

## Community Working Group Meeting # 14

Amherst Island Wind Energy Project / 160960595

Date/Time: April 30, 2018 / 6:45-8:45 PM  
 Place: Amherst Island Public School  
 Next Meeting: TBD  
 Attendees: Ariel Bautista (Windlectric), Tim Sullivan (Windlectric), Emily Hartwig (Stantec), Gwen Lauret (local resident), Larry Fleming (local resident), Janet Grace (local resident)  
 Absentees: Katy Potter (MOECC), Chris Raffael (MOECC), Leah Weller (Stantec)  
 Distribution: All Committee Members

**Safety Moment:** Facilitator invited CWG members to provide a safety moment.

Safety Moment: With the warm spring weather approaching, outdoor activities will once again commence. If you are planning an outdoor activity this time of year, the following tips are suggested: (1) wear weather appropriate clothing (2) plan ahead and notify someone of where you are going, and when you expect to return (3) pack sunscreen and bug-spray (4) stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water.

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<p><b>Review of Agenda and Action Items from CWG #13</b></p> <p>Action items from the March 27, 2018 meeting were reviewed. The status updates are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Video will be circulated to appropriate Windlectric staff (in relation to video that was noted to show traffic safety concern). The circulation of the video has been confirmed.</li> <li>2) Windlectric will respond to the individual who asked these questions (in relation to the submitted questions with regard to the Stage 2 Archeological Assessment, archeological assessments in general, road widening and trenching, etc.). Windlectric will respond directly to the individual.</li> <li>3) Windlectric will follow up with the individual to address the concerns (in relation to the use of the 1-800 number). Windlectric has reached out with a phone call – the individual will follow up if there are any further questions.</li> <li>4) Concerned people should contact the township. Windlectric will request to get the numbers from the ferry on how many cars are not getting on the ferry and when (in relation to concern that the</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Windlectric will respond to the individual directly.</li> </ol>

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<p>ferry is "clogged with worker's trucks coming to and leaving the island").</p> <p>All staff whom are allowed access refrain from using the ferry as much as possible. Staff have been carpooling and signage has been included in the windows of vehicles that do need to use the public ferry. A coordinator on site has set up a shuttle for construction staff (scheduling the time that workers need to come and go etc.).</p>	
<p><b>Company Updates</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) All turbines are scheduled to be installed by the end of May 2018. The next phase of the project will be testing the turbines (electrical components etc.).</li> <li>2) Two foundations need to be poured. These foundations are scheduled to be done this week (1<sup>st</sup> week of May); the other 24 foundations have been poured (slightly behind schedule due to the reduced load requirements, which end April 30<sup>th</sup>).</li> <li>3) Scheduled road closures are underway for the transport and delivery of the turbine blades.</li> <li>4) There are currently 3 cranes on the Island, with 1 more to be delivered.</li> <li>5) The transmission line is now up and roughly 97% complete.</li> <li>6) Connection from Hydro One to the mainland switchyard to be tested in the coming days.</li> <li>7) Four turbines to be installed along Stella Road (typically 10 trucks are required to transport each turbine). A construction notification flyer for this work has been provided to the impacted residents. Of these residents, 5 will encounter interruptions to their power during Hydro One work. These 5 residences have been offered generators during the scheduled power outages.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>Review of Submitted Questions</b></p> <p>Windlectric provided the CWG members with a log of all questions received by the company from members of the public from March 27<sup>th</sup>,</p>	

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<p>2018, through April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The facilitator read each of the questions aloud, and the company provided answers.</p> <p>Follow-up questions:</p> <p>Q.3. Would it have been easier to ship the turbine parts?</p> <p>A.3. Siemens (the turbine manufacturer) is responsible for the delivery of the parts. It is under their discretion. Regarding the ferry route and any disturbance to the route, the ferry captains are in consistent communication to ensure route deviation does not occur.</p> <p>Q. 5. What does it mean to create a new bird habitat?</p> <p>A. 5. Specific species of grasses are planted, as per the guidance from professional biologists. These grasses serve as new habitat areas for Bobolink, Eastern Meadowlark and Whippoorwill birds.</p> <p>Q.9. Do trucks ever drive down Emerald 40 Foot Road down to 3<sup>rd</sup> Concession Road?</p> <p>A.9. Monitoring vehicles (for environmental monitoring, transportation monitoring etc.) such as pick-up trucks are allowed to travel down these public roads. Heavy haul trucks are not permitted along these routes (3<sup>rd</sup> concession Road, Emerald 40 Foot Road, etc.).</p> <p>Q.13. How many times are the roads watered [to reduce dust].</p> <p>A.13. The roads are watered as often as needed. Windlectric is considering the use of calcium for dust reduction (confirmation has been received from the CRCA).</p>	
<p><b>CWG General Discussion and New Questions</b></p> <p>Q.1. How does wind speed impact the crane lifting the turbine parts?</p> <p>A.1. There are pre-determined wind speed limits and protocols that the crane operators must obey. Wind days have been factored into the construction schedule.</p>	

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<p>Q.2. What are the restrictions of work due to Blanding's turtles?            A.2. The Traffic Management Plan and Supplementary Spring Blandings Turtle Mitigation Protocol are being followed.</p> <p>Q.3. Is there a restriction to work on Sundays?            A.3. The Sunday work by-law was specifically amended at Windlectric's request to complete work under certain conditions, under which strict terms and conditions are required to be followed.</p> <p>Q.4. Question raised regarding a flag person directing traffic from inside their vehicle.            A.4. The flaggers are conducting their jobs within their rights, ensuring safety is top of mind.</p> <p>Q.5. Question raised regarding compliance with the noise-by law.            A.5. Windlectric will provide a link on the Project website to the noise by-law amendment.</p> <p>Q.6. Question regarding construction foreperson conduct, and notification of upcoming construction items.            A.6. A response will be provided to the individual.</p> <p>Q.7. Question regarding Blandings Turtles protocol and condition of the silt fending along 3<sup>rd</sup> Concession Road.            A.7. A response will be provided to the individual.</p> <p>Q.8. The Back Kitchen would like to note that staff (Windlectric and Pennecon) are welcome.            A.8. The message is and will continue to be relayed to staff.</p> <p>Q.9. When is the next CLC planned for?            A.9. The next CLC (#3) will likely take place during the second half of June and the last CLC (#4) will likely take place in October.</p>	<p>2. The amendment to the noise by-law will be posted to the Project website.</p> <p>3. Windlectric will provide a link on the Project website to the noise by-law amendment.</p> <p>4. A response will be provided to the individual.</p> <p>5. A response will be provided to the individual.</p>

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<p>Q.7. Do we have a date for the May CWG?            Q.7. The next CWG meeting will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Q.8. What donations have been made by Windlectric to Amherst Island and the surrounding community?            A.8. Donations have been made to the following: the Kingston General Hospital, the purchase of a "gator" for the Island, ongoing College bursary, donations to Amherst Public School. A publication detailing these donations is being planned and is in the works.</p>	
<p><b>The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM</b></p>	

The foregoing is considered to be a true and accurate record of items discussed. If any discrepancies or inconsistencies are noted, please contact the writer immediately.

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