommunication lines within the attached study area. This information will greatly help us determine the location of potential line crossings with proposed Facility components and the number of potential crossing agreements that may be needed.

If you could please respond with spatial data within the 1-mile study area attached, we would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you for your help.

Greg Redling

EDR Senior Environmental Analyst

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From: Greg Redling

Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2024 1:33 PM

To: Kim, Alice <<u>Alice.Kim@charter.com</u>>; Meyerhofer, Mark A <<u>Mark.Meyerhofer@charter.com</u>>

Cc: Daniel Zvirzdin < dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com>

Subject: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

Good Afternoon, Alice,

EDR is respectfully requesting location information pertaining to any existing underground cable, coaxial cable, and fiber optic major transmission telecommunication lines within 1 mile of the proposed Agricola Wind Project in support of the permit application under Section 94-c of the New York Executive Law. The NYS Broadband Availability Map indicated that Charter/Spectrum is a telecommunications provider in the vicinity of Agricola Wind.

In order to provide information required by the Section 94-c regulations, we are respectfully requesting location information pertaining to any existing underground cable, coaxial cable, and fiber optic major transmission

telecommunication lines within Agricola Wind's 1-mile Study Area (KMZ attached). Please provide location information as a GIS Shapefile or KMZ.

As you are aware, EDR has signed a Non-Disclosure Agreement with Charter/Spectrum (as of January 10, 2024), so this information will be filed under separate cover with the Section 94-c Application.

Thanks for your help!

Greg Redling

EDR Senior Environmental Analyst

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From Greg Redling < gredling@edrdpc.com>

Date Wed 3/6/2024 4:25 PM

To Zingula, Lisa A <Lisa.Zingula@windstream.com>; WCI Locate Desk <WCI.Locate.Desk@windstream.com>

Cc Daniel Zvirzdin <dzvirzdin@edrdpc.com>

Thank you very much for the quick turnaround and your help with this request, Lisa!

From: Zingula, Lisa A <Lisa.Zingula@windstream.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2024 2:02 PM

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Subject: RE: 21029 Agricola Wind Project - Data Request

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The requested design map showing the approximate location of Windstream facilities is attached. Be advised, maps do not indicate service drops and may be off slightly.

** Windstream Aerial line only in the scope of this work.

Thank you,

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Good Afternoon, Lisa,

EDR is respectfully requesting location information pertaining to any existing underground cable, coaxial cable, and fiber optic major transmission telecommunication lines within 1 mile of the proposed Agricola Wind Project in support of the permit application under Section 94-c of the New York Executive Law. The NYS Broadband Availability Map indicated that Windstream is a telecommunications provider in the vicinity of Agricola Wind.

In order to provide information required by the Section 94-c regulations, we are respectfully requesting location information pertaining to any existing underground cable, coaxial cable, and fiber optic major transmission

telecommunication lines within Agricola Wind's 1-mile Study Area (KMZ attached). Please provide location information as a GIS Shapefile or KMZ.

All information provided will be treated confidentially and filed under separate cover with the Section 94-c Application.

Thank you!

Greg Redling

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Proposed Land Use Consultation



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March 29, 2024

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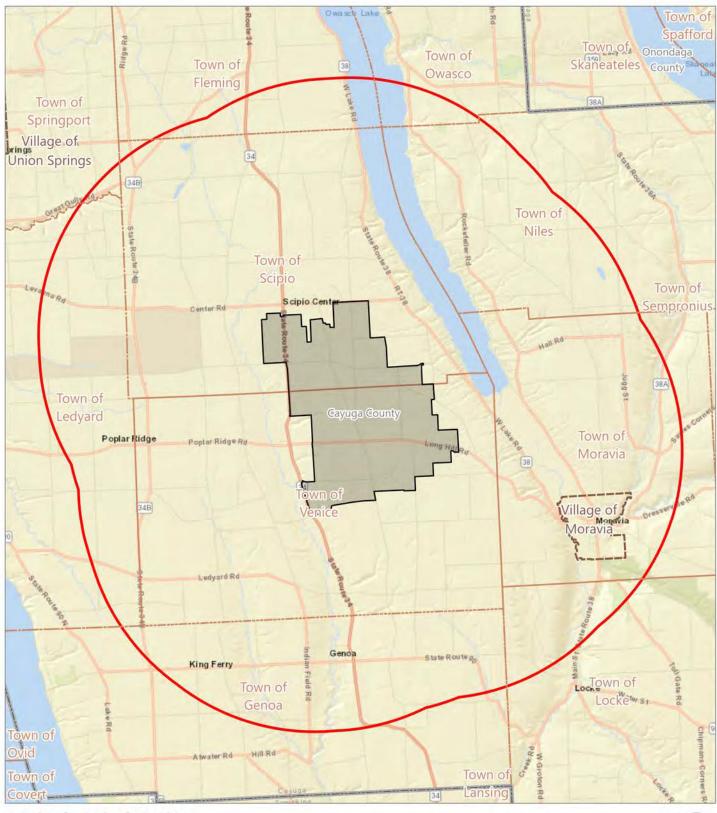
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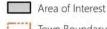
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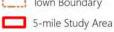


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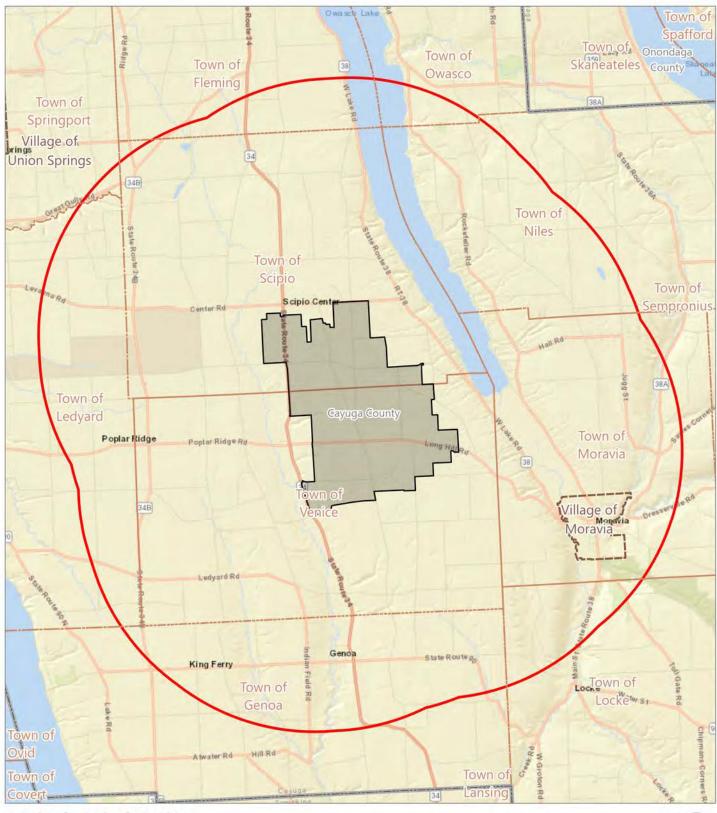
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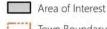
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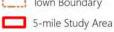


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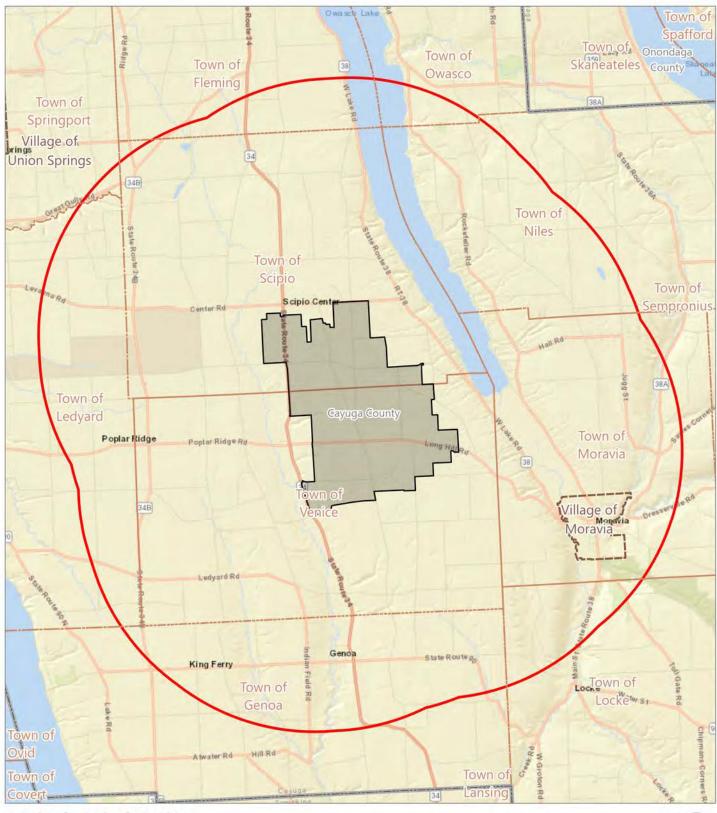
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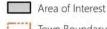
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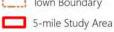


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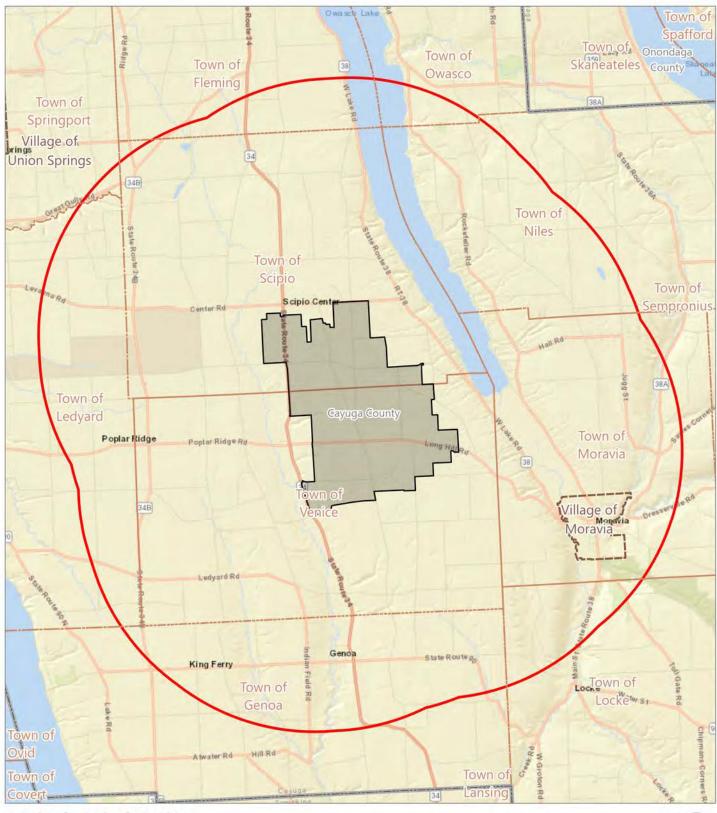
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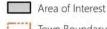
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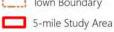


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May 9, 2024

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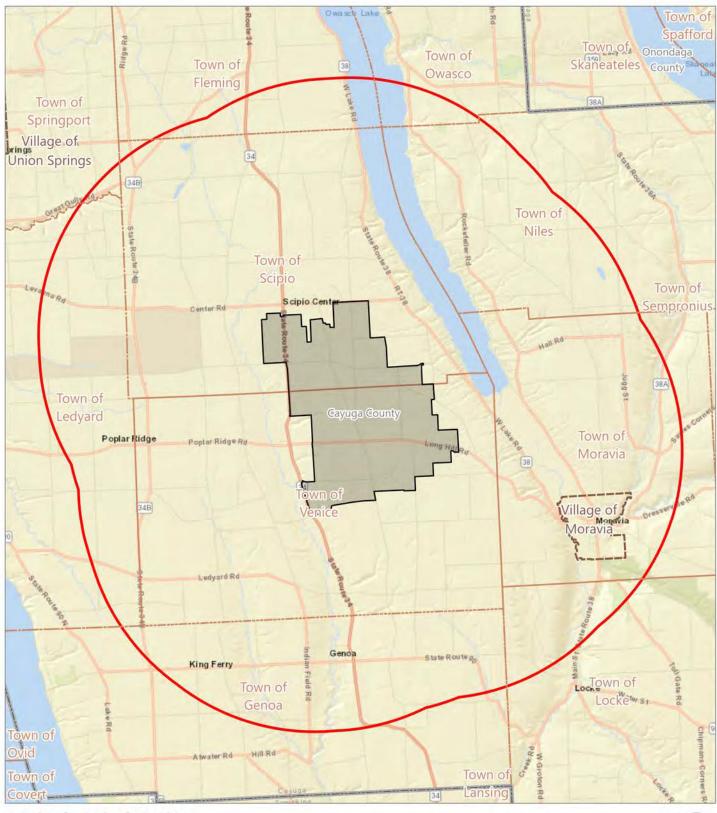
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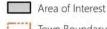
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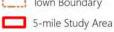


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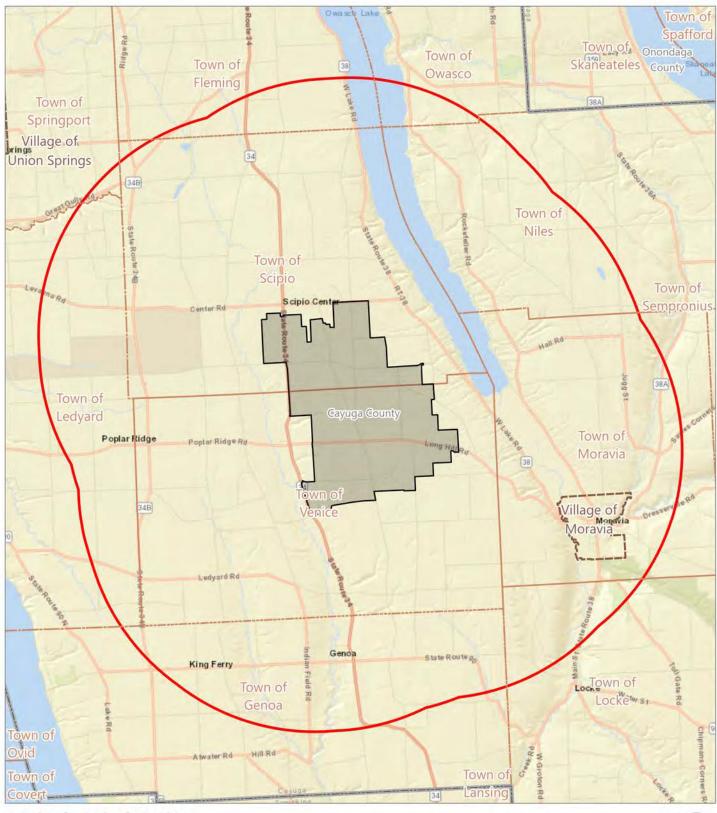
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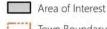
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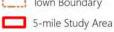


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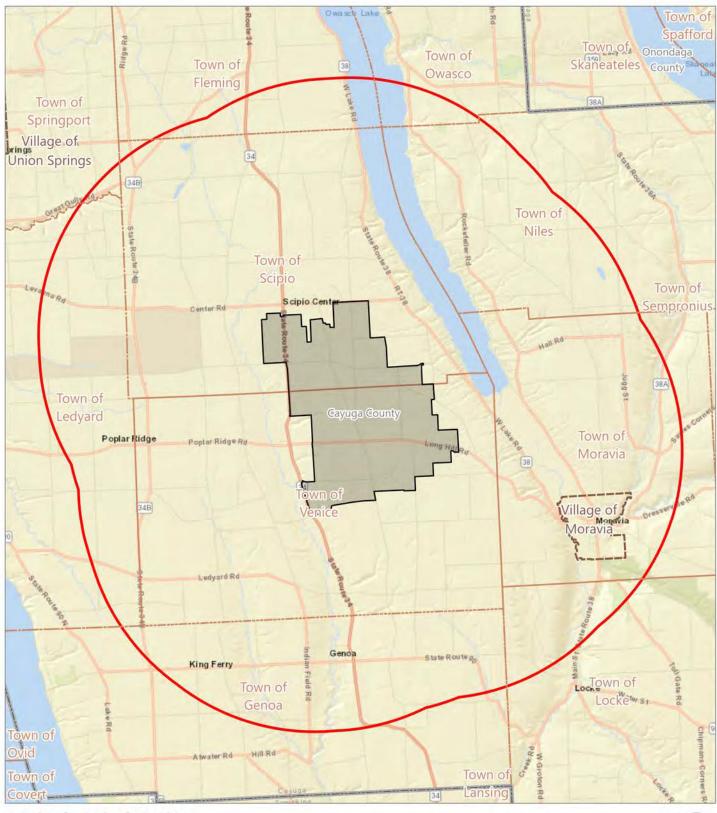
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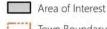
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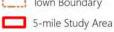


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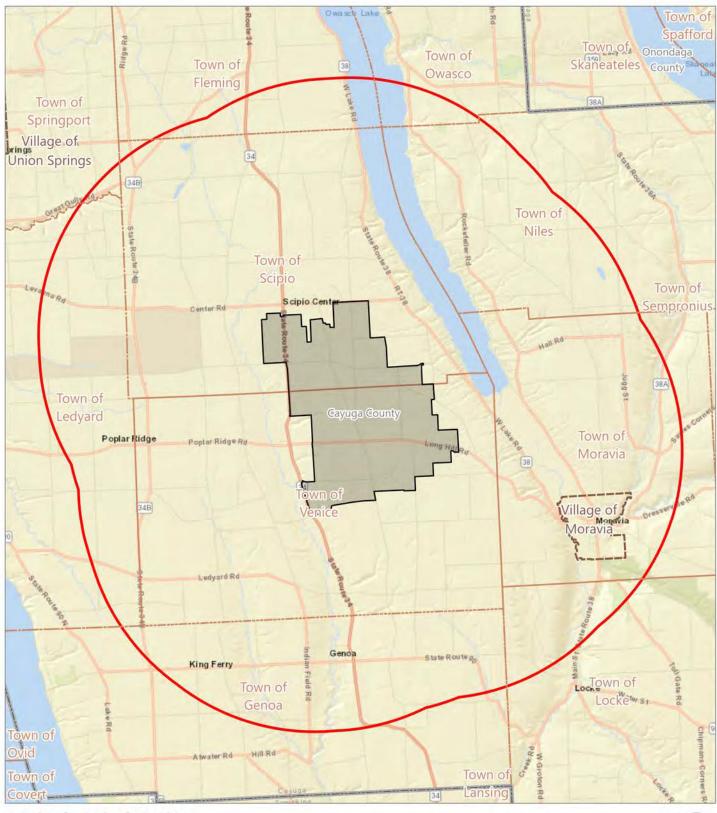
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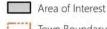
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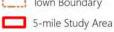


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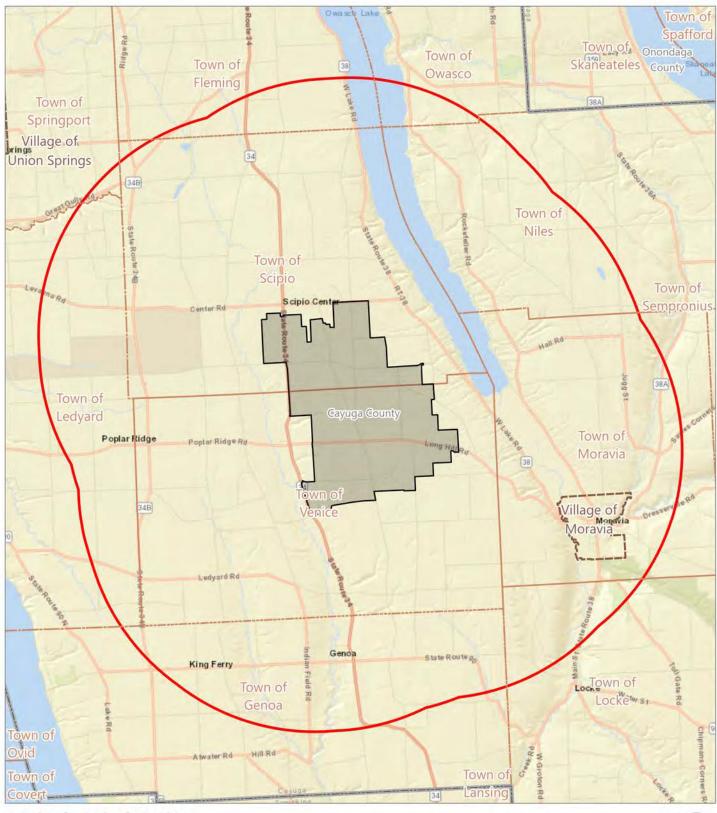
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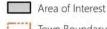
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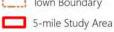


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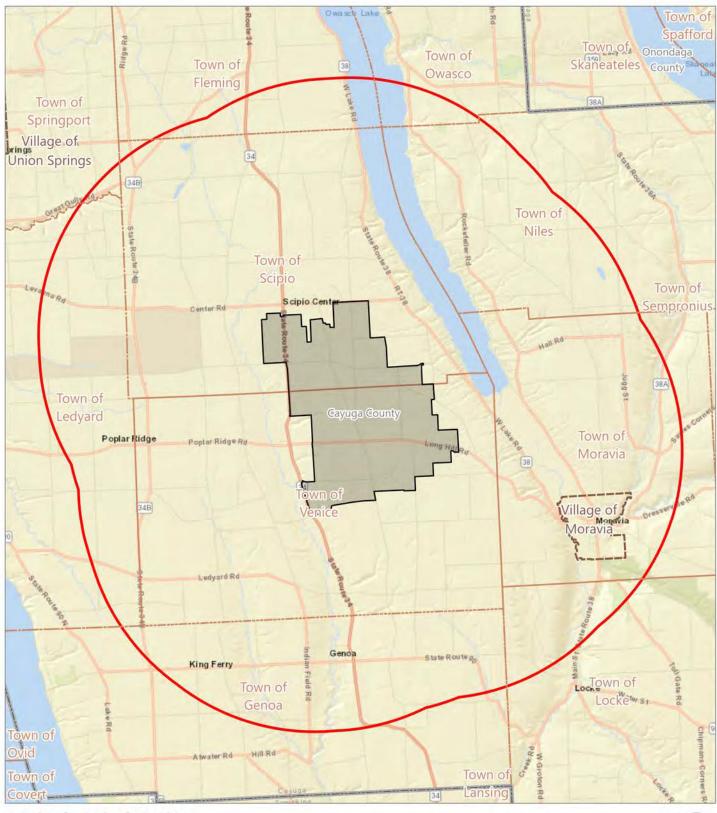
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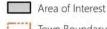
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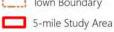


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Writer's Telephone: 272 jklami@youngsommer.com

March 29, 2024

Via First Class and Electronic Mail

Village of Moravia Offices 22 Central Street Moravia, NY 13118

Email: mayor@villageofmoravia.gov

Re: Agricola Wind Consultations on Proposed Land Use Development

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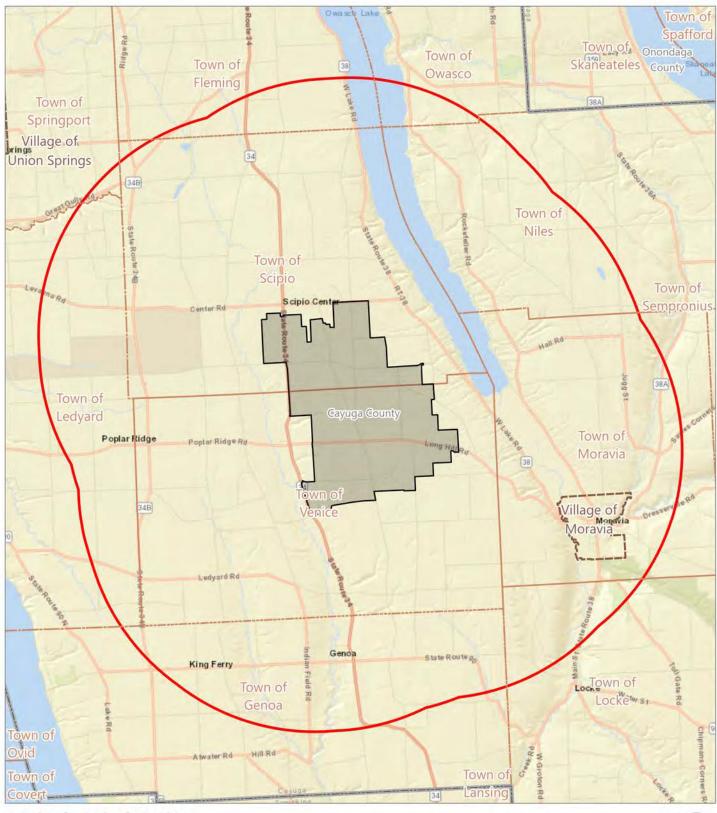
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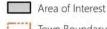
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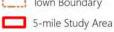


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Fw: Town of Ledyard Proposed Land Use Consultation

From Debbie Ross <dar7@cornell.edu>

Date Wed 5/22/2024 5:06 PM

Greg Redling < gredling@edrdpc.com>

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- Dog Corners Solar LLC 2663 Dog Corners Rd Aurora, NY 13026 tax # 182.00-1-48.12
- Renewable Energy Aurora Ridge LLC Dixon Rd Aurora, NY 13026 tax # 194.00-1-4.122 and/or Aurora Ridge LLC 2590 Angling Rd Aurora, NY 13026 tax # 194.00-1-1.2

Please contact me if you have any questions or need further information.

Best. Debbie

Debbie Ross Chair Planning Board Town of Ledyard 1099 Poplar Rd Aurora, NY 13026

607-227-5516 dar7@cornell.edu From: Code Enforcement Officer < Ledyard CEO@outlook.com>

Sent: Saturday, May 11, 2024 11:22 AM **To:** Debbie Ross <dar7@cornell.edu>

Subject: Fw: Town of Ledyard Proposed Land Use Consultation

From: Greg Redling <gredling@edrdpc.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2024 3:01 PM

To: TownofLedyard@outlook.com <TownofLedyard@outlook.com>; Ledyardceo@outlook.com

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Fw: Town of Locke Proposed Land Use Consultation

From lockeny townsuper <lockenytownsuper@yahoo.com>

To Greg Redling <greyerdling@edrdpc.com>

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Mr. Redling,

Received you phone call this AM. This is my e-mail.

Our code enforcement officer is Patric Doyle, his is- jpdoyleiii@hotmail.com

Thane Benson Supervisor, Town of Locke

----- Forwarded Message ----From: Melanie Funk <lockeclerk@yahoo.com>
To: Lockeny Townsuper <lockenytownsuper@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2024 at 01:19:23 PM EDT
Subject: Fw: Town of Locke Proposed Land Use Consultation

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

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Town of Scipio 3705 State Route 34 Scipio Center, NY 13147

June 18, 2024

Dear Jessica Ansert Klami,

As Town Clerk for the Town of Scipio, I am responding to your recent correspondence of June 13, 2024 regarding the Agricola Wind Project with Liberty Renewables, Inc., and any proposed land use development projects within five-mile radii of your project to be included in your assessment of nearby land use.

Just this afternoon I was made aware of a minor lot subdivision application at 3337 State Route 34, Scipio Center, NY 13147 by the Town's Code Enforcement Officer. The Town of Scipio Planning Board will be reviewing this application at their meeting on June 26, 2024. Other than this recent application I am not aware of any land use development projects purposed within the area of your review. I have made inquiries with the Town's Supervisor, Code Enforcement Officer, and Attorney on this matter.

Regards,

Ann M. Robson Ann M. Robson Town of Scipio Clerk



RE: Town of Springport Proposed Land Use Consultation

From David Schenck <supervisor@springportny.gov>

Date Thu 5/9/2024 6:18 PM

To Greg Redling < gredling@edrdpc.com>

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Nothing from /springport Dave Schenck

From: Greg Redling <gredling@edrdpc.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2024 3:33 PM

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Agricola Wind Project c/o Liberty Renewables Inc. 90 State Street Albany, NY 12207

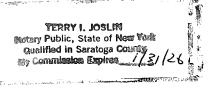
Project Representatives:
Scott Biggar, Director of Development (902) 209-0452
sbiggar@liberty-renewables.com

Meg Lee, Permitting Manager (860) 575 0680 mlee@liberty-renewables.com

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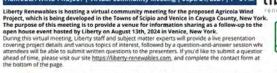
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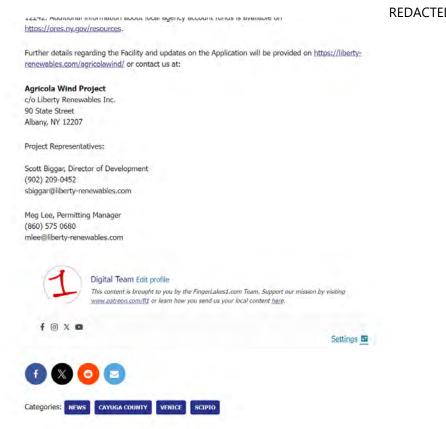
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During this virtual meeting, Liberty staff and subject matter experts will provide a live presentation covering project details and various topics of interest, followed by a question-and-answer session whi attendees will be able to submit written questions to the presenters. If you'd like to submit a question ahead of time, please visit our site https://liberty-renewables.com, and complete the contact form at



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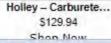
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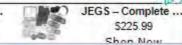












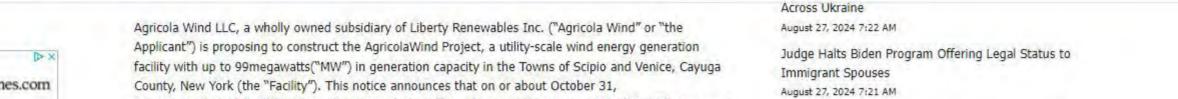














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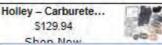












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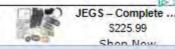












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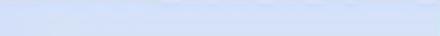
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DOWNTOWN AUBURN

Fall packed with fairs, festivals and more events

shortage of fun activities happening downtown and around. First up, always the Friday before Labor Day is the infamous State Street Run pub crawl. Starting at 5 p.m., stops in order include Parker's 129, Shep's Brewing Co., A.T. Walley & Co., Roast & Toast, Moondog's Lounge, Prison City Pub & Brewery, The Refinery Modern Fare, Curley's Restaurant, Har-



JESSE KLINE

ley's Pub, Ancient Order of Hibernians, the S.K. Post, Britches' Dance Bar, Wet Willy's, Belvedere Lounge and Swifty's Tavern. Classic highlights include group photo ops and leapfrogging

down Van Anden Street. Our final Music on the Mall for the season is happening on State Street from

7 to 10 p.m. First Friday, Sept. 6. The Steven Cali Band performs modern/outlaw country at its finest. Steven is a 26-yearold Nashville recording artist who puts on a show not to be missed.

The 39th annual CNY TomatoFest is from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, on Genesee Street between Dill/William streets and South Street. As background. TomatoFest started at Emerson Park in 1985, it then moved downtown eight years ago to partner with the Auburn Downtown Business Improvement District and its district businesses. The funds raised support 10 Cayuga County food pantries in Fair Haven, Cato, Port Byron, Cayuga, King Ferry, Moravia and Weedsport, plus the Salvation Army, St. Alphonsus and Calvary food pantries.

New at TomatoFest this year are local celebrity "arrests" with jail confinement in the Duck Derby ticket booth in the New York State Equal Rights Heritage Center courtyard. Bail-out is met with 100 non-perishable food donations. Stop by and drop off your contributions to help set me free from 11 a.m. to noon. There will also be history vendors in the courtyard, and a bounce house set up in the west lawn space. In another addition, to enhance the goal, Cayuga, Union Springs and Aurora will compete to see which village can collect the most canned goods. As in past years, there's a drive-thru food donation



KELLY ROCHELEAU, THE CITIZEN

People watch Perform 4 Purpose during CNY TomatoFest in Auburn in September.

station in the city parking garage. The lower level of the garage will also serve as the rain location for the arts and craft

"MusicFest" is held on three stages, and inside Auburn Public Theater if it rains. Headliner Trump Tight is performing from 6 to 7:15 p.m. on the Genesee Street showmobile stage. Other main stage music includes Perform 4 Purpose from 11 a.m. to noon, The Healers from 1 to 2 p.m. and Weekend at Bernie's from 3 to 4 p.m. On the State Street Plaza stage see Perform 4 Purpose from 11 a.m. to noon, the Luis Molina Band from noon to 1 p.m., Major Keys from 2 to 3 p.m. and Basket Case from 5 to 6 p.m. The Exchange Street stage features Julie Howard at 11 a.m., Genesee Street Voices at 12:30 p.m., Joey Dugan at 1:45 p.m., Luke Mock at 3 p.m. and Bob Lyna and Friends at 4:30 p.m.

Family-geared entertainment includes an Absolute Dance performance from noon to 12:45 p.m., the Auburn Vanguard from 12:45 to 1 p.m., Pete's Balloons from 1 to 4 p.m., juggling by Nate the Great at 2 and 4 p.m. and the Unity Street Band from 2:45 to 3 p.m. All day, there's an interactive display by Maxman Reptile Rescue. There's also candle dipping, slime, tomato mask and watershed making, and the popular veggie art contest. Wegmans will offer

free cupcakes at noon, and the Tomato Parade is 12:45 to 1 p.m. A.T. Walley is providing outdoor food and beverage vending, plus Barlow's, Between Your Buns, Leo's Donuts and Pete's Treats. There's a silent auction featuring theater tickets, Mackenzie-Childs pottery and a 50/50 raffle as

Free off-site event offerings include an Equal Rights Heritage History Tour led on a 16-seat limo bus from noon to 5 p.m. Hop aboard and learn about the fascinating lives of William Seward, Harriet Tubman, Emily Howland, and Eliza Wright with the Living History Players. Next, learn about the Owasco watershed on a pontoon boat ride with members of OWLA. Weather permitting, there will be two SCAT Van shuttles to and from Emerson Park. All transportation is leaving from Lincoln Street, behind the Genesee

TomatoFest programming is made possible with funds administered by Auburn Public Theater's regrant program, with the support of the office of the governor and New York State Legislature. Music is also sponsored by the Cayuga County Office of Tourism's Inclusive Excellence Programming Grant. FLX Radio Classic Hits 99.3 and APE Scare & Care are the media sponsors.

Next year, TomatoFest will celebrate its 40th anniversary, which is a significant accomplishment, with all volunteers and no paid staff. We thank Gilda Brower and the TomatoFest board for their year-round work and coordination to help our local families in need.

Other fun downtown community events to attend include A.T. Walley's Italian Heritage Festival from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, in the State Street Plaza. In addition to delicious Italian food, highlights include a performance by the Diana Jacobs Band at 1 p.m. Balloons Restaurant's ginormous meatball eating contest is at 2:30 p.m. See the "Uncle Louie Variety Show" at 4:30 p.m., and 8-Traxx performs at 6 p.m.

As a side note, Walley just christened its double-decker back patio, and it is something to behold. It adds a fun party space adjacent to the plaza, and was built by Ferro Property Services, who did a wonderful job. Big thanks to Bernie Simmons, Nick Musso and staff for their investment and commitment to making downtown a destination.

To keep the ball rolling, Art in the Park is also happening from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 14 in the city's beautiful Hoopes Park. This high-end artist, artisan and maker show and festival features over 100 vendors selling unique, hand-crafted items. This is the perfect opportunity to get a jump start on holiday shopping with one-of-a-kind gifts. There are food trucks parked curbside for lunch options and ongoing musical entertainment. This event is extremely well-organized by Sue Waby, owner of Regenerations, the lovely consignment boutique downtown. We thank Sue for the time and effort that she spends to showcase and support our local creatives.

So, kindly come out and enjoy all the fun fall events our downtown and city have to

Jesse Kline is assistant director of the Auburn Downtown Business Improvement District and a contributing member of the Finger Lakes Art Council, Auburn's Historic & Cultural Sites Commission and the Auburn Beautification Commission. For more information, visit auburndowntown.org.

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Agricola Wind LLC - Agricola Wind Project Cayuga County, New York

60-DAY NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION

Agricola Wind LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Liberty Renewables Inc. ("Agricola Wind" or "the Applicant") is proposing to construct the Agricola Wind Project, a utility-scale wind energy generation facility with up to 99 megawatts ("MW") in generation capacity in the Towns of Scipio and Venice, Cayuga County, New York (the "Facility"). This notice announces that on or about October 31, 2024, Agricola Wind will file an Application with the Office of Renewable Energy Siting ("ORES"), pursuant to Article VIII of the New York State Public Service Law ("the Article VIII Process"), seeking a Siting Permit from ORES authorizing the construction and operation of the Facility. The Article VIII Process has been implemented by rules enacted by ORES and establishes a review process with uniform standards and conditions for all renewable energy projects. The uniform standards and conditions are available at 16 NYCRR Section 1100.6 and www.ores.ny.gov/regulations.

The Facility is proposed to include up to 24 wind turbines, as well as an associated medium voltage collection system, two permanent meteorological (MET) towers, an aircraft detection lighting system (ADLS), temporary construction laydown areas, a concrete batch plant, a medium voltage-to-transmission voltage collection substation, a point of interconnection (POI) switchyard, a short 115-kilovolt (kV) transmission line that will connect the Facility to the high voltage electrical grid, gravel access roads, and an operations and maintenance (O&M) building. The Facility will interconnect to the New York power grid via a POI switching station that will connect to the existing Milliken-Wright Ave 115-kV transmission line, owned and operated by New York State Electric and Gas (NYSEG). More information on the proposed Facility can be found on the project's dedicated website (https://liberty-renewables.com/agricolawind/).

The Facility is a zero-emission wind energy facility that will assist the State in meeting the goals of the Climate Leadership and Protection Act and State Energy Plan, which includes obtaining 70% of energy generation from renewable sources by 2030, as well as significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Other positive impacts of the Facility include the creation of full-time equivalent construction jobs; local spending on accommodations, dining, and other local services during the construction and installation period; payments to landowners; increased revenues to the Towns, County and School Districts; and bill credits paid directly to residential electric customers in the host municipality; and the generation of enough electricity to power more than 17,777 homes annually, helping New York State to become energy independent. In addition, Agricola Wind has attempted to minimize impacts associated with the Facility, for example, by limiting the disturbance to forested lands, wetlands and streams, and threatened and endangered species to the maximum extent practicable. Agricola Wind will submit an Application for a Siting Permit that includes extensive studies evaluating the potential impacts associated with the Facility and identified methods which have been agreed to be implemented to avoid, minimize, and mitigate potential impacts. No sooner than three days before the Application is filed, an additional notice will be published announcing the anticipated filing of the Application. This notice is being provided in accordance with 16 NYCRR 1100-1.3(d) and is being published at least sixty (60) days prior to the filing of the Application.

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Football player Nico Giacolone (2), of Weedsport.

KEVIN RIVOLI. THE CITIZEN

Athletes

Eight of them were scored by Jeffers, who also tallied a pair of assists.

Field hockey: Ella Jorgensen, Port Byron/ **Union Springs**

Jorgenson finished her junior season last year second in goals on the Panthers, who posted a 13-3-1 record. With two of their top three point leaders graduating, the senior is in line for another productive season. She racked up 16 goals and two assists last season, with three of those goals coming in a 10-0 win against Cato-Meridian Football: Nixon Karcz, on the road.

Football: Christian London, Auburn

After leading the Maroons in tackles (66) as a freshman, London repeated that effort his sophomore year last season. London recorded a team-high 46 tackles has finished eight games with at Eagles' secondary.

least nine tackles.

Football: Nico Giacolone, Weedsport

The Wolverines enter the 2024 season with just two seniors on their roster, Giacolone being one of them. During his junior season with Weedsport, he rushed 55 times for 391 yards and two touchdowns. Giacolone earned over a quarter of those rushing yards when he ran for 107 yards and one touchdown in the Wolverines' 36-8 win against Edison. Defensively, Giacolone contributed 47 tackles, five of them for a loss, and two sacks over last season.

Jordan-Elbridge

The Eagles scored 31 touchdowns last season, and Karcz played a part in the majority of them. As Jordan-Elbridge's signal caller, Karcz threw for 930 yards and 11 touchdowns. On the ground, he rushed 146 times for 1,116 yards and another 11 as Auburn finished the season touchdowns. Karcz also added years with the Maroons, London interceptions while playing in the

Football: **Brady Ellis, Skaneateles**

During Ellis' junior season with the Lakers, he was a Swiss Army knife in almost every way. Offensively, he totaled 89 yards and two touchdowns on 15 carries, and paired that with 14 catches for a team-high 293 yards and four touchdowns through the air. On the defensive side of the ball, Ellis led Skaneateles with 104 tackles, and added two sacks.

Boys golf: **Drew Mancini, Skaneateles**

The Lakers finished the 2023 regular season 14-0 and took second at the Section III small school championship. Mancini, as a freshman, played a pivotal part in that success. He took first place in seven of his team's matchups, and tallied an individual score of 78 at the championship to tie for fourth place.

Girls tennis: Eva DeJesus, Skaneateles

DeJesus punched her ticket to with a record of 4-5. Over his two 27 tackles and a team-high three the singles Section III, Division III championship in her sophomore season with the Lakers. Despite total points (144). Cato-Meridian (315) 282-2288.

falling to former teammate Isabelle Soderberg in three sets in the finals, DeJesus finished the season with a singles record of 14-1. Her individual record propelled Skaneateles to a 6-5 regular-season record. The team advanced to the Section III, Class C semifinals, but fell to Marcellus, 4-3.

Volleyball: Zoie Karcz, Jordan-Elbridge

As a sophomore for the Eagles, Karcz helped lead her team to the Section III, Class C finals against LaFayette. In the five-set loss, she recorded 22 digs, 14 assists and eight total points. Karcz racked up 321 total points, 166 assists and 63 aces as Jordan-Elbridge finished the season with a 15-6 record. Nine of the Eagles' wins last season came in three sets.

Volleyball: Avani Cole, Cato-Meridian

With the Blue Devils' top two total-point getters graduating in the spring, Cole looks to step into a larger role this fall. The junior finished last season second in kills (49), fifth in serve points (69), sixth in aces (26) and third in reached at jacob.urish@lee.net or

finished last season 10-7, winning seven of its last nine games.

Volleyball: Grace Mack, Auburn

Totaling 68 points over the Maroons' final nine regular-season games last year, Mack was key for the team as it won eight of those matchups. Behind Avianna Ming, she ended the season with the second-most points (102) for Auburn as it finished the year 9-7. Mack closed her junior campaign with 72 kills, 31 blocks and 30 aces.

Volleyball: Megan House, Weedsport

House put up 119 assists over the Wolverines' first seven games last season as they started out 5-2. In Weedsport's second game of the season, she set a career high in assists with 28 in a four-set victory against Faith Heritage. She finished the season leading the team in assists (215) and blocks (11), while being second and fifth in aces (37) and points (61).

Sports reporter Jacob Urish can be



GLENN GASTON, SPECIAL TO THE CITIZEN Volleyball player Megan House, of Weedsport.



KEVIN RIVOLI. THE CITIZEN Football player Nixon Karcz (17), of Jordan-Elbridge.



KEVIN RIVOLI. THE CITIZEN

Football player Christian London (33), of Auburn

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AGRICOLA WIND PROJECT | Virtual Community Meeting | Sept. 24, 2024 | 7 - 8 PM

Liberty Renewables is hosting a virtual community meeting for the proposed Agricola Wind Project, which is being developed in the Towns of Scipio and Venice in Cayuga County, New York. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a venue for information sharing as a follow-up to the open house event hosted by Liberty on August 13th, 2024 in Venice, New York.

During this virtual meeting, Liberty staff and subject matter experts will provide a live presentation covering project details and various topics of interest, followed by a question-and-answer session where attendees will be able to submit written questions to the presenters. If you'd like to submit a question ahead of time, please visit our site https://liberty-renewables.com, and complete the contact form at the bottom of the page.





Information will also be provided about the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) and on the future availability of local agency account funds, including the requirement to submit a request for initial funding within thirty (30) days of the date of application filing. Please visit ores.ny.gov/resources for more information on local agency account funding.

To join this virtual meeting, visit the Agricola Wind webpage, https://libertyrenewables.com/agricolawind/, where a link to join will be posted. Materials from the August 2024 open house are available for review on the Agricola Wind webpage as well.

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A BETTER YOU

Why races bring out humanity's best

ne of my favorite quotes that encapsulates the nature of endurance sports is from Katherine Switzer. She said, "If you're ever losing faith in human nature, go out and



MARA CASLER

watch a marathon." Have you ever stood at the start or finish line of a race? It is the purest form of joy, passion and pride. Not just from the athletes, but the spectators, volunteers and race

crews as well. Watching an endurance race re-instills hope and reinspires faith in humankind. Let me tell you why.

Endurance sports of any kind triathlons, bike races, marathons and the like — level the playing field. What does that mean? It means it doesn't matter if you have a college degree or not, if you grew up in poverty or not, if you are in a same-sex relationship or not. The sport doesn't care. The playing field is leveled by every athlete coming from a different background and all showing up to run the same race. This means that the self-limiting excuses that you hold tight to your chest maybe your upbringing was bad, so you didn't start running until your late 20s - don'tcount. And just as well, your past academic, relationship or career accomplishments don't have a place in endurance racing either. Everyone who lines up at the start line, starts in the same place. It is humbling, it is revealing, and it is the best



Runner take off from the starting line during The Great Race 45 (Capt. Myles Keough Paddle, Wheel and Run) in

part about endurance sports. The slate is wiped clean at every start line.

Witnessing the start line of a race is monumental. For many athletes, it took long hours of training, career and family sacrifices, and a lot of courage to get them to that start line. The athletes are instantly bonding, huddled together, buzzing with nerves, most likely complete strangers prior to the start line. They share one common thread, which is the love of the sport. No one is talking about their to-do list, what they do for a career, what bills they have overdue. For

these next few magical hours, this race is their only reality. Being in a race separates you from "real life" for short time and reminds you how incredible it is to be in nature, racing with other humans, connected over a common goal. The spectators of the race also become bonded by the event of simply being together, in support of someone they love. They chat about their race, ask each other for directions to the next aid station, and share stories over a cup of coffee in nature. Every person in the race or on the sidelines relies on other people they are surrounded by,

even if it is just to ask for the time or directions.

The finish line of a race is just as magical to witness. There are children holding signs that say "Go Mom!" friends with cancer ribbons pinned to their shirts, military families waving flags and coworkers, parents and spouses of the athletes. People from all walks of life are there to watch their loved one accomplish something great. There is no hate, no racism, no political viewpoints — there is nothing but pure joy. The finish line at an endurance race is the great equalizer for humanity. I've been able to witness many finish lines as an athlete, a volunteer and a spectator, and it brings me to tears every single time. Watching people put their entire heart into running the best race possible, and then to cross the finish line, signifying that their hard work has paid off, is inspiring. Watching family and friends cheer on every racer for their effort and accomplishment is reassuring. It's reassuring that people can still come together and see past each other's differences to realize that we are more alike than we are not. We are all here to run our own race, and support one other along the way.

Endurance races make friends out of complete strangers. Races bring people together to support a common goal, share a common passion and enjoy a common experience. If you are struggling to see the good in humanity these days, go out and experience a race. As a spectator, as an athlete, or even as a volunteer, there is something for everyone in endurance races. Stand at the start line and finish line, and look around at the best of humanity. There is no hate in endurance racing - only love, joy and inspiration.

Mara Casler, of Aurelius, is a certified nutritionist through Cornell University, and holds a bachelor's degree in fitness development and a master's degree in recreation therapy from SUNY Cortland. She is a triathlete with a passion for weightlifting, hiking with her dog Oakley, and helping people become the healthiest version of themselves.

THE POSSIBLE YOU

Peace begins with you

f you spend any time reading or watching the news, you may wonder if a peaceful world is possible. Well, it is, and it can start with you. You won't have to become a high-profile diplomat or famous motivational speaker. You just need to look inside yourself, find the peace that is there, and component of a peaceful share it with others. Here are a few ways to help you do that.

First, take several deep breathing breaks throughout the day. Our nervous system has two basic modes: fight or flight and rest and digest. Which one sounds more peaceful to you? By slowing down our breath, we can relax, dispel anxiety and think more clearly. This puts us in a peaceful state of mind. You can't share peacefulness if you aren't feeling it.

We have addressed selfcare in this column before, and it is an important



JOE SARNICOLA AND

mindset. Not selfishness or arrogance, just showing respect for your own life, for the person you are, and treating yourself as you would treat a close friend or family member.

Live with intention. How? By setting an intention each day, such as "I accept myself for who I am" or "I intend to be joyful throughout the day." When we do this, we are taking an active role in our daily lives, as opposed to being blown helplessly in whatever direction that

day's winds are blowing. Keep a gratitude journal where you can write down things (and that would include people) you are thankful for. Or at least think of three things you are grateful for every day. Being grateful puts you in a peaceful state of mind.

Live in the present. Don't we always live in the present? No, sometimes we are dwelling on mistakes or misfortunes of the past or worrying about the future. Being aware of the present allows us to use our senses to experience the world fully and calmly.

Try to imagine or visualize a place that you would consider peaceful. It may be a spot in nature, on a beach, or maybe just in a quiet room. What do you hear, see, smell, feel or taste? This will help you to be calm. You can go to this imaginary place any time you need to, without ever actually going anywhere. but you will experience the benefits as if you did.

Any of these practices will help you to be more peaceful, and other people will notice. And that is how you can help to spread peace. Try it. The world needs the peace you have to share.

Empowered living thoughts

The possibility of peace spreading, inspired and catalyzed by our personal attempts at cultivating a peaceful existence, is very exciting. For the pessimist living in each of us, this may seem too good to be true. Our well-intentioned, rational mind may argue that we cannot control external circumstances, therefore we have limited capacity to influence the world around us. However, this is only partially true. Although we can only truly control ourselves, we can influence other people by living an intentional life, directed by compassion and seeking peace.

The challenging task,

then, is to accept full responsibility for our own internal climate. It can be very tempting to fall into the trap of feeling victimized by life when things do not go according to our own plans and expectations. External influences can affect our quality of living, especially when our basic safety and security needs are not met, but even then, allowing the mind to stay in a cycle of worry will not be beneficial.

This is not intended to trivialize the stress and difficulties that we endure, or to imply that we can fix all of our problems with a vague slogan like "think positively." Instead, it is an invitation to consider what role the need to control plays in our own lives.

Resisting unexpected outcomes and feeling "wronged" by life gives away our power of autonomy, making us passive characters in our own lives. This type of thinking can quickly spiral downward, leading us to feel disenchanted and bitter.

We must take concrete action toward shaping our external lives, while also working toward accepting the trials and tribulations as a necessary part of the human experience. Additionally, if we recognize that our worry is an attempt to exert control over something that is beyond our influence, we can begin to release it, knowing that it does not help our situation and extinguishes our internal flame of peace.

It is my hope that by intentionally stoking the fire of peace that burns in each of us, we can enable a blaze that burns so brightly, it illuminates all of humanity in its brilliance.

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YOU'RE INVITED!



What? Liberty Renewables Inc. is holding a public Open House for the Agricola Wind Project. August 13th, 3 - 7 PM Where?

Venice Pavilion 2532 State Route 34 Venice Center, New York, 13147

Who? Residents of all ages from Venice, Scipio, and surrounding communities are welcome. Both Liberty Renewables staff and regional experts will be present to answer any questions, address concerns, and provide information on the project. The team will also be prepared with a robust collection of informational posters and handouts, including the latest draft of the planned facility site, inclusive of anticipated turbine locations and associated infrastructure. Why? The purpose of this Open House is to provide information to the public on this project, and the anticipated submission date for the project's Article VIII (formerly Section 94-c) application. Information will also be provided about the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES), as well as details on the future availability of local agency account funds, including the requirement to submit a request for initial funding within thirty (30) days of the date of application filing.

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TOP 5 NFL SAFETIES

STELLAR SAFETY

AP vote says Bucs' Winfield Jr. best of talented group

JOSH DUBOW Associated Press

ntoine Winfield Jr.'s stellar play on the field earned him a lucrative contract this offseason that was the richest ever for any defensive back.

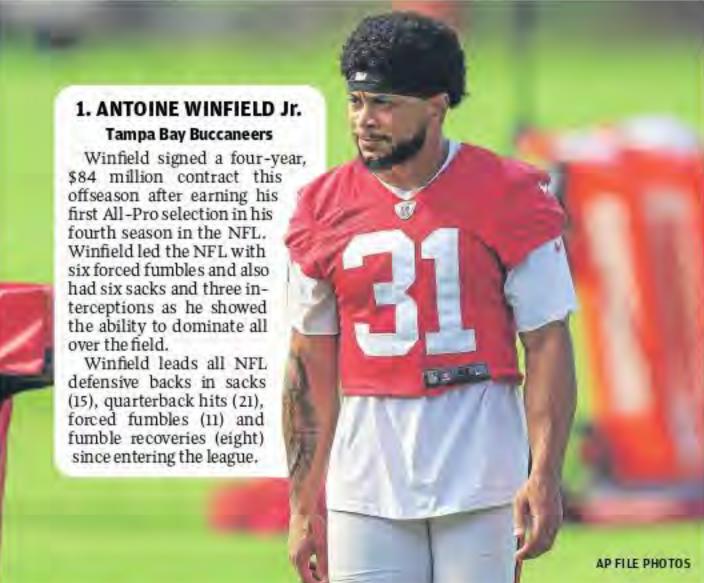
That play also led Winfield to be selected as the top safety in the NFL by The Associated Press.

A panel of eight AP Pro Football Writers ranked the top five players at safety, basing selections on current status entering the 2024 season. First-place votes were worth 10 points. Second through fifth-place votes were worth 5, 3, 2 and 1 points.

Winfield earned six first-place votes, one second and one third to beat out Baltimore's versatile safety Kyle Hamilton for the top spot. Hamilton got one first-place vote and was also picked on all eight ballots to come in second.

Minkah Fitzpatrick got the other first-place vote and was also named on every ballot to finish third in the voting, Jessie Bates III and Jevon Holland rounded out the top five.

Geno Stone, Derwin James, Justin Simmons, Kyle Duggar, Talanoa Hufanga and Xavier McKinney also got votes.





2. KYLE HAMILTON Baltimore Ravens

Hamilton's versatility was a key part of Baltimore's defense that allowed the fewest points in the NFL last season. The second-year player had more than 230 snaps as a box safety, a deep safety or a slot cornerback, excelling at all three spots.

Hamilton had four interceptions, three sacks and 10 tackles for loss on the way to being a first-team All-Pro.



3. MINKAH FITZPATRICK Pittsburgh Steelers

Fitzpatrick took a step back last season from his ball-hawking play in 2022 but still earned enough votes to finish third. He was limited to 10 games because of a

pair of injuries. After leading the league with six interceptions in 2022 when he earned his third first-team All-Pro selection, Fitzpatrick had no picks last season.



4. JESSIE BATES III Atlanta Falcons

Bates was one of the top free agent additions last season when he left Cincinnati to sign with Atlanta. He had a career-high six interceptions, including one returned for a touchdown against New Orleans' Derek Carr. He also forced three fumbles and had 11 passes defensed, earning second-team All-Pro honors.



5. JEVON HOLLAND Miami Dolphins

Holland had one of the more memorable defensive plays last season when hereturned a desperation pass attempt by Tim Boyle for a 99-yard TD on the final play of the first half in a Black Friday win against the New York Jets. He was strong the rest of the season as well to crack the top five.

NFL

Giants, Lions fined for multiple fights during their joint practices

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ons each \$200,000 for multiple fights that broke out at joint practices between the volved Lions All-Pro re- Emmanuel Moseley is out teams this week.

minded in a memo sent last and the other with rookie month that fighting and unprofessional conduct at tolerated," the league said in tussle with his center Greg a statement Wednesday.

eventually restored.

Two of those fights inceiver Amon-Ra St. Brown, "All NFL clubs were re- one with safety Dane Belton jured in one of the fights.

cornerback Dru Phillips. Giants quarterback Dan-Van Roten down on the field

where the players rushed to after Jones hit his hand on NEW YORK — The NFL the altercation from all sides the equipment of a Lions has fined the Giants and Li- of the field and peace was defender while making a throw.

> Lions defensive back indefinitely after being in-

On Tuesday, Giants rookie WR Malik Nabers got into a fist-swinging aljoint practices would not be iel Jones rushed into one tercation with Lions safety Kerby Joseph.

The teams will play On Monday, there were at and a Lions player on top of Thursday night in their preleast four scrums after plays him. That came one play season opener.

NYSEG Service Territory – Commission Extends NYSEG's Time Period in LAUF calculation to 10 years

Notice is hereby given that, after petitioning the New York State Public Service Commission ("Commission"), New York State Electric & Gas Corporation ("NYSEG") has been authorized by the Commission to modify its' natural gas tariff, extending the period of time used in the calculation of the Loss Factor for NYSEG's Lost and Unaccounted for ("LAUF") gas to a ten-year average instead of the current five-year average. The Commission authorized the proposed tariff change to enable NYSEG to continue to reconcile LAUF gas costs and avoid potential inequities between Sales and Transportation Customers. The amendment became effective on August 1, 2024.

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HISTORY

Politics, people, location help Hamburg land Erie County Fair

PROVIDED CONTENT

Godfried Zimmerman gathered up his fruits and apples, hitched up his team of horses, and joined the stream of fruit and vegetable farmers from Cheektowaga headed along the dirt roads that led to a new race track near White's Cor-

James White herded up his prize sheep and followed the farmers from the Northtowns, who had herded their most precious cows, horses, poultry, and pigs, and also made their way to the fair.

Meanwhile, L.H. Pratt in Buffalo dug up his best potatoes and picked his plumpest tomatoes before blending in with the torrent of other city dwellers who had climbed into carriages and ventured south on the Buffalo - White's Corners tus stood before members Plank Road to the same race of the Erie County Agri-

Excitement was in the air this Wednesday morning, Sept. 23, 1868, as it was the first day of the Erie County Fair in Hamburgh (as the name was then spelled). It was a farm town of fewer than 3,000 souls, and there was no Village of Hamburgh, just the hamlet of White's Corners with no more than 700 residents.

But the enthusiasm of hosting the county fair rippled through the town.

The Erie County Fair which dated back to 1820



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

"Springville must revive

Society, which could get

teresting and profitable

to our community," the

Springville Journal re-

ported in a huffy story on

Jan. 11, 1838, two days after

But that was not to be.

The Erie County Fair has

been held in Hamburg ev-

ery year since, except 1943

during World War II. Titus

and Hamburgh rose to the

occasion, and there was no

need to consider another

site after the successful fair

inside the Erie County Ag-

ricultural Society may have

provided pull at first. At that

same meeting when mem-

bers settled on Titus' race

track for the fair, they also

elected several Hamburgh

residents as leaders of the

organization: P.W Powers

Some political influence

of September 1868.

the decision.

Horses are judged during the Erie County Fair in 1902.

had never before been held in Hamburgh, as the its old Union Agricultural agricultural exposition moved regularly about the up a Fair much more incounty – first in Buffalo and later in Aurora, Lancaster, West Seneca, East Hamburgh, and Springville. But on a cold January day earlier that year, Luther Ticultural Society at Hammond's Hotel in Springville and offered the grounds of his newly opened Hamburgh Driving Park for the site of the three-day fair later that year.

"You can have it for free," he said.

Now you might think that was an offer that wouldn't be contentious. But the members narrowly accepted Titus' offer in an 18-17 vote. Some, especially people in Springville, who had hosted the 1867 fair, were not happy.

Robert C. Titus as secretary, and Robert Foote as burg. treasurer.

permanent fair home. The people and the location clinched the deal.

to the fairgrounds yesterday showed us that it is not the intention of the residents of Hamburgh to allow the fair this year, held in their beautiful town, to go by default," the Buffalo Courier reported after the first day of the expo.

"The grounds are admirable. A grove embraces them, which affords a pleasant, rambling place for those inclined to wander away from the attractions of the exhibition. ... Buildings have been erected for the display of articles enthose generally provided for county fairs.

that are likely to adorn it. ... the 'ladies' department, wherein are displayed flowers, pictures and other articles of the feminine handiwork, is equally spacious."

preceding Erie County fairs, which had shuttled among

positive reflections of Ham-

"Our county fairs are rep-But it wasn't all politics rehensibly local in general... that made Hamburgh such differing from many counan attractive site for the ties, where they are made an annual exhibition of the best products of the region," the Courier reported. "Our "A visit which we made fairs have almost invariably proved to be the exhibitions of the crack horses and pigs and sheep and turnips and potatoes and so forth of the town in which they are held and its adjoining neighbors. Rivalry is necessary to success in any business whether the business of selling dry

goods or raising vegetables." There was no such parochialism in the first county fair in Hamburgh.

"The officers of the fair of Erie County this year are trying to secure a more general competition than has been usual, and the prospects are tered for competition of a flattering for an exhibition decidedly better order than far better than is ordinary," the Courier reported.

Though travel was slow "The agricultural hall going in 1868, with horses is ample in proportions to over dirt roads, farmers from contain all the products all corners of Erie County participated in the fair. Evidence of the more integrated competition showed up in the winning ribbons.

White of Tonawanda won best buck lamb, second place Some dissatisfaction of for best two ewes and third place for best buck. First place for best buck went to

as president, Allen K. Dart different communities, also George Sykes of Hamburgh, as second vice president, may have contributed to the while J.A. Baker of Aurora won best of ewes.

In the pig competition, C.E. West of Buffalo won first place for best boar and first place for best sow, while Eli Webster of East Hamburgh took second place.

In the fruit category, Zimmerman won first place for best variety fruit and best apples.

John Salisbury of Hamburgh took first place for corn, while Pratt of Buffalo won first place for best table potatoes, best tomatoes and best pumpkins. Wilson Reed of West Seneca won first place for best squashes, best turnips, best onions, and best cabbage. G. W. Stoddard of Eden presented the best hops.

The premier event may very well have been the harness racing at Titus's new race track.

"The fair really commences today, and we can promise such Buffalonians as choose to run out a pleasant day, if the weather proves favorable."

This current iteration of the Erie County Fair runs now through Sunday, Aug. 18. The grounds have grown from 12 acres to 275 acres, with 1,123 permanent buildings and structures and 15,000 parking spaces.

But it all started with that three-day fair in September

TODAY IN HISTORY

9, the 222nd day of 2024. ing and subsequent radi-There are 144 days left in ation poisoning killed an

Today's highlight

On Aug. 9, 1945, three bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, a U.S. B-29 Superfortress code-named Bockscar dropped a nuclear device

Today is Friday, Aug. over Nagasaki; the bombestimated 74,000 people.

Also on this date

In 1173, construction after the atomic began on the campanile of Pisa Cathedral-better known as the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

In 1854, Henry David lay.

Thoreau's "Walden," which described Thoreau's experiences while living near Walden Pond in Massachusetts, was first published.

In 1936, Jesse Owens won his fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics as the United States took first place in the 400-meter re-

Tate's Los Angeles home; cult leader Charles Manson

the oath of office to become to serve in the Cabinet. US president after Richard

In 1969, actor Sharon Nixon's resignation; in a Jr., a Black 18-year-old, Tate and four other people speech following, Ford dewere found brutally slain at clared that "our long national nightmare is over."

In 1988, President Ronand a group of his followers ald Reagan nominated were later convicted of the Lauro Cavazos to be secretary of education; Cavazos In 1974, Gerald Ford took became the first Hispanic

In 2014, Michael Brown

was shot to death by a police officer following an altercation in Ferguson, Missouri; Brown's death led to sometimes-violent protests in Ferguson and other U.S. cities, spawning a national "Black Lives Matter" movement.

- Associated Press

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----- CASH ONLY -----

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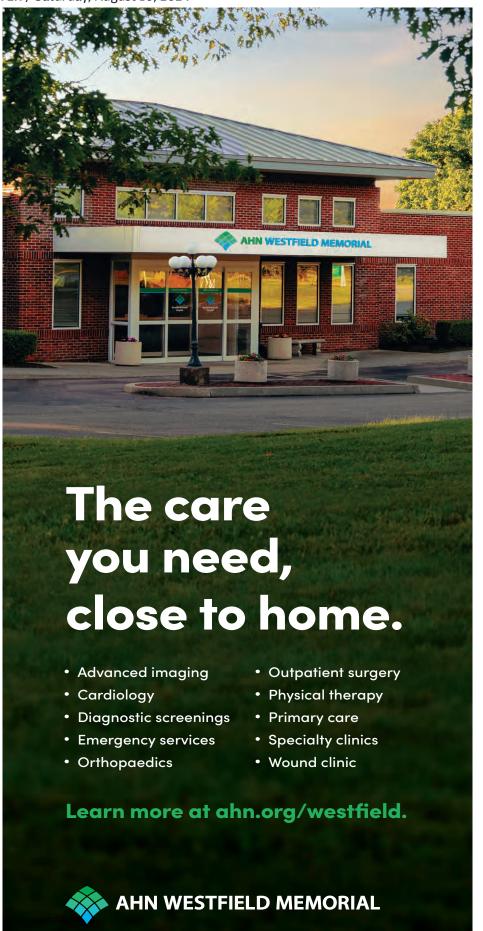
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KEVIN RIVOLI, THE CITIZEN

MAIN IMAGE: Twisted Vegan owner/operator Robert Auchman stands in the kitchen at Moondog's Lounge in Auburn in January 2021. INSET: Versatile vegan-focused ghost kitchen in Penn Yan is set to open later this month.

legan restaurant plants new roots

Auchman's chef opening ghost kitchen in Penn Yan

CHRISTOPHER MALONE christopher.malone@lee.net

than ever to reinvent his food company, Twisted Vegan.

After moving from Auburn to Penn Yan a year last about five months. and a half ago, the meditation instructor and gluten-free cuisine.

Later this month, Auchman will open a ghost kitchen at 1 Basin St. in the Yates County village. In the process, he'll go from "Prison City" to a multi-use building that once housed Penn Yan Prison.

Because sit-down dining is not yet feasible, call and order food for pickup at first.

While he focuses on cooking, his girlfriend cially in the Keuka Lake area. and business partner, Kelly Logue, will be taking the scenes.

Auchman first operated Twisted Vegan at "I think, where I'm located, this will bring a (315) 282-2232 or christopher.malone@lee.net.

To learn more

For more information on Twisted Vegan, including updates on its opening, visit facebook. com/twistedvegancafe.

obert Auchmanbelieves now is a better time Moondog's Lounge in Auburn in early 2021. There was a lot of uncertainty at the time due to COVID -19, he said, leading the operation to

> "This was the first time I stepped into my timing."

Auchman, who followed his time at Moonhe was humbled by the experience and the positive feedback he received. But he realized that owning a business with the word "Vegan" in the name could be difficult. That's because Auchman said, customers will only be able to more people are seeking out plant-based meals regardless of their dietary preference — espe-

"I always call this a Bermuda Triangle be- say 'hi," he said. care of the business side of the kitchen behind tween Syracuse, Rochester and Ithaca, where plant-based food is really hard to find," he said.

good, welcome change."

The vegan and gluten-free options at many restaurants, such as Beyond burgers, may be accommodating but are often factory-based and mass-produced, Auchman said. He makes his proteins from scratch, such as his vegan sausage, which consists of lentils, nuts and seasonings.

The new kitchen will serve a changing menu similar to Twisted Vegan's, with mainstays and weekly and monthly specials. Favorites like dairy-free macaroni and cheese will return, Auchman said, and a falafel burger will be added. part-time short order cook is contemplating a own space and my own creativity," he told The He's throwing around the idea of vegan pizzas as new name and direction for his plant-based and Citizen. "It was well-received, but just rough well. Breakfast sandwiches, meanwhile, will use a gluten-free biscuit.

> Many more details of the business are undog's with months of vending at events, said certain at this time, including the name. He's considering a new one that indicates his ghost kitchen is open to anyone seeking plant-based meals. He anticipates to be open from 7 or 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays, and is also considering a subscription-based delivery program to reach even more customers.

> > "I really hope people from Auburn stop by and

Staff writer Christopher Malone can be reached at

IN BRIEF

Auburn home to host car show, music

The Faatz-Crofut Home for the Elderly in Auburn will host a car show with the Prison City Ramblers at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14.

There will also be music by Bob Piorun and friends in the gazebo, with a hot dog and a drink for sale for \$4.

Admission is free and open to the public. Bringing a lawn chair is recommended, as seating will not be pro- is now underway. vided.

The facility is located at 46 Grant Ave., Auburn. For more information, call (315) 253-6141.

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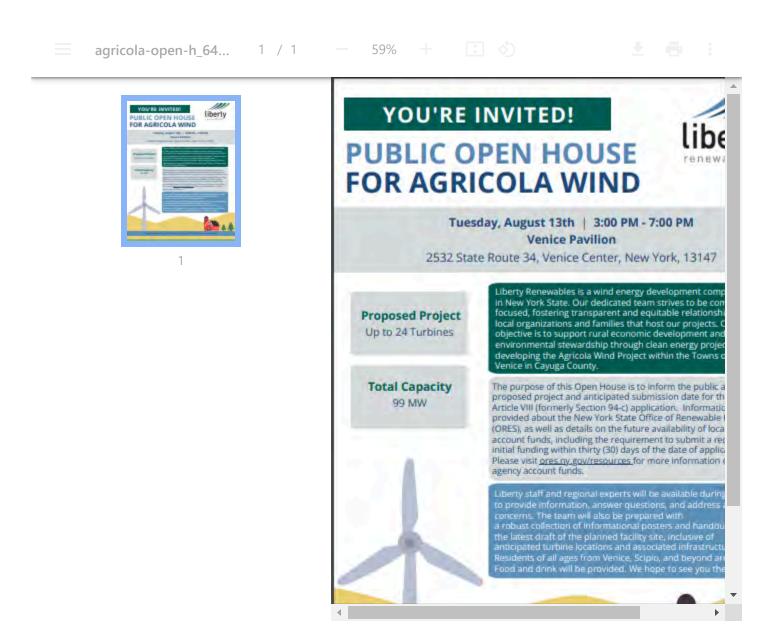
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