



# **BREEZY MEADOWS ENERGY FACILITY**

**THANK YOU FOR COMING**  
to the  
Breezy Meadows Energy Facility  
Information Session.

**BEFORE YOU LEAVE**  
Please complete a comment card, or,  
send your comments by mail or email.

## **HAVE QUESTIONS?**

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# COMPANY HISTORY

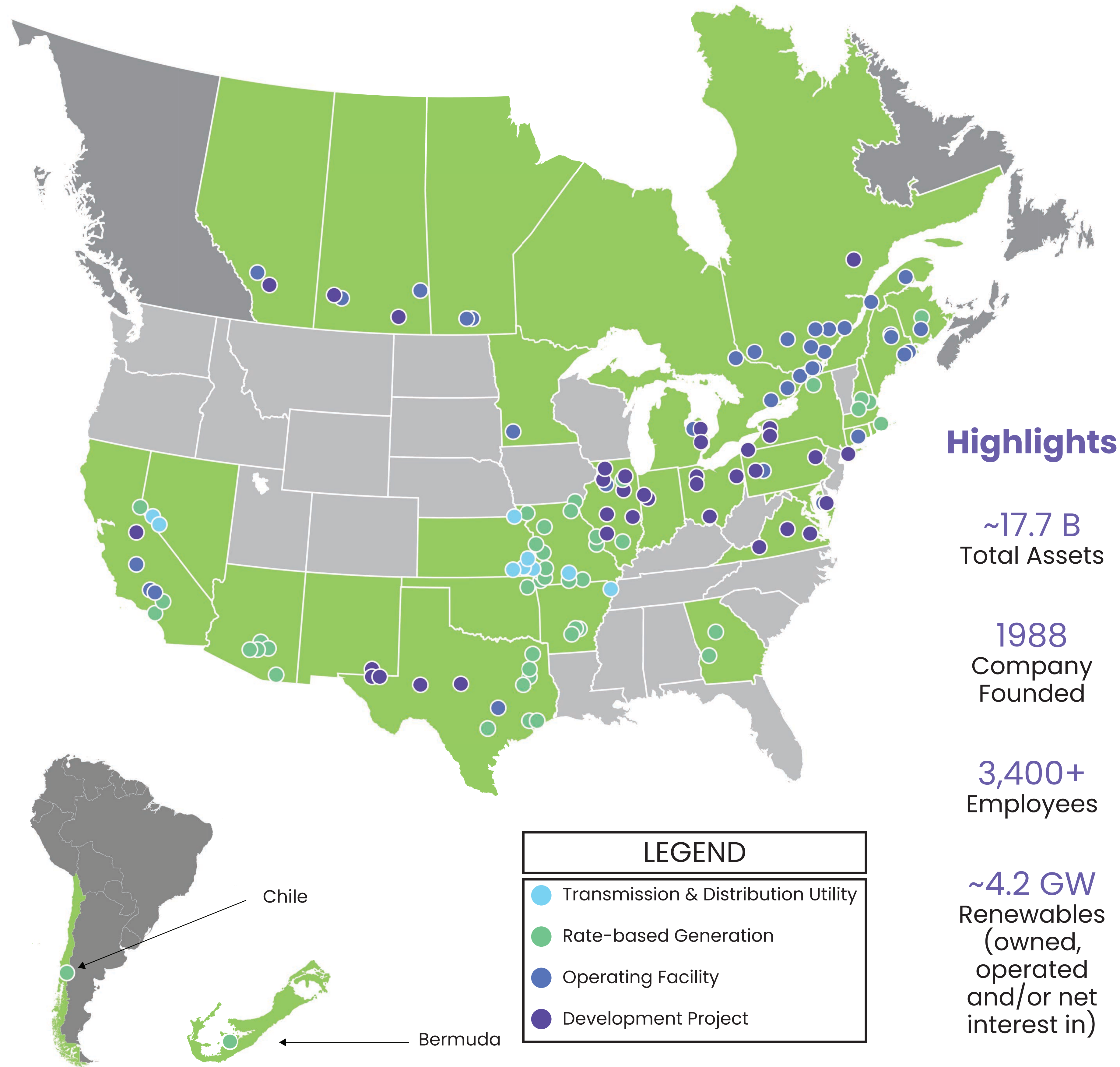
Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp. (Algonquin) was established in 1988 as a developer of small hydro projects in Ontario.

Algonquin was publicly listed as a common share on the Toronto Stock Exchange in 1997 and in 2016, was publicly listed as a common share on the New York Stock Exchange.

Since then, Algonquin has expanded into the utility business through Liberty Utilities, and has become a market leader in renewable generation through Liberty Power. Algonquin has operations spanning 16 jurisdictions with approximately 3400 employees.



Through our operating business (Liberty), we provide regulated water, electricity, and natural gas utility services to over 1 million customer connections, primarily in North America. And, our growing portfolio of clean, renewable wind, solar, hydro and thermal power generation facilities represents over 4.2 GW of renewables in operation and under construction.



## Highlights

~17.7 B  
Total Assets

1988  
Company  
Founded

3,400+  
Employees

~4.2 GW  
Renewables  
(owned,  
operated  
and/or net  
interest in)



# RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

## Under Development

### Minonk Solar Project

Woodford County, Illinois  
(200 MW AC + 50 MW Battery Energy Storage System)

### Mural Energy Facility

Vermilion County, Illinois (418 MW)

## Under Construction

### Shady Oaks 2 Wind Project

Lee County, Illinois (118 MW)

### Deerfield Wind Energy 2 Project

Huron Township, Michigan (110 MW)

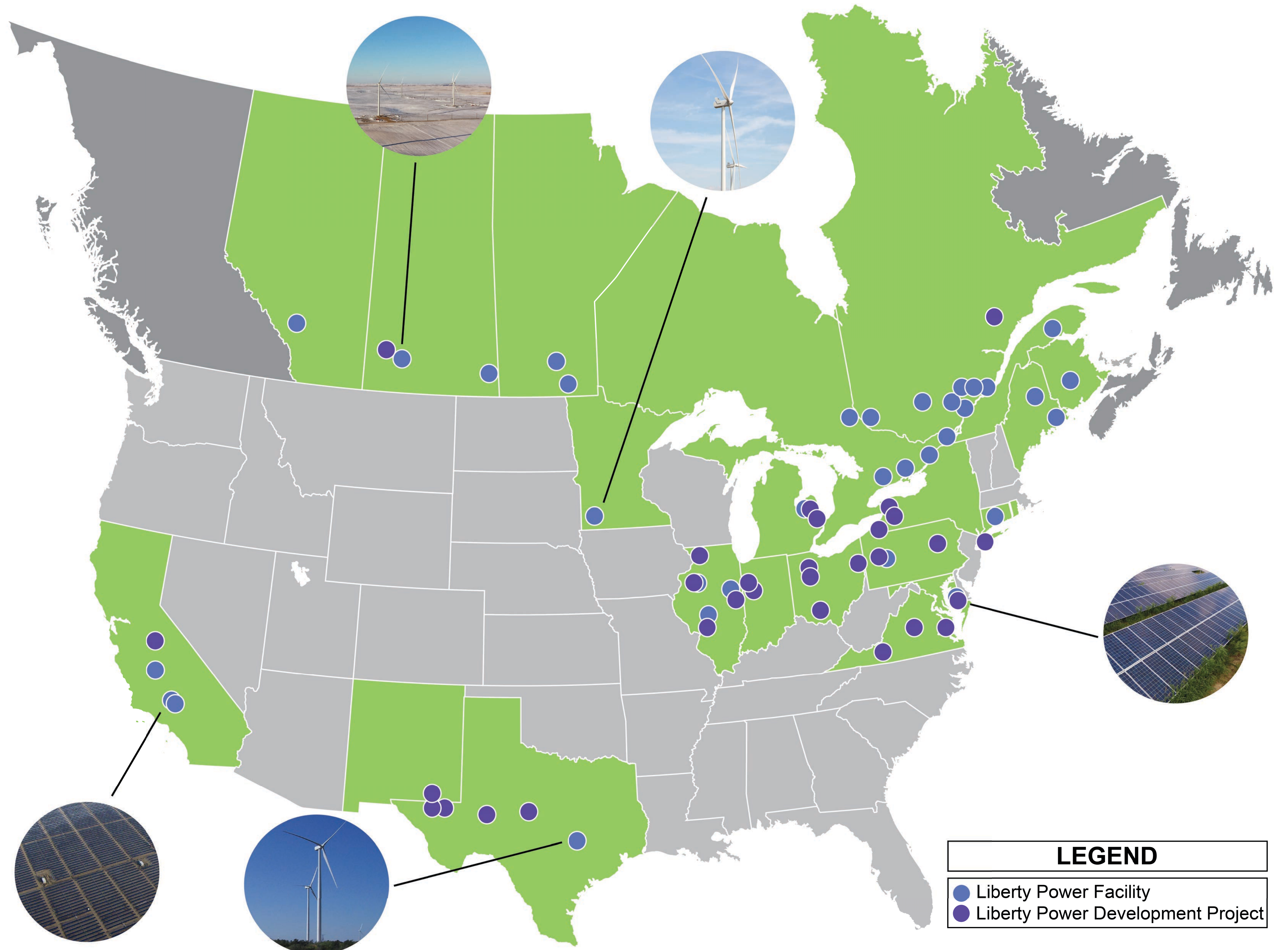
## Recent Operating

### Maverick Creek Wind Project

Concho County, Texas (492 MW)

### Sugar Creek Wind Project

Logan County, Illinois (202 MW)





# WHAT'S NEW?

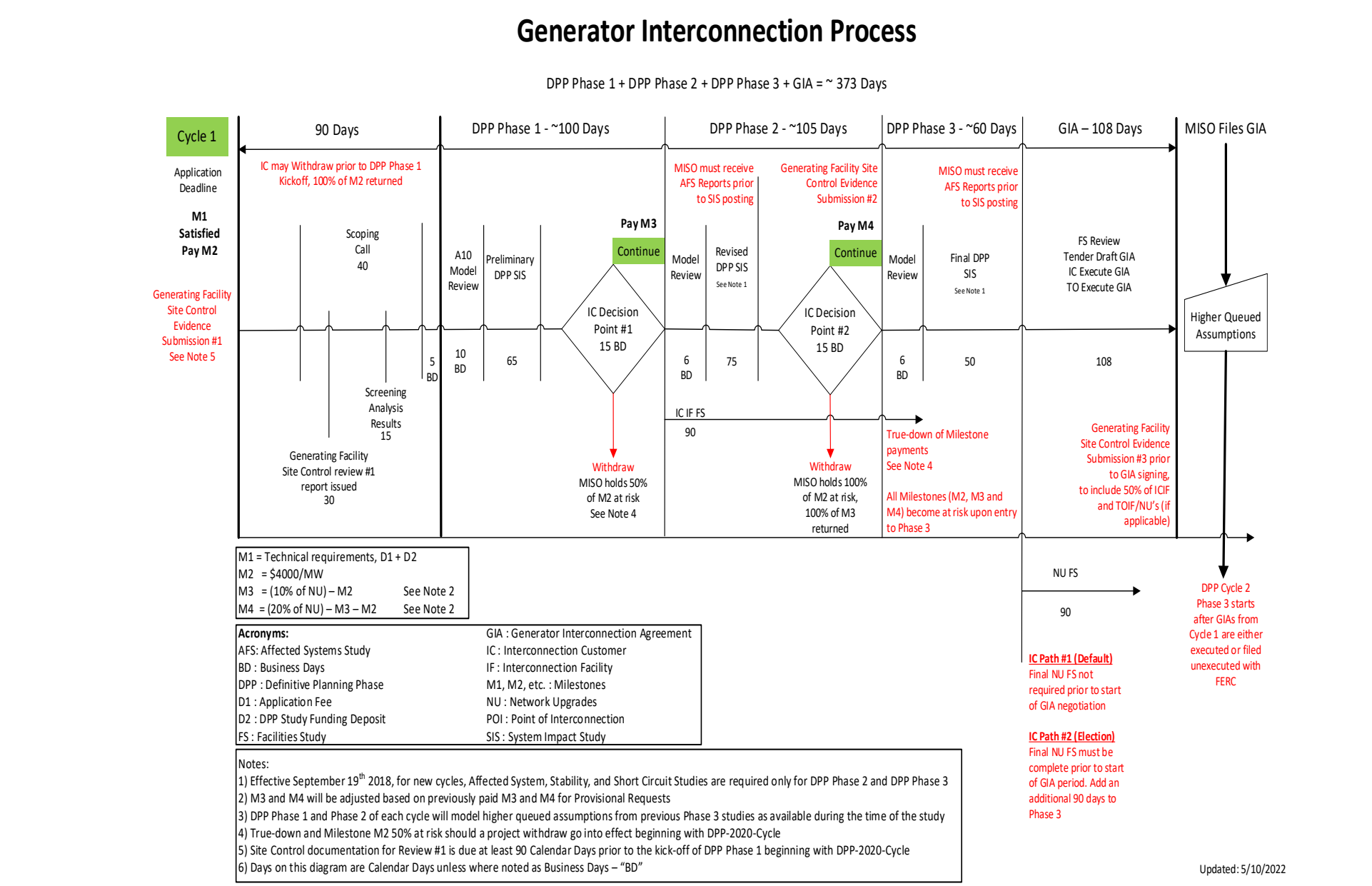


## Project Office

We have opened a project office located at:

407 North Monroe, Abingdon, IL 61410

Come drop in or schedule an appointment with one of our land agents. We would be happy to answer any of your questions, comments or concerns!



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Refer to full GI Process Flow Diagram and notes for more detail: [GI Application and DPP Readiness](#)



## MISO Application

On September 15th, 2022, the Breezy Meadows team submitted the project, into the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) Generator Interconnection Application Process.

The MISO Application is a key milestone for all renewable energy projects in their development process. The submission of this application brings the project one step closer to becoming a reality.



## Community Support

The project team would like to thank the Community and Participating Landowners for their support so far! We look forward to working with you as we continue to develop the project!

Land agents will continue to be meeting with landowners through December 2022 . If you haven't had a chance to schedule a meeting yet, please reach out to the project team.







# PROPOSED PROJECT TIMELINE



**2022- 2023**  
Consultation  
Land Acquisitions



**2022 - 2025**  
Permitting  
Geotechnical Surveys  
Environmental Surveys



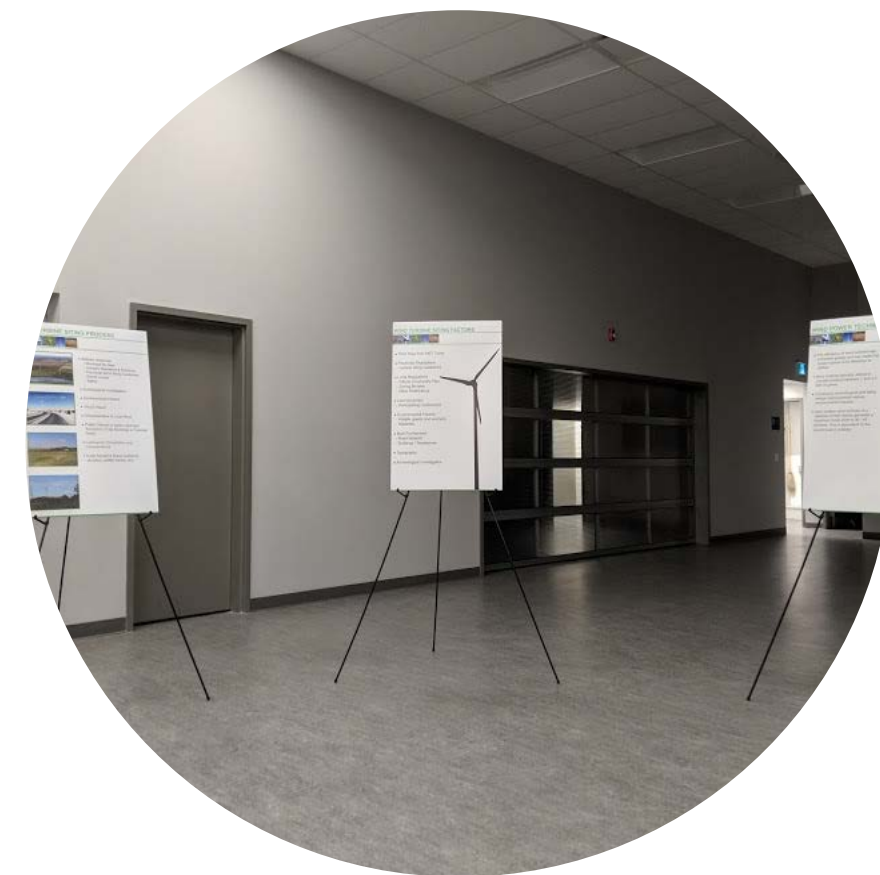
**2025 - 2026**  
Target  
Commercial  
Operation Date



**2022**  
Project  
Origination

**2022 - 2024**  
MISO Interconnection Application  
Meteorological Tower Installations  
Continued Community Engagement

**2025**  
Notice to Proceed  
Construction





# PERMITTING AND SITING PROCESS



During the permitting and siting process, various local, state and federal agencies are consulted & engaged, these may include:



US Army Corps of Engineers®



FEMA



HISTORIC Preservation DIVISION





# FUTURE PROJECT ACTIVITIES

**Wetlands and Waterways  
Delineation Surveys**

**Monthly Avian Surveys**

**Raptor Nest Surveys**

**Bat Acoustic Migration  
Surveys**

**Bat Acoustic Presence &  
Absence Surveys**

**Cultural Resources Studies  
and Surveys**

**Knox County Conditional  
Use Permit Application**

**Shadow Flicker Analysis**

**Noise/Sound Assessment**

**Communication Studies**

**Federal Aviation  
Administration  
Determination of No Hazard  
to Air Navigation Application**

**Geotechnical Surveys**

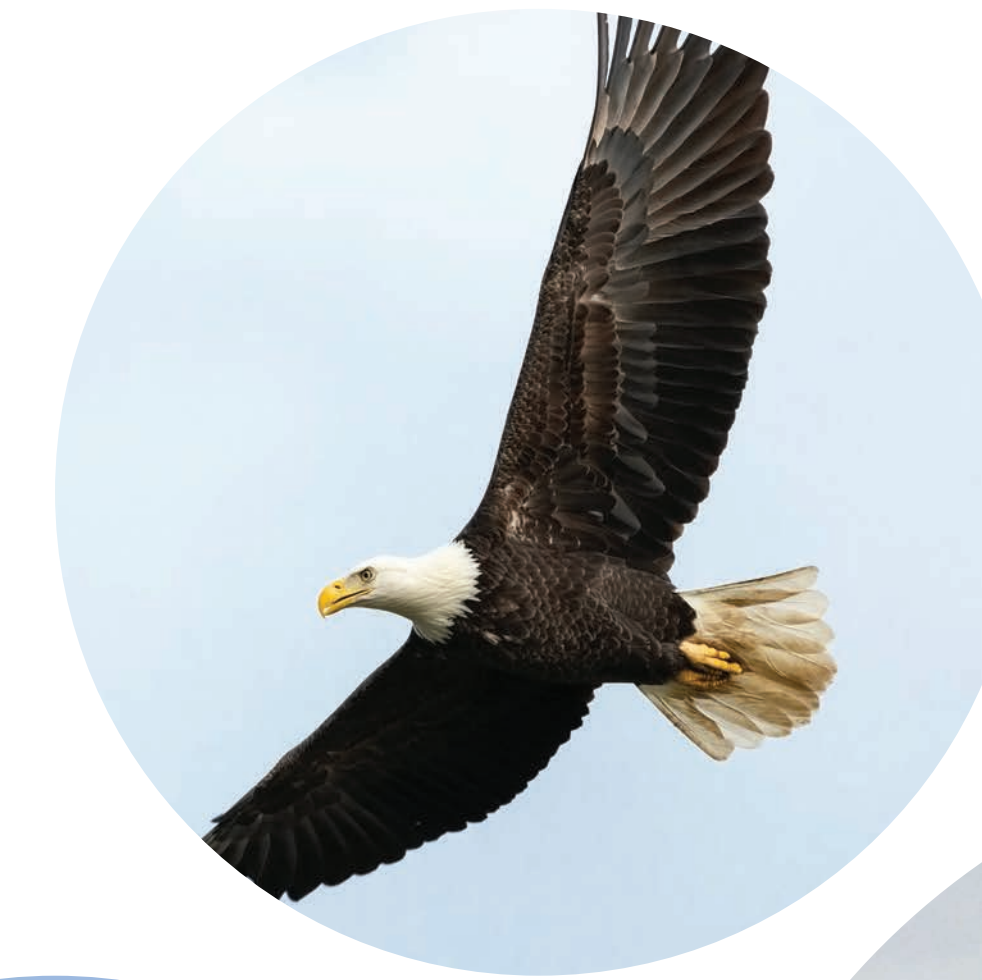
**Property Boundary Surveys**

**Rare Plant Survey**

**Transportation Study**

**Haul Route Assessment**

\*Please note these are a few examples of studies and surveys which may be required. .





# WIND POWER DEFINED

**Anemometer**—A device to measure the wind speed.

**Gearbox**—A compact, enclosed unit of gears which transfers force between machines or mechanisms, often with changes of torque and speed.

**Hub**—That component of a wind turbine to which the blades are affixed.

**Hub Height**—The distance from the foundation to which the tower is attached to the center of the hub.

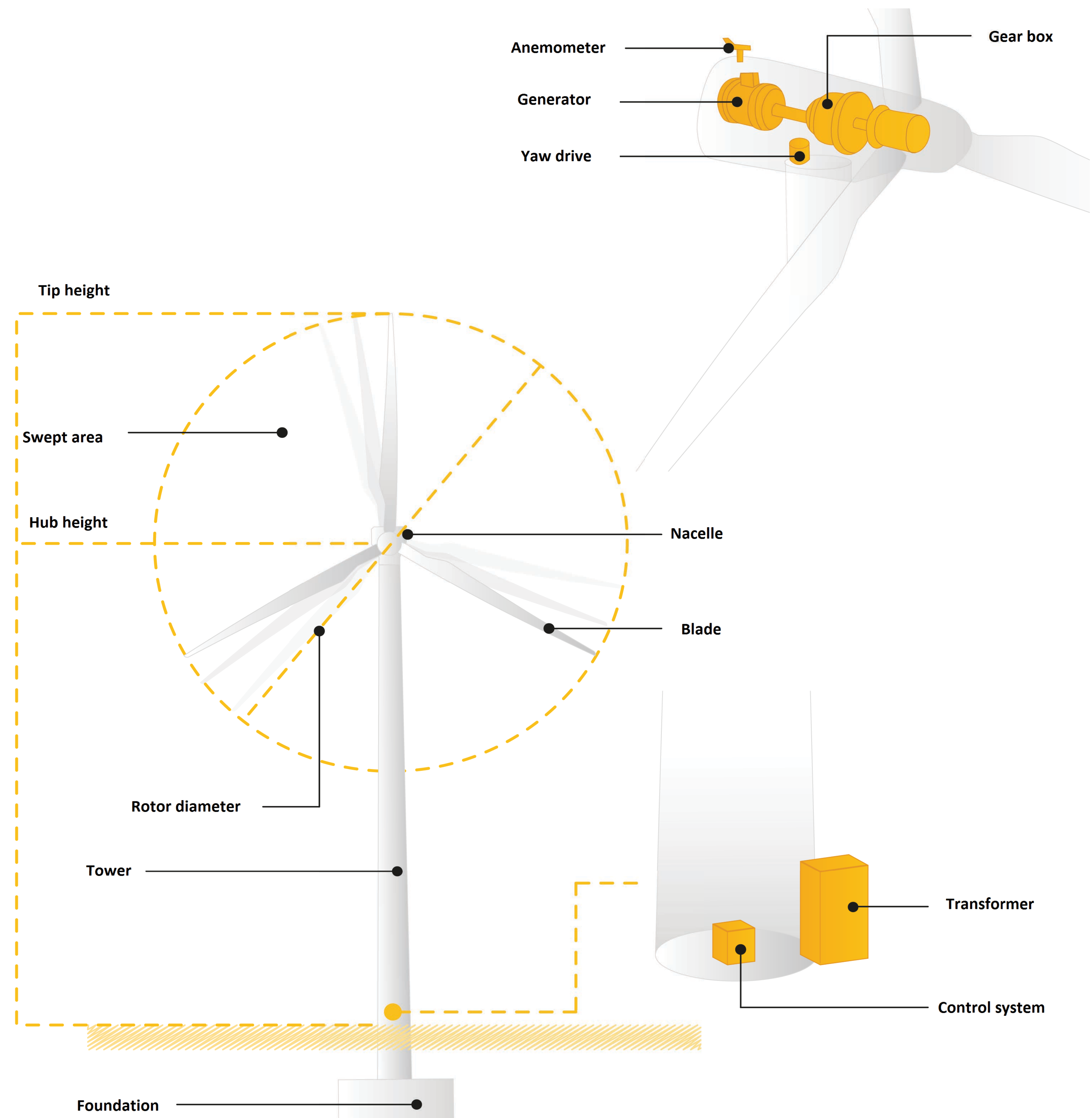
**Transformer**—receive AC (alternating current) electricity at one voltage and increase or decrease the voltage to deliver the electricity as needed

**Nacelle**—The body of a propeller-type wind turbine, containing the gearbox, generator, blade hub, and other parts.

**Rotor**—The rotating part of a wind turbine, including either the blades and blade assembly or the rotating portion of a generator.

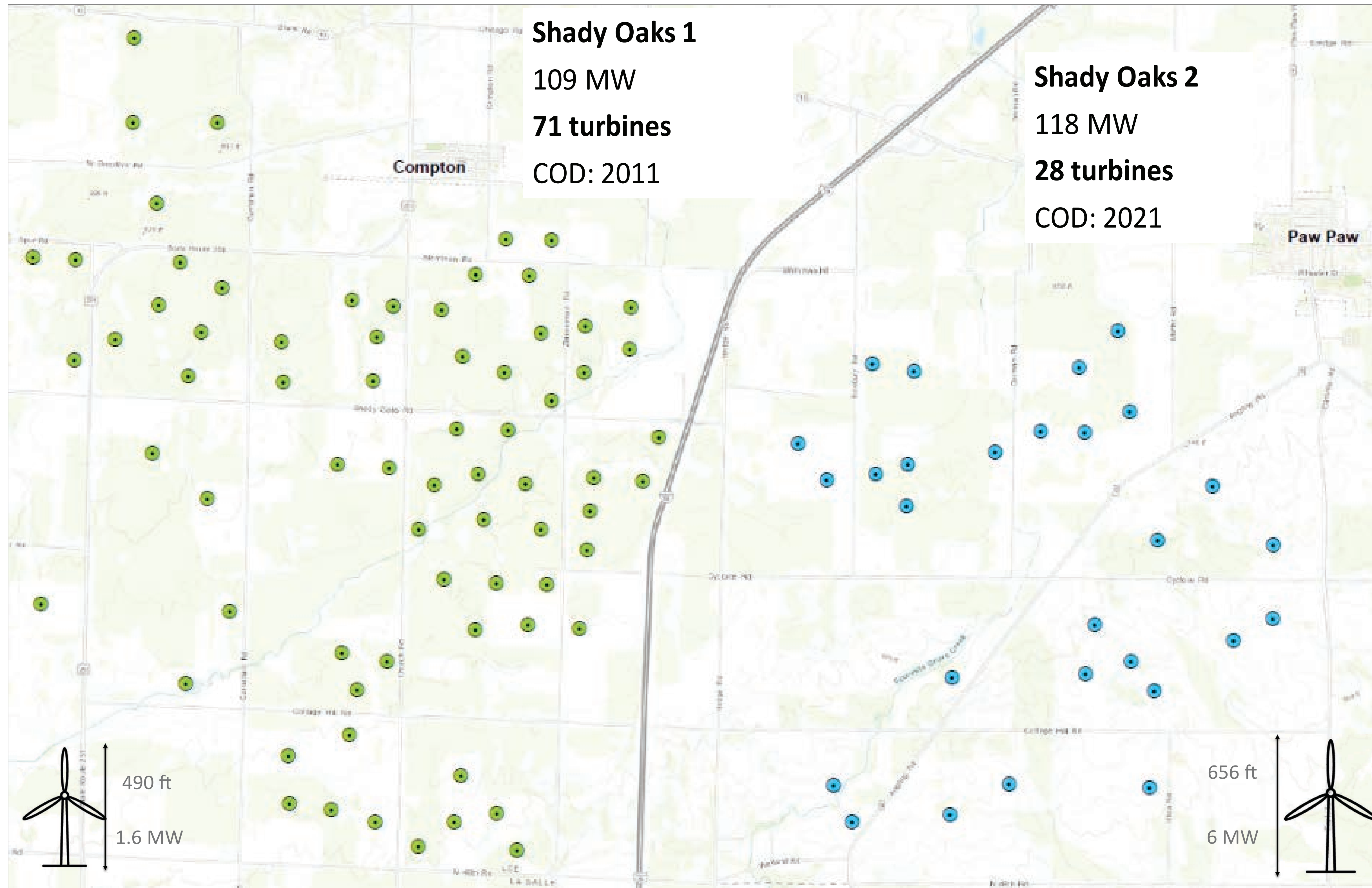
**Rotor diameter**—The diameter of the circle swept by the rotor.

**Swept area**—The area swept by the turbine rotor





# TURBINE EVOLUTION – MORE POWER FROM FEWER TURBINES



**Recent Example: Our Shady Oaks Wind 1 & 2 (Lee County, Illinois)**



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



## **How much wind is needed for a wind turbine to function?**

A typical modern turbine will start to generate electricity when wind speeds reach 6 – 9 mph, known as the cut-in speed. Turbines will shut down if the wind is blowing too hard (roughly 55 miles an hour) to prevent equipment damage.

## **How does wind energy get to you?**

The turbines in a wind farm are connected so the electricity they generate can travel from the wind farm to the power grid. Once wind energy is on the main power grid, electric utilities or power operators will send the electricity to where people need it. Smaller transmission lines, called distribution lines, collect electricity generated at the wind project and transport it to larger “network” transmission lines, where the electricity can travel across long distances to the locations where it is needed. Finally, smaller distribution lines deliver electricity directly to your town, home, or business.

## **Does it take more energy to make a wind turbine than the turbine will produce?**

No. It’s a common myth that it takes more energy to manufacture and build a wind turbine than the turbine will produce. In reality, a typical wind turbine will repay its carbon footprint in less than six months, and it will generate emission-free electricity for the remainder of its 20 to 30 year lifespan.

## **Are there health and safety concerns with wind power?**

Concerns about wind power sometimes reference shadow flicker or noise. However, the science is clear and unambiguous that wind projects do not cause negative health effects. Dozens of independent, peer-reviewed studies conducted around the world, including the U.S., have consistently found no evidence that wind farms cause any negative physical health effects. Shadow flicker is predictable, harmless, and passes quickly. It is based on the sun’s angle, turbine location, and the distance to an observer; it can be avoided by several methods. Regarding noise, typically, two people can carry on a conversation at normal voice levels even while standing directly below a turbine. Millions of people around the world live and work near wind farms without issue, and the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory found 92% of people living within five miles of a wind turbine report positive or neutral experiences.

## **Does wind power impact birds and other wildlife?**

Wind is a major climate change solution, which is the largest threat to many species and their habitats. Wind power is far less harmful to wildlife than traditional energy sources it displaces, including to birds and their critical habitats. Overall, wind causes less than 0.01% of all human-related bird deaths. Other causes include buildings (550 million), power lines (130 million), cars (80 million), pesticide poisoning (67 million), and radio and cell towers (6.8 million).



# TYPES OF AGREEMENTS

## WHAT TYPES OF AGREEMENTS DO WE OFFER:

### LEASE:



Turbine Site



Access Roads



Collector Lines



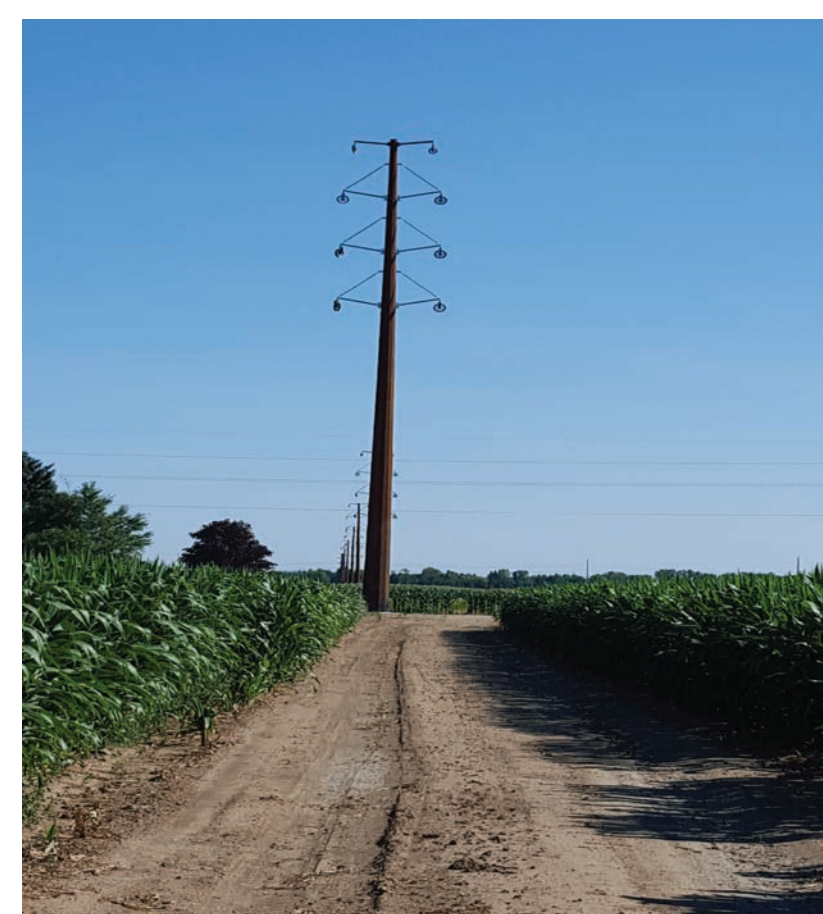
Laydown Areas

### PURCHASE AGREEMENT:



Substation/Switch Yard

### EASEMENT: (Specific Areas)



Transmission  
Line

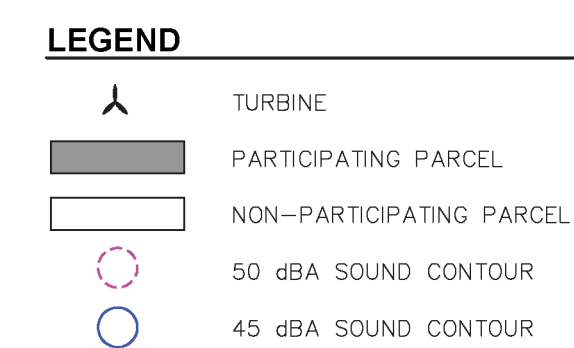
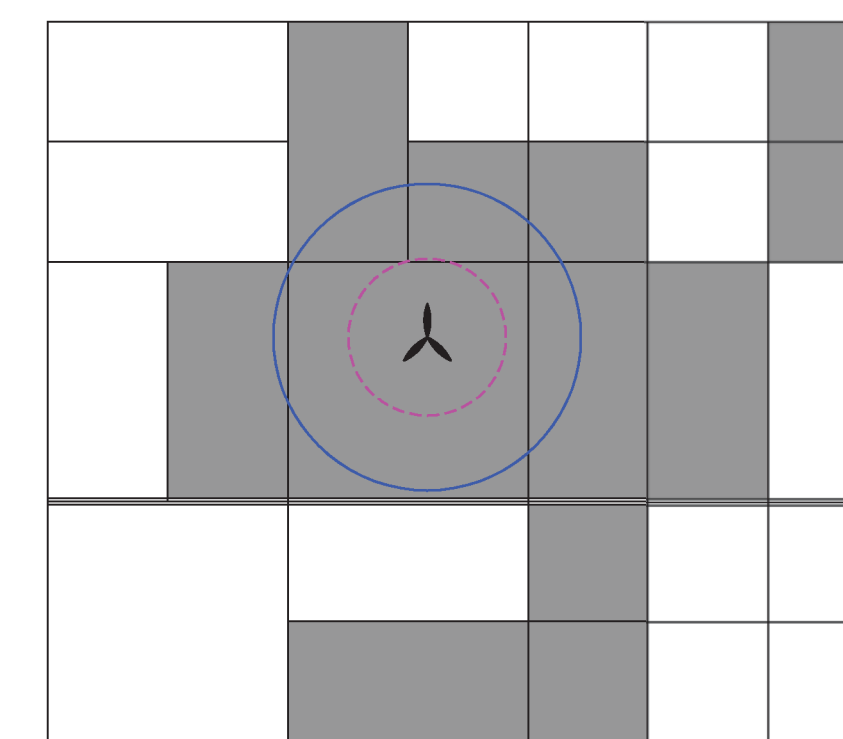


Access Roads



Collector Lines

### SETBACK WAIVERS



### GOOD NEIGHBOUR AGREEMENTS





# COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC BENEFITS

## TAX REVENUE

Increased contribution to Townships & County tax revenue & school boards.

## EMPLOYMENT

Employment opportunities during construction and operations phases of the project.

## CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

Economic offshoots for local businesses.

## LAND USE

Compatible use - both farming and operating wind project co-existing on the same parcel. Allows land to remain in agricultural use.

## CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Potential local infrastructure improvements for project & construction, such as upgrades to public roads used for project travel.

## CLEAN ELECTRICITY GENERATION

Green energy for equivalent capacity to power approximately 80,000 homes. Support State of Illinois targets to provide 100% Clean Energy by 2050.



## LOCAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

Liberty is always looking for ways to partner with the community through donations, community events, and sponsorships.

### Past Examples:

- Lions Club
- Fire Departments
- 4-H Fairs & Clubs
- County Fairs
- Foodbank Drives
- Sports Teams (i.e., Little League)
- Music Festivals
- Local Businesses
- United Way
- Hospital Foundations
- Scholarships
- Ride for Heart





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We appreciate you taking the time to  
come & learn about our proposed project!

## NEXT STEPS

Evaluate feedback from the community.  
Finalize land acquisition campaign.  
Plan for upcoming studies and surveys.

