

Amherst Island Wind Project 2023 Post-Construction Bat **Mortality Monitoring Report**

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Executive Summary

Natural Resource Solutions Inc. was retained to conduct a fifth year of post-construction bat monitoring at the operational Amherst Island Wind Project, located in Loyalist Township, Lennox and Addington County, Ontario. This wind energy facility has a generating capacity of 74.3MW and consists of 26 turbines in an agricultural landscape dominated by pasture. Occasional wooded habitats, wetlands, and aquatic features are also present in the areas surrounding the project infrastructure. This report provides the detailed methods and results from the fifth year of post-construction monitoring for bat mortality conducted at the Amherst Island Wind Project in 2023.

This fifth year of monitoring for bat mortalities was conducted as a result of the facility exceeding the provincial threshold of 10 bats/turbine/year in the 2020 monitoring year (10.15 bats/turbine/year). This monitoring year (2023) represents the third, and final, year of the three (3)-year (2021-2023) effectiveness monitoring program, after implementation of operational mitigation. Bird and raptor mortality data are not presented herein, as three (3) years of required baseline monitoring for bird and raptor mortality have already been completed (2019-2021), and any subsequent requirements are being addressed under separate cover.

During twice-weekly searches from May 1 to October 31, 2023, a total of nine (9) bat mortalities were documented within the search areas around the subset of 10 turbines. Bat mortalities of both migratory and resident species were documented, including Hoary Bat (*Lasiurus cinereus*), Silver-haired Bat (*Lasionycteris noctivagans*), Eastern Red Bat (*Lasiurus borealis*), and Big Brown Bat (*Eptesicus fuscus*). The first three (3) species above are considered long-distance migratory species which over-winter outside of Ontario, and accounted for 89% of the total bat mortality observations at the Amherst Island Wind Project in 2023. Using correction factors for searcher efficiency, scavenger removal, and proportion of area searched, an estimated bat mortality rate of 2.50 bats/turbine/year (0.87 bats/MW/year) was determined for the Amherst Island Wind Project. This is below the provincial threshold of 10 bats/turbine/year.

With the completion of a full three (3)-years of bat effectiveness monitoring without exceeding the provincial threshold, the Project has met the requirements of condition K6 of the Renewable Energy Approval (No. 7123-9W9NH2), and no further monitoring of bat mortality is required.

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1.0 Introduction

Natural Resource Solutions Inc. (NRSI) was retained to conduct a fifth year of postconstruction bat monitoring at the operational Amherst Island Wind Project (Amherst Island WP), which is located within Loyalist Township in Lennox and Addington County, Ontario. The Amherst Island WP consists of 26 wind energy generating turbines with a total nameplate capacity of 74.3MW. The project area and turbine locations can be seen on Map 1.

Post-construction mortality monitoring at the Amherst Island WP in 2023 included bat mortality monitoring, searcher efficiency trials, scavenger removal trials, and visibility class mapping of substrates searched. These surveys were conducted in accordance with provincial guidelines and project approval conditions to assess the potential impacts of this wind energy generating facility on local and migratory bat species.

The purpose of this report is to provide the detailed methods and results from the fifth year of post-construction mortality monitoring conducted at the Amherst Island WP. It also reflects the third year of the three (3)-year (2021-2023) effectiveness monitoring program, specific to bats, as a result of the Amherst Island WP exceeding the provincial threshold of 10 bats/turbine/year in 2020, and implementing operational mitigation beginning during the 2021 monitoring year. Bird and raptor mortality data is not presented herein, as three (3) years of required baseline monitoring for birds and raptors has already been completed (2019-2021), and any subsequent requirements are being addressed under separate cover.

For the purposes of this report, NRSI will frequently use the terms 'mortality' and 'carcass'. The term 'mortality' will refer to dead bats that were found in the vicinity of turbines at the Amherst Island WP. The term 'carcass' will refer to dead birds and bats that have been placed beneath wind turbines by NRSI staff for the purposes of searcher efficiency and/or scavenger removal trials.

2.0 Mortality Monitoring Methodology

2.1 Mortality Monitoring

2.1.1 Sample Locations

Since the Amherst Island WP consists of more than 10 turbines, a subset of at least 30% of turbines (minimum 10 turbines) is required to be monitored (OMNR 2011). In accordance with these requirements, a subset of 10 turbines (38.5%) was selected by Stantec Consulting Ltd. in consultation with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF; Stantec 2013). NRSI conducted mortality monitoring at the subset of 10 turbines in 2023, following the monitoring period and search frequency described below. The subset of turbines that were monitored at the Amherst Island WP in 2023 is shown on Map 1.

2.1.2 Monitoring Period and Search Frequency

NRSI conducted twice-weekly (i.e. three (3) and four (4) day intervals) mortality monitoring for bats at the subset of 10 turbines during the entire monitoring period of May 1 to October 31, 2023. For the purposes of this monitoring program, searches in May and June are considered to have been completed in Spring, July and August in Summer, and September and October in Fall.

As a result of inclement weather, access issues, and turbine maintenance, some turbines could not be searched on certain monitoring dates. These relatively minor adjustments to the monitoring protocol are not expected to impact the overall results or the conclusions presented in this report. The dates when turbines were not able to be searched are listed in Table 1.

| Date (2023) | Date Turbine Next Searched (2023) ¹ | Turbine(s) | Rationale |
|--------------|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| July 13 | July 14 | S02, S07, S14, S18, S28, S36 | Inclement weather (Thunderstorms) |
| August 10 | August 14 | S18, S28 | Inclement weather (Thunderstorms) |
| August 24 | August 25 | S36 | Turbine inaccessible |
| September 21 | September 25 | S18 | Turbine maintenance |

Table 1. Summary of Regular Search Days When Turbines Could Not Be Searched (2023)

¹ Due to a variety of factors which may include weather conditions, the location of the project, and/or staff availability, some turbines could not be searched again until the next regularly scheduled search day.

2.1.3 Sample Area and Survey Duration

NRSI conducted mortality searches within a 50m radius of each turbine. Mortality searches were conducted using linear transects, spaced approximately 5m apart. Any mortality that was incidentally observed beyond the formal search parameters was still documented, photographed, and collected, but is not included in formal calculations of estimated mortality rates and is not discussed further in this report. In order to maintain a consistent search effort, mortality searches followed a consistent search time of 30 minutes per turbine throughout the entirety of the monitoring period.

2.1.4 Data Collection

During each visit to conduct mortality searches, all appropriate information was documented, including weather conditions, date, time, and observer. The mortality monitoring data collection sheet has been provided in Appendix I.

In addition to general information collected on each visit, a variety of specific information was recorded upon encountering any mortality. This detailed information collected for each mortality, as shown on the data sheet provided in Appendix I, included species (if identifiable), sex of the individual (if identifiable), condition, estimated time since death, any apparent injuries, direction and distance from the turbine, substrate type and visibility class, and a unique mortality identification number for future reference. Specific UTM coordinates and photographs were also taken for each specimen to allow for further analysis, if necessary.

2.2 Scavenger Removal Trials

Scavenger removal trials were conducted in each of the Spring, Summer, and Fall seasons of mortality monitoring. A minimum of 10 carcasses were placed in each monitoring season. No more than five (5) carcasses were placed at one time and no more than one (1) carcass was placed at any single turbine during each placement event. These measures were taken to minimize potential bias that might result from saturation of carcasses and the resulting attraction of scavengers. Carcasses were placed throughout the range of habitats and substrate types being searched during each season. Species, UTM coordinates, direction and distance from the turbine, substrate, and visibility class were all noted on a data sheet during the placement of each specimen. The scavenger removal data sheet has been provided in Appendix I.

Carcasses placed included both bird and bat specimens, with each trial consisting of at least one-third representation of each of bird and bat carcasses. Bird carcasses included species commonly encountered in this region of the province and ranged in size from very small to moderate-sized carcasses. Migratory bat carcasses were used in each seasonal scavenger removal trial and included Hoary Bat (*Lasiurus cinereus*), Eastern Red Bat (*Lasiurus borealis*), and Silver-haired Bat (*Lasionycteris noctivagans*). Carcasses used in scavenger removal trials were obtained from the Royal Ontario Museum and/or were collected from operational wind energy facilities within Ontario. A list of the bird and bat species used during scavenger removal trials has been provided in Appendix II.

During each scavenger removal trial, the bird and bat carcasses were left for up to 14 days and were checked at the same frequency as mortality searches, approximately twice per week, to note any scavenging or signs of scavenger presence. Following completion of the scavenger removal trials after 14 days, all remaining test carcasses were retrieved and disposed of appropriately.

2.3 Searcher Efficiency Trials

In conjunction with mortality searches, NRSI conducted searcher efficiency trials on staff that conducted mortality searches at the Amherst Island WP. Similar to scavenger removal trials, searcher efficiency trials must be conducted at least once per season (Spring, Summer, and Fall), and must be conducted for each searcher and in each visibility class that was searched by that searcher during that season. During each trial, searchers were tested without their knowledge through the placement of a minimum of 10 test carcasses per visibility class searched (class 1 and 2), with no more than three (3) carcasses placed on any one date. Carcasses were placed randomly within the search radius throughout the subset of 10 turbines at the Amherst Island WP. Distance and direction from the turbine, visibility class and substrate type, and UTM coordinates were recorded for each test carcasse placed. Each found specimen was later compared to the total number of carcasses placed within the project area and the locations of their placement. The data sheet used for searcher efficiency trials has been provided in Appendix I.

In order to meet the understood intent of the MNRF guidelines (OMNR 2011) to limit searcher bias, NRSI has not physically marked carcasses at this project, as it could influence the results of the trial and alert the searcher to an ongoing searcher efficiency trial. Instead, NRSI biologists collect detailed location information of the trial carcass with date placed, UTM coordinates, distance and direction from the turbine, and mapped location of the carcass. All collected carcasses are compared to these detailed date, location and species information to distinguish between trial carcasses and actual turbine mortalities. These steps have been taken to ensure that the location of the carcass, along with species information, is well-documented for future reference if there is uncertainty about whether or not an observed carcass is a turbine-related fatality or a trial carcass.

Searcher efficiency carcasses included both bird and bat specimens, with each trial consisting of at least one-third representation of each of bird and bat carcasses. Bird carcasses used in the searcher efficiency trials included species commonly encountered in this region of the province and varied in size from very small to moderate-sized carcasses. Bat carcasses used during searcher efficiency trials consisted of the three (3) migratory species known to occur within Ontario, including Hoary Bat, Eastern Red Bat, and Silver-haired Bat. Carcasses used in searcher efficiency trials were obtained from the Royal Ontario Museum and/or were collected from operational wind energy facilities within Ontario. A list of the bird and bat species used during searcher efficiency trials has been provided in Appendix III.

2.4 Proportion of Area Searched

Following MNRF guidelines, visibility class maps were completed by searchers at a minimum frequency of once per season (OMNR 2011). Due to the potential for changing conditions, NRSI completed visibility class maps once per month from May to October to provide additional information to increase the accuracy of the estimated mortality rates.

Visibility class mapping was completed for the 50m search radius at each turbine. This mapping categorized habitats according to visibility classes recommended by the MNRF (OMNR 2011). These include visibility classes 1 through 4, in addition to areas which may be deemed "unsearchable", such as aquatic features, areas deemed safety

hazards, or other areas where searching was not possible. Mapping of these visibility classes within each search radius was conducted and calculated as per a repeatable methodology using a combination of these visibility class field maps, review of aerial photographs, and use of Geographic Information System (GIS) software. The data sheet used to record visibility class mapping has been provided in Appendix I.

In order to help increase the accuracy of searcher efficiency rates and minimize the influence of the proportion of area searched on the bat mortality estimate, the majority of the search radii at the subset of 10 turbines were maintained at visibility class 1 and 2 through occasional mowing, as needed, for the duration of the growing season (May through October). When small and temporary areas of other visibility classes were present, they were searched thoroughly until scheduled vegetation maintenance could occur. As a result, the majority of the 50m radius at each turbine was searched for the duration of the 2023 monitoring period. Some areas were determined to reflect visibility classes 3 and 4), such as hedgerows. In these cases, the appropriate proportion of area searched was calculated and used for final mortality estimates. Visibility class maps of each turbine in each month are provided in Appendix VI.

Maintenance of the 50m search radius was only completed when necessary to maintain appropriate visibility and it also followed a strict schedule developed by NRSI that ensured the maintenance activities were completed in a manner to minimize or eliminate any potential negative influence on the mortality monitoring, searcher efficiency trials and scavenger removal trials. The maintenance of the search areas is expected to increase the accuracy of the final estimated mortality rates at the Amherst Island WP.

3.0 Scavenger Removal Trial Results

Scavenging activity at the Amherst Island WP was generally moderate during the Spring and Summer monitoring seasons, and high during the Fall monitoring season. Table 2 shows the results from the seasonal scavenger removal trials conducted at the Amherst Island WP. Details on the date placed, species, distance and direction from turbine, visibility class, dates checked and by whom, UTM coordinates, and whether the carcass was scavenged have been provided in Appendix II.

| Number of Carcasses Remaining | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| Spring Tri | Spring Trial (May/June) | | | | | |
| Turbine | Visit 0 | Visit 1 | Visit 2 | Visit 3 | Visit 4 | |
| S01 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S02 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S03 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S05 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S07 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| S18 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| S22 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S28 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S36 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total | 10 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| Summer T | Frial (July/A | ugust) | | | | |
| Turbine | Visit 0 | Visit 1 | Visit 2 | Visit 3 | Visit 4 | |
| S01 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | |
| S02 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| S03 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S05 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| S07 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| S18 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S22 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S28 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S36 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Total | 10 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | |
| Fall Trial (| Fall Trial (September/October) | | | | | |
| Turbine | Visit 0 | Visit 1 | Visit 2 | Visit 3 | Visit 4 | |
| S01 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| S02 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

 Table 2. Number of Carcasses Remaining During Scavenger Removal Trials at the Amherst

 Island WP (2023)

| Number of Carcasses Remaining | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----|---|---|---|---|
| S03 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| S05 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| S07 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| S14 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| S18 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| S22 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| S28 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| S36 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 10 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

To address the scavenger removal rates for each of the specific monitoring periods,

NRSI has used the following equation recommended by the MNRF:

 $Sc = \frac{n_{visit1} + n_{visit2} + n_{visit3...}}{n_{visit0} + n_{visit1} + n_{visit2...}}$

Sc: proportion of carcasses not removed by scavengers n_{visit0} : total number of carcasses placed $n_{visit1} - n_{visit3}$...: numbers of carcasses remaining on visits 1 through 3 etc.

Using the scavenger removal results presented in Table 2, and the equation provided by the MNRF, the seasonal scavenger removal rates have been determined as follows:

| Sc _{Spring} | = (3 + 2 + 2 + 2) / (10 + 3 + 2 + 2) = 9 / 17 = 0.53 |
|----------------------|--|
| Sc _{Summer} | = (6 + 5 + 5 + 4) / (10 + 6 + 5 + 5) = 20 / 26 = 0.77 |
| Sc _{Fall} | = (1 + 1 + 1 + 1) / (10 + 1 + 1 + 1) = 4 / 13 = 0.31 |

The above scavenger removal rates represent the proportion of carcasses still remaining from one visit to the next. These values generally represent moderate scavenging activity during the Spring and Summer monitoring seasons, and high scavenging activity during the Fall monitoring season. The above scavenger removal rates will be used to calculate the estimated bat mortality rate in Section 6.0.

4.0 Searcher Efficiency Trial Results

Searcher efficiency rates at the Amherst Island WP during the 2023 monitoring season were generally high in each of the Spring, Summer, and Fall. Results of the seasonal searcher efficiency trials are summarized in Table 3. Details on the searcher and tester, species, distance and direction from turbine, habitat, substrate, visibility class, UTM coordinates, and whether the carcass was found or scavenged have been provided in Appendix III.

| Searcher | Carcasses Found | Carcasses Placed | Carcasses Scavenged | Searcher Efficiency | Proportion of Turbines Searched | | |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Spring 2023 | Spring 2023 | | | | | | |
| Searcher A | 16 | 23 | 5 | 0.89 | 1.0 | | |
| Summer 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Searcher A | 13 | 21 | 6 | 0.87 | 1.0 | | |
| Fall 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Searcher A | 14 | 21 | 5 | 0.88 | 1.0 | | |

Table 3. Results of Searcher Efficiency Trials at the Amherst Island WP (2023)

Based on the information collected during detailed searcher efficiency trials and the equations recommended by the MNRF, overall searcher efficiency (SeO) was calculated for each of the monitoring seasons as follows:

Se = $\frac{\text{number of test carcasses found}}{\text{number of test carcasses placed} - \text{number of carcasses scavenged}}$

SeO = Se_A(proportion of turbines searched) + Se_B(proportion of turbines searched)...

SeO_{Spring} = 0.89 (1.0) = **0.89**

 $SeO_{Summer} = 0.87 (1.0) = 0.87$

SeO_{Fall} = 0.88 (1.0) = **0.88**

These searcher efficiency values represent generally high efficiency rates, likely due to the steps taken to keep the search areas in low visibility classes (i.e., clear and more easily searched) to increase the accuracy of the estimated mortality rate. These values will be used to calculate the estimated bat mortality rate in Section 6.0.

5.0 Proportion of Area Searched

Visibility class mapping was completed every month from May to October within the 50m search radius of each of the 10 subset turbines in order to reflect any changes in groundcover and resulting visibility classes. All visibility class maps have been provided in Appendix VI.

Visibility class mapping was used in combination with GIS software to determine the specific area and sizes of each of the applicable visibility classes identified with the turbine search areas. During the 2023 monitoring program, NRSI searched all areas of visibility class 1 and 2, which is reflected in the proportion of area searched (Ps) calculated for all 10 turbines during each of those monitoring months, as shown in Table 4. These values will be used to calculate the estimated bat mortality rate in Section 6.0.

| Month (2023) | Total Searched Area (m ²) | Total Search Radius (m²) | Proportion of Area Searched (Ps) |
|-----------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| May | 78,167 | 78,500 | 1.00 |
| June | 78,167 | 78,500 | 1.00 |
| July | 78,167 | 78,500 | 1.00 |
| August | 78,167 | 78,500 | 1.00 |
| September | 78,167 | 78,500 | 1.00 |
| October | 78,167 | 78,500 | 1.00 |

6.0 Bat Mortality Results

6.1 Bat Mortalities

During the 2023 mortality monitoring period at the Amherst Island WP, NRSI documented nine (9) bat mortalities within the 50m search radius of the subset of 10 turbines. Bat mortalities represented four (4) different species, including the resident species Big Brown Bat (*Eptesicus fuscus*) as well as all three (3) long-distance migratory species; Hoary Bat, Eastern Red Bat, and Silver-haired Bat. The most abundant species observed were Silver-haired Bat (n=3) and Hoary Bat (n=3), followed by Eastern Red Bat (n=2), and Big Brown Bat (n=1). Observed mortalities of the three (3) migratory bat species combine to represent 89% of all documented mortalities.

A detailed examination of bat mortalities at the Amherst Island WP is included in the following sections. Detailed information regarding each bat mortality observed during carcass searches has been provided in Appendix IV.

6.2 Temporal Distribution of Bat Mortalities

Bat mortalities were observed throughout the majority of the monitoring period, occurring from mid-June to early October, but were most commonly observed during the month of September (n=4) which accounted for 44% of all bat mortalities. No more than two (2) bat mortalities were observed on a single search date (see Figure 1).



Figure 1. Bat Mortalities Observed by Date at the Amherst Island WP (2023)

6.3 Spatial Distribution of Bat Mortalities

Bat mortalities were observed at four (4) of the 10 subset turbines at the Amherst Island WP in 2023. The number of mortalities observed at each of the 10 turbines ranged from zero (0) mortalities at turbines S02, S05, S07, S14, S28, and S18, to four (4) mortalities at turbine S22 (Figure 2).



Figure 2. Bat Mortalities Observed by Turbine at the Amherst Island WP (2023)

Distance and direction of bat mortalities from each of the turbines were also documented for each observed mortality. Bat mortalities were found throughout the area searched by NRSI biologists, ranging in distance from 14m to 48m from the turbine, and averaging approximately 35m from the turbine. The overall distribution of mortalities by distance class can be seen in Figure 3. Maps identifying the locations of each observed mortality by turbine are included in Appendix V.



Figure 3. Bat Mortalities Observed by Distance from Turbine at the Amherst Island WP (2023)

6.4 Corrected (Estimated) Bat Mortality

Based on the field observations at the Amherst Island WP, NRSI biologists have compiled the appropriate searcher efficiency trials, scavenger removal trials, proportion of area searched, and direct mortality values in an equation that will be used to estimate the total bat mortality at the Amherst Island WP in 2023. The equation recommended by the MNRF is found below:

C = c / (Se*Sc*Ps)

- C: Corrected (Estimated) Mortality Rate
- c: actual observed mortalities
- Se: overall searcher efficiency
- Sc: proportion of remaining carcasses
- Ps: proportion of area searched

Using the equation and variables described above, the estimated bat mortality rates by month have been presented below:

| C _{May} | = 0 / (0.89*0.53*1.00) = 0 / 0.4717 = 0.00 bats = 0.00 bats/turbine (0.00 bats/MW) |
|------------------------|--|
| CJune | = 1 / (0.89*0.53*1.00) = 1 / 0.4717 = 2.12 bats = 0.21 bats/turbine (0.07 bats/MW) |
| CJuly | = 3 / (0.87*0.77*1.00) = 3 / 0.6699 = 4.48 bats = 0.45 bats/turbine (0.16 bats/MW) |
| CAugust | = 0 / (0.87*0.77*1.00) = 0 / 0.6699 = 0.00 bats = 0.00 bats/turbine (0.00 bats/MW) |
| C _{September} | = 4 / (0.88*0.31*1.00) = 4 / 0.2728 = 14.66 bats = 1.47 bats/turbine (0.51 bats/MW) |
| C _{October} | = 1 / (0.88*0.31*1.00) = 1 / 0.2728 = 3.67 bats = 0.37 bats/turbine (0.13 bats/MW) |
| Total | = 2.50 bats/turbine (0.87 bats/MW) |

Using the appropriate variables and recommended equations provided by the MNRF, NRSI has determined the corrected (estimated) bat mortality of the Amherst Island WP in 2023. Each of the corrected monthly rates and the corrected annual mortality rate for the Amherst Island WP can be seen in Table 5.

| Month (2023) | Observed Bat Mortalities | Corrected Mortality (bats/turbine) | Corrected Mortality (bats/MW) |
|--------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| May | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| June | 1 | 0.21 | 0.07 |
| July | 3 | 0.45 | 0.16 |
| August | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| September | 4 | 1.47 | 0.51 |
| October | 1 | 0.37 | 0.13 |
| TOTAL | 9 | 2.50 | 0.87 |

| Table 5. Corrected Bat Mortality Rates Based on Mortality Monitoring | at the Amherst Island |
|--|-----------------------|
| WP (2023) | |

Based on the information collected during the 2023 post-construction monitoring period, the anticipated impact of this facility on bats is characterized by a corrected mortality rate of **2.50 bats/turbine/year** (0.87 bats/MW/year).

7.0 Comparative Annual Results

Mortality monitoring conducted by NRSI in 2023 represents the fifth year of postconstruction monitoring conducted at the Amherst Island WP, and the third, and final, year of the three (3)-year (2021-2023) effectiveness monitoring program, after the implementation of operational mitigation measures prior to the 2021 monitoring season. In each of the three (3) years of effectiveness monitoring, the estimated bat mortality rate has remained below the provincial threshold of 10 bats/turbine/year. The following section provides a comparison of the 2019-2023 post-construction mortality monitoring results.

Table 6 below provides an abbreviated summary of total bat mortalities, monitoring periods, and corrected (estimated) mortality rates for each of the five (5) years of mortality monitoring conducted to-date at the Amherst Island WP. Further details of the 2023 bat mortality results can be found in Section 6.0 of this report.

| Voar | Total | Monitoring Poriod | Estimated Mortality Rates | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| Tear | Mortalities | Monitoring Period | Bats/Turbine/Year | Bats/MW/Year | | | | |
| 2019 | 35 | May 1 – October 31 | 5.36 | 1.88 | | | | |
| 2020 | 45 | May 1 – October 31 | 10.15 | 3.59 | | | | |
| 2021 ¹ | 66 | May 1 – October 31 | 9.77 | 3.41 | | | | |
| 2022 ¹ | 44 | May 1 – October 31 | 8.98 | 3.13 | | | | |
| 2023 ¹ | 9 | May 1 – October 31 | 2.50 | 0.87 | | | | |

 Table 6. Comparative Results of Bat Mortality Monitoring Seasons (2019-2023)

¹ Following exceedance of the bat threshold in 2020, operational mitigation was implemented according to Project approval conditions and provincial guidelines in subsequent monitoring years.

Although a general comparison between the five (5) years of post-construction monitoring data is possible, the differences in searcher efficiency rates, scavenger removal rates, and proportion area searched over these five (5) monitoring years may limit the value of any direct comparative analysis of observed mortalities. Local bat abundance and behaviour will also change annually based on other variables, such as weather conditions, adjacent land uses, food availability, or general variations in local abundance or behaviour patterns, further adding to the challenges of making direct comparisons between monitoring years. In addition, the approach to turbine operation has changed throughout the monitoring years (2019-2023). Beginning in 2021, operational mitigation was implemented, which included feathering all turbine blades below wind speeds of 5.5 m/s from sunset to sunrise during the period of July 15 to

September 30, in accordance with project approval conditions and MNRF guidelines (OMNR 2011). Consideration of operational mitigation further adds to the challenges of making direct comparisons between monitoring years.

Despite these comparative challenges, general comparisons between the monitoring years show that following a corrected bat mortality rate of 10.15 bats/turbine/year during the 2020 monitoring year, the corrected rate has since decreased in each subsequent monitoring year, with 2023 representing the lowest number of bat mortalities and the lowest corrected bat mortality rate observed at the project to-date. This decrease is expected, at least in part, to correspond to the implementation of operational mitigation, which began in 2021, and appears to have successfully maintained bat mortality levels below the provincial threshold of 10 bats/turbine/year during the three (3)-year effectiveness monitoring period. Operational mitigation will continue to be implemented throughout the life of the Project.

8.0 Mortality Thresholds and Notifications

In accordance with the appropriate MNRF guidelines, project approval conditions, and other commitments made as part of the monitoring program, there are mortality thresholds and notification requirements for the Amherst Island WP, which may warrant regulatory notification based on the observed results. The status of each threshold and confirmation of notifications, where applicable, have been described in the following sections.

8.1 Annual Bat Mortality

The annual bat mortality threshold for the Amherst Island WP is 10 bats/turbine/year. Based on an estimated rate of **2.50 bats/turbine/year**, the Amherst Island WP remains below this threshold. Since the results are below the established threshold, no notification is required, and no further mortality monitoring for bats is required at the Project.

8.2 Species at Risk Mortality Event

Any Species at Risk (SAR; MECP 2023) mortality documented during post-construction mortality monitoring at the Amherst Island WP requires formal notification to the MNRF and MECP within 24 hours (or next business day) of a confirmed species identification. In accordance with this requirement, notifications were sent to the MNRF and MECP within 24 hours (or next business day) following a confirmed identification of any SAR mortality at the Amherst Island WP, as applicable. Any SAR mortalities that are discovered at the Project in subsequent years, whether incidentally or as a result of standardized monitoring, will follow the notification protocols indicated above.

9.0 Summary and Conclusions

NRSI was retained to conduct the fifth year of post-construction bat monitoring at the operational Amherst Island WP. The Amherst Island WP consists of 26 wind energy generating turbines, with a total nameplate capacity of 74.3MW.

Post-construction monitoring at the Amherst Island WP in 2023 included bat mortality monitoring and the corresponding searcher efficiency trials, scavenger removal trials, and visibility class mapping required to calculate estimated mortality rates. These surveys were conducted to assess the potential impacts of this wind energy generating facility on local and migratory bats. Monitoring in 2023 also represents the third, and final, year of the three (3)-year (2021-2023) effectiveness monitoring program, specific to bats, which is required as a result of exceeding the provincial threshold in 2020.

A total of nine (9) bat mortalities were documented during the 2023 mortality monitoring period at the Amherst Island WP. Migratory bat species were the most commonly observed mortalities at the project. Based on the number of observed bat mortalities, searcher efficiency rates, scavenger removal rates, proportion of area searched, and equations recommended by the MNRF, a corrected (estimated) bat mortality rate of **2.50 bats/turbine/year** (0.87 bats/MW/year) has been determined for the Amherst Island WP. This estimated bat mortality rate is below the provincial threshold level of 10 bats/turbine/year established by the MNRF guidelines.

This report summarizes the results of the third year of effectiveness monitoring for bat mortality at the Amherst Island WP, which occurred in 2023. All three (3) years of effectiveness monitoring (2021, 2022, and 2023) resulted in estimated mortality rates for bats that were below the associated provincial threshold. Based on the requirements of the MNRF guidelines (OMNR 2011), and the project's Renewable Energy Approval (No. 7123-9W9NH2), post-construction commitments related to bat mortality have been fulfilled, and no further monitoring associated with bats is required, per the Project's approval conditions and associated regulatory guidelines.

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Maps





Appendix I Post-construction Monitoring Data Sheets

Bird and Bat Mortality Search Summary

| Date (dd/mm/yy):// | _ Observer(s): | | Project Name: | | Project No: |
|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Start Time (24hrs):hrs | | Dog Used? Y N | Days | s Since Last Search (<i>i.e. Mon t</i> c | o <i>Thurs = 3 days</i>):days |
| WEATHER Temp:°C Visibility: High Medium Low | Cloud Cover: % Precip: None Rai | Wind Spe | ed: Weather Comments: | Wind Direction (from): | (use N,SW, etc.) |
| , , | | 5 | Significant Weather before visit? | | |
| COMMENTS (ex. wildlife notes, lar | ndowner interactions, turbine | naintenance, unsearchal | ole areas, etc.) | | |

| SEARC | H RESI | JLTS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|---------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|--------------------------|----------------------|----|-----------------------------|----------|-------------------|----|-----------------|
| Schee | duled S | earch | Mortality Results. | Enter "None" if no mort | alities | found. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Turbine # | Start Time | End Time | Sample ID (PROJ#- DDMMYY-TXX- | Species Found | Bat FA | Sex (M/F) | U | ГМ | Dist. from Turbine | Dir. from Turbine | сс | Est. Time Since Death | Injuries | Substrate/Habitat | vc | Photo No.(s) |
| | (24nr) | (24nr) | Mortality No.) | | (mm) | . , | Easting | Northing | (m) | (*) | | (hrs) | | | | . , |
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CC = Condition Codes: I: Injured or Dying, F: Fresh, E: Early Decomposition, M: Moderate Decomposition, A: Advanced Decomposition, C: Complete Decomposition, S: Scavenged

Injuries: Describe any injuries to the bird carcass (e.g. none observed, broken neck, broken left wing, decapitated, laceration etc.)

Substrate/Habitat Types: The material upon which the carcass was found (ex. gravel, soy, corn, open soil, mud, standing water, concrete etc.)

VC = Visibility Class Codes: Class 1: >90% bare ground, <15cm tall Class 2: >25% bare ground, <15cm tall Class 3: < 25% bare ground, <25% >30cm tall Class 4: little or no bare ground, >25% >30cm tall

FA (mm) = Forearm Length (mm): Measure the length of the leading edge of the wing between the wrist and the elbow (mm)

Scavenger Removal Data Form

Project Name:_____

Project #: _____

| Visit # | Day | Date | Obs. | Temp (°C) | Wind Speed | Wind Direction | Precip. | Visibility | Cloud Cover (%) | Cloud Height |
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| Searcher Efficiency | Data Form | Project Name | Project Name: | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Date: | Time:hrs | | Searcher: | Placed By: | | | | |
| Condition of Carcasses: | Fresh Thawed | Carcasses marked (and how)? | | | | | | |
| WEATHER Temp: °C | *Wind Speed: | Wind Direction (<i>from</i>): | Visibility: High Medium | Low | | | | |
| Cloud Cover (%): | Cloud Height: High Me | dium Low Precipitation: | Rain Fog Snow None | | | | | |
| Additional Weather or Otl | her Comments: | | | | | | | |

| | Time Placed (24hr) | Turbine # | Species | Distance From Turbine | Direction from Turbine | Habitat/ Substrate | Visibility Class | UTM | Found By Searcher (Y/N) | Scavenged (Y/N) |
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*Beaufort Wind Scale: 0 calm; 1 smoke drifts; 2 wind felt on face; 3 leaves in motion; 4 small branches move; 5 small trees sway; 6 large branches move; 7 whole trees in motion; 8 twigs break off and hard to walk; 9 light structural damage; 10 tree uprooted

Placement Location Sketches (Draw access road for each sketch)

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Visibility Class Map



| VISIBILITY CLASSES | |
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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall |
| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall |
| Class 3 | ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats |

Appendix II Scavenger Removal Trial Results

Appendix II 2121K Amherst Island WP 2023 Scavenger Removal Trial Results

Spring (May/June)

| Carcass | Turbino | Encoine | Distance from | Direction from | UTM (Zo | I (Zone 18T) Visibility Test Day | | Dete | Carcass | Signo of Securating | Tester | |
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| Number | Turbine | Species | Turbine (m) | Turbine (°) | Easting | Northing | Class | Test Day | Date | Present | Signs of Scavenging | rester |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 01-May-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 04-May-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 1 | S01 | Golden-crowned Kinglet | 13 | 35 | 359178 | 4889565 | 1 | Day 7 | 08-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 11-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 15-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 01-May-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 04-May-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 2 | S02 | Hoary Bat | 42 | 330 | 366466 | 4890411 | 2 | Day 7 | 08-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 11-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 15-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 01-May-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 04-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| 3 | S14 | Eastern Red Bat | 33 | 55 | 366815 | 4891185 | 1 | Day 7 | 08-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 11-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 15-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 01-May-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 04-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| 4 | 4 S18 European S | European Starling | 15 | 110 | 367624 | 4892192 | 1 | Day 7 | 08-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 11-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 15-May-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| | | | | | 361426 | 4890656 | 6 2 | Day 0 | 01-May-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | 290 | | | | Day 3 | 04-May-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 5 | S22 | Black-capped Chickadee | 16 | | | | | Day 7 | 08-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 11-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 15-May-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | 340 | | | | Day 0 | 05-Jun-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | ıt 21 | | 361253 | 4887456 | | Day 3 | 08-Jun-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| 6 | S03 | Eastern Red Bat | | | | | 1 | Day 7 | 12-Jun-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| | | Edototod Edit | | | | | | Day 10 | 15-Jun-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 19-Jun-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 05-Jun-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 08-Jun-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 7 | S05 | Ovenbird | 12 | 15 | 362665 | 4888897 | 1 | Day 7 | 12-Jun-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | 1000001 | | Day 10 | 15-Jun-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 19-Jun-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 05-Jun-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 08-Jun-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 8 | S07 | Hoary Bat | 25 | 90 | 366837 | 4891648 | 2 | Day 7 | 12-Jun-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| - | - | , | | | | | | Day 10 | 15-Jun-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 19-Jun-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 05-Jun-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 08-Jun-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 9 | S28 | Black-throated Green Warbler | 41 | 190 | 369097 | 4893087 | 2 | Day 7 | 12-Jun-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| Ŭ | 020 | | | | | 1000001 | - | Day 10 | 15- Jun-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 19- Jun-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 05- Jun-23 | Y | Carcase placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 08- Jun-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| 10 | \$36 | Eastern Kingbird | 20 | 160 | 364600 | 1888380 | 2 | Day 7 | 12- lun-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| 10 | 000 | Eastern Hingbild | 20 | 100 | 004000 | 4000000 | - | Day 10 | 15- Jun-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 10-Jun 22 | N | - | Searchor A |
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| Summer | (July/August) | |
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| Number Turbine (m) Turbine (n) Turbine (n) Easting Northing Class Test Day Date Present Stights of Scavering Very Very <t< th=""><th>Searcher A</th></t<> | Searcher A |
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| Day 0 03-Jul-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | Searcher A |
| Day 3 Uo-Jul-23 Y None | Ocarcher A |
| 1 S01 Golden-crowned Kinglet 39 190 359184 4889514 1 Day 7 10-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 10 13-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 14 17-Jul-23 N Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| Day 0 03-Jul-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 06-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| 2 S02 Eastern Red Bat 10 280 366477 4890370 1 Day 7 10-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 10 13-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 14 17-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 0 03-Jul-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 06-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| 3 S05 Hoary Bat 29 10 362660 4888913 2 Day 7 10-Jul-23 Y Scavenging of carcass by No observed; wing mis: | ern Harrier g Searcher A |
| Day 10 13-Jul-23 Y No further signs | Searcher A |
| Day 14 17-Jul-23 Y No further signs | Searcher A |
| Day 0 03-Jul-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 06-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| 4 S14 American Woodcock 48 40 366826 4891195 1 Day 7 10-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 10 13-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 14 17-Jul-23 Y None | Searcher A |
| Day 0 03-Jul-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 06-Jul-23 N Carcass remove | Searcher A |
| 5 S22 Cedar Waxwing 36 120 361481 4890641 2 Day 7 10-Jul-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Dav 10 13-Jul-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 14 17-Jul-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 0 07-Aug-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 10-Aug-23 N Carcass remove | Searcher A |
| 6 S03 Hoary Bat 41 120 361297 4887419 1 Day 7 14-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 10 17-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 14 21-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 0 07-Aug-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 10-Aug-23 Y Carcass partially scavenged; | ng missing Searcher A |
| 7 S07 Eastern Red Bat 9 70 366818 4891646 2 Day 7 14-Aug-23 N Carcass remove | Searcher A |
| Day 10 17-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Dav 14 21-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 0 07-Aug-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 10-Aug-23 N Carcass remove: | Searcher A |
| 8 S18 Purple Martin 21 190 367604 4892168 2 Day 7 14-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 10 17-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 14 21-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Dav 0 07-Aug-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 10-Aug-23 N Carcass remove: | Searcher A |
| 9 S28 White-throated Sparrow 39 210 369081 4893058 2 Day 7 14-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 10 17-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 14 21-Aug-23 N - | Searcher A |
| Day 0 07-Aug-23 Y Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| Day 3 10-Aug-23 Y Carcass partially scavenged: | ad missing Searcher A |
| 10 S36 Red-eyed Vireo 18 330 364569 4888406 1 Day 7 14-Aug-23 Y No further signs | Searcher A |
| Day 10 17-Aug-23 Y No further signs | Searcher A |
| Day 14 21-Aug-23 Y No further signs | Searcher A |

Fall (September/October)

| Carcass | Turbine | Species | Distance from | Direction from | UTM (Zo | one 18T) | Visibility | Test Day | Date | Carcass | Signs of Scavenging | Tester |
|---------|---------|------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------|----------|------------|----------|-----------|---------|--|------------|
| Number | | - | i urbine (m) | () enidru i | Easting | Northing | Class | Day 0 | 04 Sep 22 | Present | Caragas placed | Searahar A |
| | | | | | | | , I | Day 0 | 04-Sep-23 | Y N | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| 1 | \$05 | Hoany Bat | 15 | 150 | 362676 | 4888868 | 2 | Day 3 | 11 Sop 23 | N | Carcass terrioved | Searcher A |
| | 305 | Tioary Dat | 15 | 150 | 302070 | 4000000 | 2 | Day 7 | 11-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 14-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | 1 | I | | <u></u> | | | | Day 14 | 10-3ep-23 | N N | - Correspondence | Searcher A |
| 2 | | | | 110 | | | 1 | Day 0 | 04-Sep-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | S14 | Red-winged Blackbird | 18 | | 366807 | 4901152 | | Day 3 | 07-Sep-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | 4891152 | | Day 7 | 11-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 14-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | - | | | Day 14 | 18-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| 0 | | | | | | 4892240 | 1 | Day 0 | 04-Sep-23 | Ŷ | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | 010 | Dubu secure ed Kinglet | 45 | 20 | 207000 | | | Day 3 | 07-Sep-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 3 | 518 | Ruby-crowned Kinglet | 45 | 30 | 367622 | | | Day 7 | 11-Sep-23 | N | · . | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 14-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 18-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | 50 | 361468 | 4890681 | 2 | Day 0 | 04-Sep-23 | Ŷ | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 07-Sep-23 | Ý | None | Searcher A |
| 4 | S22 | Swainson's Thrush | 30 | | | | | Day 7 | 11-Sep-23 | Y | None | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 14-Sep-23 | Y | Carcass partially scavenged; feathers remaining | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 18-Sep-23 | Y | No further signs | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 04-Sep-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 07-Sep-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 5 | S36 | Silver-haired Bat | 27 | 340 | 364569 | 4888418 | 1 | Day 7 | 11-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 14-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 18-Sep-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 02-Oct-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | 4889542 | | Day 3 | 05-Oct-23 | Ň | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 6 | S01 | European Starling | 41 | 110 | 359213 | | 2 | Day 7 | 09-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | - | | | | Day 10 | 12-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 16-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | Tennessee Warbler | 23 | | 366467 | | | Day 0 | 02-Oct-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | 260 | | 4890364 | 4 1 | Day 3 | 05-Oct-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 7 | S02 | | | | | | | Day 7 | 09-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 12-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 16-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 02-Oct-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | S03 | Hoary Bat | | | 361250 | 4887449 | 2 | Day 3 | 05-Oct-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 8 | | | 10 | 350 | | | | Day 7 | 09-Oct-23 | N | <u> </u> | Searcher A |
| - | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 12-Oct-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 14 | 16-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | S07 | Silver-haired Bat | 10 | 120 | 366819 | 4891631 | 1 | Day 0 | 02-Oct-23 | Y | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 3 | 05-Oct-23 | N | Carcass removed | Searcher A |
| 9 | | | | | | | | Day 7 | 09-Oct-23 | N | Galdado Temorea | Searcher A |
| 3 | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 12-Oct-23 | N | - | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 10 | 16-Oct-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| 10 | S28 | White-throated Sparrow | 48 | 140 | 369134 | 4893110 | 2 | Day 14 | 02-Oct-23 | V | Carcass placed | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 0 | 05-Oct-23 | N | | Searcher A |
| | | | | | | | | Day 7 | 09-Oct-23 | N | Calcass lelloveu | Searcher A |
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| L | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | l | | Day 14 | 10-UCI-23 | IN | - | Searcher A |

Appendix III Searcher Efficiency Trial Results
Appendix III 2121K Amherst Island Wind Project 2023 Searcher Efficiency Trial Results

Spring 2023 Searcher Efficiency Trial

| Data | Saarahar | No | Turbino | Species | Distance | Direction | Conoral Habitat | Visibility | UTM | (18T) | Found | Scavenged |
|-------------|------------|-----|---------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|---------|----------|-------|-----------|
| Date | Searcher | NO. | Turbine | opecies | Turbine (m) | Turbine (°) | General Habitat | Class | Easting | Northing | (Y/N) | (Y/N) |
| | | 1 | S02 | Blue Jay | 6 | 300 | Gravel | 1 | 366485 | 4890369 | Y | - |
| 04-May-23 | Searcher A | 2 | S14 | Golden-crowned Kinglet | 30 | 35 | Gravel | 1 | 366813 | 4891180 | Y | - |
| | | 3 | S36 | Hoary Bat | 44 | 340 | Mowed grass | 2 | 364566 | 4888439 | Ν | Y |
| | | 4 | S01 | Magnolia Warbler | 5 | 350 | Gravel | 1 | 359173 | 4889554 | Y | - |
| 11-May-23 | Searcher A | 5 | S03 | Rock Pigeon | 31 | 70 | Gravel | 1 | 361289 | 4887429 | Y | - |
| | | 6 | S22 | Hoary Bat | 28 | 215 | Mowed grass | 2 | 361437 | 4890625 | N | N |
| | | 7 | S01 | Hoary Bat | 30 | 65 | Mowed grass | 2 | 359192 | 4889579 | Y | - |
| 18-May-23 | Searcher A | 8 | S05 | Silver-haired Bat | 13 | 100 | Gravel | 1 | 362681 | 4888883 | Y | - |
| | | 9 | S22 | Black-throated Green Warbler | 6 | 60 | Gravel | 1 | 361455 | 4890663 | Y | - |
| 25 May 23 | Soarchor A | 10 | S03 | Eastern Red Bat | 45 | 90 | Gravel | 1 | 361301 | 4887437 | Ν | N |
| 23-Iviay-23 | Searcher A | 11 | S05 | Red-winged Blackbird | 41 | 30 | Gravel | 1 | 362695 | 4888910 | Y | - |
| | | 12 | S02 | Hoary Bat | 18 | 140 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366504 | 4890369 | Y | - |
| 01-Jun-23 | Searcher A | 13 | S18 | Ovenbird | 15 | 20 | Gravel | 1 | 367611 | 4892205 | Y | - |
| | | 14 | S28 | Eastern Kingbird | 42 | 160 | Gravel | 1 | 369101 | 4893083 | Y | - |
| | | 15 | S07 | Eastern Red Bat | 32 | 185 | Gravel | 1 | 366806 | 4899606 | Y | - |
| 08-Jun-23 | Searcher A | 16 | S14 | Mourning Dove | 35 | 10 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366803 | 4891192 | Ν | Y |
| | | 17 | S28 | European Starling | 45 | 270 | Mowed grass | 2 | 369045 | 4893124 | Ν | Y |
| | | 18 | S02 | Eastern Red Bat | 10 | 100 | Gravel | 1 | 366498 | 4890368 | Y | - |
| 15-Jun-23 | Searcher A | 19 | S07 | Red-eyed Vireo | 39 | 240 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366780 | 4891618 | Y | - |
| | | 20 | S18 | Purple Martin | 30 | 20 | Mowed grass | 2 | 367630 | 4892216 | Ν | Y |
| | | 21 | S05 | Baltimore Oriole | 45 | 350 | Mowed grass | 2 | 362655 | 4888927 | Y | - |
| 22-Jun-23 | Searcher A | 22 | S22 | American Woodcock | 41 | 185 | Mowed grass | 2 | 361433 | 4890616 | Y | - |
| | | 23 | S36 | Red-eyed Vireo | 31 | 30 | Mowed grass | 2 | 364609 | 4888420 | Ν | Y |

Summer 2023 Searcher Efficiency Trial

| | | | | | Distance | Direction | | Visibility | UTM | l (18T) | Found | Scavenged |
|-----------|------------|-----|---------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------|---------|----------|-------|-----------|
| Date | Searcher | No. | Turbine | Species | from Turbine (m) | from Turbine (°) | General Habitat | Class | Easting | Northing | (Y/N) | (Y/N) |
| | | 1 | S01 | Baltimore Oriole | 45 | 95 | Mowed grass | 2 | 359216 | 4889542 | Y | - |
| 06-Jul-23 | Searcher A | 2 | S03 | Hoary Bat | 39 | 88 | Gravel | 1 | 361297 | 4887428 | Y | - |
| | | 3 | S22 | Eastern Red Bat | 32 | 150 | Gravel | 1 | 361466 | 4890627 | N | Y |
| | | 4 | S05 | Fox Sparrow | 19 | 85 | Gravel | 1 | 362690 | 4888884 | Y | - |
| 20-Jul-23 | Searcher A | 5 | S22 | Swainson's Thrush | 45 | 200 | Mowed grass | 2 | 361440 | 4890609 | N | Y |
| | | 6 | S36 | Black-and-white Warbler | 43 | 15 | Gravel | 1 | 364598 | 4888445 | Ν | Y |
| | | 7 | S03 | Purple Martin | 22 | 320 | Mowed grass | 2 | 361236 | 4887448 | Y | - |
| 24-Jul-23 | Searcher A | 8 | S07 | Eastern Red Bat | 32 | 130 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366837 | 4891613 | Y | - |
| | | 9 | S14 | Hoary Bat | 14 | 135 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366798 | 4891148 | Y | - |
| | | 10 | S01 | Silver-haired Bat | 15 | 28 | Gravel | 1 | 359177 | 4889568 | Y | - |
| 31-Jul-23 | Searcher A | 11 | S05 | Red-eyed Vireo | 28 | 25 | Gravel | 1 | 362685 | 4888909 | Y | - |
| | | 12 | S36 | Golden-crowned Kinglet | 22 | 140 | Mowed grass | 2 | 364603 | 4888386 | Ν | N |
| | | 13 | S02 | Fox Sparrow | 8 | 285 | Gravel | 1 | 366482 | 4890369 | Y | - |
| 10-Aug-23 | Searcher A | 14 | S14 | Hoary Bat | 8 | 60 | Gravel | 1 | 366799 | 4891157 | Y | - |
| | | 15 | S36 | Baltimore Oriole | 41 | 120 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366567 | 4888422 | Y | - |
| | | 16 | S07 | Silver-haired Bat | 20 | 310 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366792 | 4891640 | Ν | N |
| 17-Aug-23 | Searcher A | 17 | S18 | Fox Sparrow | 8 | 30 | Gravel | 1 | 367612 | 4892200 | Y | - |
| | | 18 | S28 | Eastern Red Bat | 46 | 130 | Mowed grass | 2 | 369132 | 4893103 | Ν | Y |
| | | 19 | S02 | Red-winged Blackbird | 22 | 195 | Gravel | 1 | 366483 | 4890355 | Y | - |
| 21-Aug-23 | Searcher A | 20 | S18 | Hoary Bat | 35 | 330 | Mowed grass | 2 | 367584 | 4892213 | N | Y |
| | | 21 | S28 | Fox Sparrow | 46 | 220 | Mowed grass | 2 | 369060 | 4893092 | N | Y |

Fall 2023 Searcher Efficiency Trial

| D. t. | 0 | | Turking | O mented | Distance | Direction | O an and Hack test | Visibility | UTM | l (18T) | Found | Scavenged |
|-----------|------------|-----|---------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|------------|---------|----------|-------|-----------|
| Date | Searcher | NO. | Turbine | Species | Turbine (m) | Turbine (°) | General Habitat | Class | Easting | Northing | (Y/N) | (Y/N) |
| | | 1 | S01 | Swainson's Thrush | 13 | 20 | Gravel | 1 | 359176 | 4889564 | Y | - |
| 07-Sep-23 | Searcher A | 2 | S05 | Tennessee Warbler | 20 | 95 | Gravel | 1 | 362687 | 4888890 | Y | - |
| | | 3 | S22 | White-throated Sparrow | 5 | 270 | Gravel | 1 | 361442 | 4890653 | Y | - |
| | | 4 | S07 | Hoary Bat | 41 | 270 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366768 | 4891642 | Y | - |
| 14-Sep-23 | Searcher A | 5 | S14 | Black-and-white Warbler | 25 | 345 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366791 | 4891185 | N | Y |
| | | 6 | S18 | White-throated Sparrow | 33 | 315 | Mowed grass | 2 | 367582 | 4892214 | Y | - |
| | | 7 | S02 | Black-throated Green Warbler | 5 | 250 | Gravel | 1 | 366484 | 4890372 | N | Y |
| 21-Sep-23 | Searcher A | 8 | S07 | White-throated Sparrow | 45 | 340 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366799 | 4891684 | Y | - |
| | | 9 | S28 | Tennessee Warbler | 47 | 130 | Gravel | 1 | 369130 | 4893099 | N | N |
| | | 10 | S01 | Red-eyed Vireo | 36 | 260 | Mowed grass | 2 | 359141 | 4889541 | Y | - |
| 28-Sep-23 | Searcher A | 11 | S03 | Hoary Bat | 43 | 95 | Gravel | 1 | 361297 | 4887435 | Y | - |
| | | 12 | S22 | White-throated Sparrow | 26 | 25 | Mowed grass | 2 | 361441 | 4890681 | Y | - |
| | | 13 | S02 | Black-throated Green Warbler | 16 | 120 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366503 | 4890371 | Y | - |
| 05-Oct-23 | Searcher A | 14 | S14 | Hoary Bat | 38 | 240 | Mowed grass | 2 | 366762 | 4891128 | Y | - |
| | | 15 | S36 | Eastern Red Bat | 26 | 330 | Gravel | 1 | 364576 | 4888425 | Y | - |
| | | 16 | S03 | Silver-haired Bat | 5 | 260 | Gravel | 1 | 361258 | 4887430 | N | Y |
| 12-Oct-23 | Searcher A | 17 | S28 | Tennessee Warbler | 17 | 80 | Gravel | 1 | 364109 | 4893129 | N | Y |
| | | 18 | S36 | Eastern Red Bat | 44 | 360 | Mowed grass | 2 | 364619 | 4888432 | N | N |
| | | 19 | S14 | Silver-haired Bat | 36 | 130 | Gravel | 1 | 366829 | 4891164 | Y | - |
| 19-Oct-23 | Searcher A | 20 | S18 | Silver-haired Bat | 43 | 40 | Gravel | 1 | 367617 | 4892240 | Y | - |
| | | 21 | S28 | Hoary Bat | 19 | 245 | Mowed grass | 2 | 369080 | 4893112 | N | Y |

Appendix IV Bat Mortalities Appendix IV 2121K Amherst Island Wind Project

 1
 ≥90% bare ground, vegetation ≤15cm tall

 2
 ≥25% bare ground, vegetation ≤15cm tall

 3
 ≤25% bare ground, ≤25% of vegetation is >30cm tall

 4
 little or no bare ground, ≥25% of vegetation is >30cm tall
 Visibility Class: 1

C Complete decomposition

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| | | Start | | Dog Liser | Days | | Cloud | | Wind Speed | Wind | | | Bot EA | Sor | UTM (2 | Zone 18T) | Distance from | Direction from | Condition | Estimated | | Substrate/ | |
|-----------|---------|-------|----------|-----------|----------------|-------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------------|--|-------------|------------------|
| Date | Turbine | Time | End Time | (Y/N) | Last Search | Temp. | Cover (%) | Precipitation | (Beaufort Scale) | Direction | Species | Sample ID | (mm) | (M/F/U) | Easting | Northing | Turbine (m) | Turbine (°) | Code | Time Since Death (hrs) | Observed Injuries | Habitat | Visibility Class |
| 19-Jun-23 | S22 | 9:50 | 10:20 | N | 4 | 18 | 10 | None | 1 | s | Hoary Bat | 2121K-190623-S22-01 | 53 | F | 361456 | 4890666 | 14 | 40 | F | 12 | Broken left wing | Mowed grass | 2 |
| 10-Jul-23 | S01 | 10:40 | 11:10 | Ν | 4 | 22 | 100 | None | 1 | NW | Hoary Bat | 2121K-100723-S01-01 | 50 | U | 359149 | 4889571 | 30 | 310 | F | 12 | Broken right wing | Mowed grass | 2 |
| 10-Jul-23 | S36 | 10:40 | 11:10 | Ν | 4 | 22 | 100 | None | 1 | NW | Big Brown Bat | 2121K-100723-S36-01 | 45 | U | 364608 | 4888421 | 31 | 30 | E | 36 | None apparent | Mowed grass | 2 |
| 17-Jul-23 | S01 | 10:30 | 11:00 | Ν | 4 | 24 | 10 | None | 3 | SW | Hoary Bat | 2121K-170723-S01-01 | 52 | U | 359215 | 4889559 | 44 | 70 | E | 36 | Broken neck | Mowed grass | 2 |
| 7-Sep-23 | S22 | 10:00 | 10:30 | Ν | 3 | 20 | 100 | Rain | 3 | SW | Silver-haired Bat | 2121K-070923-S22-01 | 42 | U | 361444 | 4890703 | 47 | 355 | Е | 36 | Wing missing | Mowed grass | 2 |
| 11-Sep-23 | S22 | 9:55 | 10:25 | Ν | 4 | 16 | 30 | None | 3 | NE | Silver-haired Bat | 2121K-110923-S22-01 | 40 | М | 361432 | 4890632 | 28 | 210 | F | 12 | Laceration on left wing | Gravel | 1 |
| 11-Sep-23 | S36 | 12:00 | 12:30 | Ν | 4 | 16 | 30 | None | 3 | NE | Eastern Red Bat | 2121K-110923-S36-01 | 41 | U | 364579 | 4888425 | 30 | 340 | F | 12 | Abdominal laceration | Mowed grass | 2 |
| 14-Sep-23 | S22 | 9:55 | 10:25 | Ν | 3 | 13 | 40 | None | 3 | NW | Eastern Red Bat | 2121K-140923-S22-01 | 41 | U | 361483 | 4890624 | 48 | 130 | S/A | 200 | Partially scavenged; only wing and head remaining | Mowed grass | 2 |
| 5-Oct-23 | S03 | 11:15 | 11:45 | N | 3 | 19 | 80 | None | 3 | S | Silver-haired Bat | 2121K-051023-S03-01 | 38 | U | 361252 | 4887479 | 43 | 350 | F | 12 | Broken neck | Mowed grass | 2 |

2023 Bat Mortalities

Condition Code: I Injured or dying F Freshly dead E Early decomposition M Moderate decomposition A Advanced decomposition

Appendix V Locations of Bat Mortalities





















Appendix VI Visibility Class Mapping

Project Name: Amherst Island WP Project #: 2121K Turbine #: SO1 Degree of Slope +0.5 degrees Slope Orientation N (e.g. SSW) Photo Numbers (from turbine base) Date (DD/MM/YY): 01 106 123 Photo Numbers (from turbine base) Date (DD/MM/YY): 11 1 05123 Facing North: 09 Facing North: 01 Facing East: 10 10 MPI) Facing East: Observer: Facing South: MPD 11 Observer: Facing South: 11 Facing West: 12 12 Facing West: Monthly/Seasonal (sketch habitat and visibility classes) (sketch habitat and visibility classes) Ν Monthly/Seasonal N 5 Linear Transect Width: m Linear Transect Width: 5 VC2 Grass, VC2 spoise trees Gruss VC2 Grass, Spalse tracs VIL spuise tiers Grass sponse tirces 50m 40m 30m 20m 10m 50m 40m 30m 20m vei convicte YCI CONCIETY VCI Gravel VCI Gravel Roogl Road General Habitat Description: General Habitat Description: brass lawn , bravel GEOSS CONTI Grovel

| VISIBILITY CLASSES | E.M.A.F. | |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 3 | < 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats | |

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| VISIBILITY CLASSES | | |
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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 3 | ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats | |

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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall |
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| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall |
| Class 3 | ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats |

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| ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
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| ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats | |
| | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats |

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| VISIBILITY CLASSES | | |
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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tail | |
| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | < 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 3 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Danse shruhs woods or other unsearchable habitats | |
| Not Searchable | Dense sindos, needs, el card | |

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| VISIBILITY CLASSES | a coll bare around: vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
|--------------------|--|-----------|
| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground, vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | 25% bare ground; less than 25% of yeg, > 30cm tall | |
| Class 3 | < 25% bare ground, less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground, more than 20% of teg | 1 |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable needed | Page 2 of |

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| VISIBILITY CLASSES | | |
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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | < 25% hare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 3 | Little or no bare ground: more than 25% of yeg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little of ho bare ground, more unsearchable babitats | |
| Not Searchable | Dense snrubs, woods, of other unsearchable habitats | |

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| VIOIDIEITT | > 00% hare ground; vegetation > 15cm tail | |
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| Class 1 | 2 soft base ground: venetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | 2 25% bare ground, vegethan 25% of yeg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 3 | < 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground, note than earchable habitats | |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unset of burgers | |

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| Photo Numbers (from turbine base) Facing North: (7 Facing East: [8 Facing South: [4] Facing West: <u>10</u> (sketch habitat and visibility classes) | Date (DD/MM/YY): Observer: <u>MP</u> Monthly/Seasonal Linear Transect Wie | $\frac{15 105 125}{100}$ | Photo Numbers (from turbine base) Facing North:/ Facing East: Facing South: Facing West:/ (sketch habitat and visibility classes) | Date (DD/MM/YY): <u>08106123</u> Observer: <u>MPf</u> Monthly/Seasonal Linear Transect Width: <u>5</u> m N |
|--|--|--|---|---|
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| | 61031 | Field , brand | and a second shall be a second | Uniss Fleldy Grat |
| | VISIBILITY CLASSES Class 1 Class 2 Class 3 Class 4 Not Searchable | ≥ 90% bare ground; veg ≥ 25% bare ground; veg ≤ 25% bare ground; les Little or no bare ground Dense shrubs, woods, o | petation ≤ 15cm tall petation ≤ 15cm tall s than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall pr other unsearchable habitats | Page 1 of 3 |

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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall |
|----------------|---|
| Class 7 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall |
| Class 2 | ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall |
| Class J | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall |
| Mat Coorchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats |

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Visibility Class Map Project Name: Anheist Island V.P Project #: 2121 Turbine #: 514 Date (DD/MM/YY): 16/10/23 Photo Numbers (from turbine base) Date (DD/MM/YY): 14,09,23 Photo Numbers (from turbine base) Facing North: Facing North: 115 11 Facing East: Facing East: 06 Observer: MPD Observer: MPI Facing South: 07 12 Facing South: 09 Facing West: Facing West: 14 Monthly/Seasonal (sketch habitat and visibility classes) Ν (sketch habitat and visibility classes) Monthly/Seasonal Ν Linear Transect Width: 5 5 m Linear Transect Width: _ m VC2 Gross VCL Gruss VCI Gravel Rood VCI Grand VU Concreti villohorte 50m 40m 30m 20m 10n 50m 40m 30m 20m 10m VO2 Grass VCL Grass General Habitat Description: General Habitat Description: giuss fidd. Grasel VISIBILITY CLASSES

| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
|----------------|---|--|
| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 3 | ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats | |
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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
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| Class 3 | ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats | |

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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
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| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 3 | < 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats | |

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| VISIBILITY CLASSES | | |
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| Class 1 | ≥ 90% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 2 | ≥ 25% bare ground; vegetation ≤ 15cm tall | |
| Class 3 | ≤ 25% bare ground; less than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Class 4 | Little or no bare ground; more than 25% of veg. > 30cm tall | |
| Not Searchable | Dense shrubs, woods, or other unsearchable habitats | |

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