

Golden South Wind CLC Meeting #6

May 3, 2022

6:30 – 8:00 pm

St. George's Roman Catholic Church, Knight's Hall, Assiniboia



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Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Construction & COD Update
3. Environmental Update – Bird and Bat Monitoring
4. What to Expect During Operations
5. Community Funding
6. Review of Action Items from Previous Meeting
7. CLC Members Open Discussion and New Questions
8. Opportunities for the Public to Speak
9. Contact Information



Introductions

CLC Facilitator – Dillon Consulting

- Kathryn Palmer

Golden South Wind LP (GSW LP) / Potentia Renewables (PRI)

- Hem Shankar
- Andrea Garcia
- Steven Harris
- Alex Lawson

CLC Members

- Ken Bahuaud
- Larry Foster
- Trevor Karst



Construction & COD Update

- Final construction activities have wrapped up:
 - Interconnection testing
 - Performance testing
- All 50 turbines are operational and have been commissioned (have reached COD).
- Construction crews have left the site and the project has transitioned to the operations team.
- The Environmental Monitor from PESCA will be onsite monthly during the growing season for two years following initial reclamation to monitor vegetation growth, identify any noxious or nuisance weeds, and assess erosion and sediment control measures.



Environmental Update – Bird & Bat Monitoring

- The Post Construction Bird and Bat Mortality Monitoring (PCMM) program for the Project began in April 2022.
- The PCMM program is undertaken by a third-party consultant, Natural Resources Solutions Inc. (NRSI), and will last two years with possible studies in years 5 & 10.
- 15 turbines, selected based on geography, nearby habitats, and rotor diameter, are being monitored and surveyed.
- Annual reports will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment during the two years of the PCMM program

What to Expect During Operations

The project will now be managed by the Business Management and Operations Teams:

- Business Management: responsible for non-technical items/issues, including land-related items (leases, payments, property taxes, community fund payments).
- Operations Team: responsible for day-to-day management of the facility and maintaining turbines, roads, collectors, substation and all technical matters.
- Landowners and the RMs have been provided with contact information of key individuals in the teams above.

Fire and Emergency Procedures:

An emergency action plan (EAP) has been developed and is active. Site maps have been shared with local emergency agencies (RCMP, Ambulance, Fire) in the event emergency response is required.

What to Expect During Operations cont...

Overview of Maintenance Activities:

- Maintenance is performed on a continual basis on the towers. Each tower will have an annual and a 6-month maintenance cycle completed each calendar year. Substation maintenance is performed annually.
- The operations team is onsite full time and consists of 3 PRI employees, 5 Goldwind site technicians (for wind turbines) and staff from Rising Edge (for substation).



Community Funding

Golden South LP signed a community benefits agreement with both RMs prior to construction. As part of the agreements, Golden South LP will:

- Provide \$100k (in total) to both RMs within 90 days of COD. The RMs will be responsible for administering the funds for community initiatives.
- Provide \$100k each year during the life of the project.

Reach out to your local RM if you have ideas on how the funding should be used.





Review of Action Items from CLC Meeting #5



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Action Item #1: PRI will continue to internally discuss and explore options to resolve the concerns raised with regard to the turbine lighting.

Action Item #2: PRI will internally discuss the request for compensation for landowners or residents who may be bothered by the turbines or their lighting, and will provide additional information in a response.

Resolution to Action Items #1 and #2:

PRI reiterates that the installed lighting is in accordance with Transport Canada regulations and that PRI has no plans to modify the lighting at this time.



CLC Members Open Discussion and New Questions



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Opportunity for the Public to Speak



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Acknowledgements

CLC Members

- Ken Bahuaud
- Larry Foster
- Trevor Karst

Members of the public and community

Contact Information

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Adjournment

Thank you!



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