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What's Been Going On

Construction Updates

Over the past few months, our construction focus has been on wrapping up pre-turbine installation activities and preparing the Bluestone Wind project site for turbine deliveries (more on that below). Specifically, we have:

- Finished installing the permanent met tower north of Loomis Hill Road
- Performed final site grading and installed crane pads at turbine locations
- Added shoulders to several project area roads to improve the turning radii at those locations
- Continued to trench and install underground collection system cables
- Excavated and installed foundations for the transformers at the substation off of Big Hollow Road
- Made significant progress on the interior work needed for the operations and maintenance building at 605 William Law Road. This will serve as the permanent home for our personnel throughout the life of the project



we would like to extend a huge thank you to all of our construction personnel for both diligently working to keep our construction activities on schedule and strictly adhering to our safety protocols.

Spotlight: Northland Hires Bluestone Operations Manager



Terry Stanley will serve as the Operations Manager for the Bluestone Wind Farm. Terry was raised in Herkimer, NY and served in the Navy as a Reactor Operator on fast attack submarines. After leaving the Navy, Terry worked for California Energy, where he helped build and operate nine geothermal plants in the Mojave Desert. He then moved back to New York, first serving as the Operations Manager for Indeck Energy's cogeneration facility, and then holding the positions of Operations and Maintenance Manager, Plant Manager, and Senior Contract Performance Manager at General Electric. Most recently, Terry was the Plant Manager at Avangrid Renewables' Hard Scrabble Wind Farm in his hometown of Herkimer.

In his role as Bluestone Wind's Operations Manager, Terry will be onsite fulltime managing daily operations and maintenance activities of the project. These activities include monitoring the service agreement contract with Vestas, the turbine manufacturer, being responsible for the balance of plant care for the high and medium voltage transmission lines associated with the project, ensuring environmental health and safety requirements are followed, compiling and filing the required reports to governmental agencies and interacting with participating landowners, our neighbors and the municipalities.

What's Coming Up

Wind Turbine Deliveries

We are excited to announce that wind turbine deliveries will begin in early June. The trucks delivering the turbines will have police escorts, transport pilot vehicles and traffic control staff at various intersections, and there will be partial road closures to allow for oversize vehicles. Turbine deliveries will be made Monday through Friday, with no deliveries occurring over the weekend. We will coordinate with local authorities to ensure the trucks with oversized loads will not interfere with traffic for major events, including the Afton Fair, the Lumberjack Festival in Deposit, and the Windsor Town Fair.



Two different delivery routes have been approved:

- For the 6 turbines located off of William Law Road and Rector Road, trucks will travel in eastbound on State Highway 17
- For the remaining 20 turbines, trucks will travel eastbound on Interstate 88 then southbound on State Highway 41

The general approach for all turbine deliveries is for the trucks to drive directly up to the turbine pads and have the turbine components unloaded by crane that same day. In the event a truck arrives late in the day or there is an unforeseen delay (weather-related or otherwise), the truck will pull onto a selected access road for each load or a parking area on a participating property and park overnight.

We have installed turning-radius improvements for these deliveries on certain roads, and they will be closed to traffic when not in use. At the conclusion of the project, we will remove them and restore the land back to its original condition, except for the ones that will be made permanent at the request of the towns or at the request of participating landowners, subject to town approval.

The turbine deliveries will occur in four geographical stages, as laid out in more detail below:

Delivery Area 1 – Southwest portion of the project area – June through mid-July – T7, T37, T5, T6, T38, and T10

We anticipate that the first turbine delivery will occur the week of June 6. Turbine components will reach Delivery Area 1 by exiting State Highway 17 at E Boskett Road and proceeding onto Page Road. A newly built turning radius shoulder at the Page Road exit will facilitate the turn, and the new cut-through from State Highway 17 to Page Road will allow the trucks to get onto Page Road. Our understanding is that the Town of Windsor is working with the owner of this property to make this cut-through permanent, as a benefit to the public.

Trucks will proceed up Page Road to the intersection with William Law Road. For T38 and T10, the trucks will turn right using a newly built turning radius through the hairpin turn. The turn onto Rector Road for T10 is via a newly built turning radius improvement through the hayfield on the southeast corner of William Law Road and Rector Road. The hayfield will be restored after deliveries are complete.

Delivery Area 2 – North and central portion of the project area – late June through mid-August – T1, T4, T3, T36, T13, T28, T15, T21, T14, T23, T20, and T24

Truck components will reach Delivery Area 2 by exiting Interstate 88 eastbound at Exit 7 for Afton, then turning left onto Route 41 from the exit ramp via a newly built radius improvement. Between Afton and Delivery Area 2, Route 41 bends sharply at several locations. In those areas, flaggers may hold up oncoming traffic for several minutes.

To reach the entrance to Farnham Road from the south, trucks will need to turn around at the State Highway 17/Route 41 interchange (Exit 82). The trucks will first turn onto the westbound on-ramp and then back up onto a newly created shoulder on the westbound off-ramp, where they will pause to allow any waiting traffic to proceed. During each turnaround, the westbound ramps will be closed, and Route 41 will be closed in both directions at that location.



From the turnaround, the trucks will head north on Route 41 and turn left on Farnham Road. At Farnham Road & Pazzelli Road, they will turn left using a newly created turning radius to reach T1, T4, T3, T36, T13 and T28. Alternatively, they will proceed straight onto Bryce Road to reach T15, T21, T14, T23, T20 and T24.

Delivery Area 3 – East portion of the project area off of Shaver Hill Road – late July through mid-September – T25, T26, T33, T40, T31, T34

Truck components will reach Delivery Area 3 by exiting Interstate 88 eastbound at Exit 7 and following Route 41 as described above for Delivery Area 2. At North Sanford Road (CR241), they will turn left and head eastbound via a newly constructed turning radius improvement. They will turn right at Shaver Hill Road via a newly constructed turning radius improvement at the intersection of N. Sanford, Shaver Hill and Loomis Hill roads.

Delivery Area 4 - East portion of the project area off of Loomis Hill Road - August through September

Truck components will reach Delivery Area 4 by exiting Interstate 88 eastbound at Exit 7 and following Route 41 as described above for Delivery Area 2. At North Sanford Road (CR241), they will turn left and head eastbound via a newly constructed turning radius improvement. They will proceed straight onto Loomis Hill Road to reach T29 and T27.

Complaint Hotline

Bluestone Wind's final Complaint Resolution Plan has been approved by the New York Public Service Commission and we are fully committed to being a good neighbor to the towns, county and all stakeholders throughout construction and operation of the project. The Complaint Resolution Plan establishes the process and procedures you can follow to notify Bluestone Wind if any issues arise during the construction, operation or decommissioning of the Bluestone Wind Farm and provides an efficient process to resolve any complaints that arise during the life of the project.

THE PROCEDURE AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR REGISTERING A COMPLAINT

Safety is a core value for Northland Power, and we want to hear from you during this process. Complaints or concerns from neighboring residents or others can be made through the following channels. For safety reasons including Covid-19 protocols, members of the public will not be allowed onsite to register complaints with Bluestone Wind-affiliated workers at locations other than those identified below.

- 1. By calling the Toll-Free Number: 1-866-418-8753
- 2. By writing to Bluestone Wind at its email address <u>bluestone@northlandpower.com</u>; or mailing complaints to Northland's principal place of business at 30 St. Clair Ave. West, 12th Floor, Toronto, Ontario M4V 3A1

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