

Appendix I

Wildlife Species List

Appendix I: Incidental Wildlife - Breeding Birds

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Common Name	Scientific Name	Species at Risk (national) ^a	SARA (Species at Risk Act) status	SARA Schedule		Provincial ly Rare (NHIC breeding season	Identified in Partners in Flight Ontario BCR 13 Landbird Conserva tion Plan	Area- sensitive (OMNR°)	Significant in Region 6 (south- central)	Significant in Region 7 (south)		
American Crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos					SRANK) ^b					Level	Habitat
American Goldfinch	Cardeulis tristis										Level 3	Open Country
American Pipit	Anthus rubescens											
American Robin	Turdus migratorius											
American Tree Sparrow American Woodcock	Spizella arborea Scolopax minor										Level 4	Forest
Baltimore Oriole	Icterus galbula											
Belted Kingfisher Black-and-white Warbler	Ceryle alcyon Mniotilta varia							A			Level 3	Forest
Black-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus erythropthalmus							A			Level 3	Forest
Black-capped Chickadee	Poecile atricapillus										Level 4	Forest
Blackpoll Warbler	Dendroica striata											
Blue Jay Blue-winged Warbler	Cyanocitta cristata Vermivora pinus										Level 1	Forest
Brown Thrasher	Toxostoma rufum						v V				Level 1	Open Country
Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater											
Canada Goose Cedar Waxwing	Branta canadensis Bombycilla cedrorum	<u> </u>										
Chipping Sparrow	Spizella passerina											
Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula											
Common Yellowthroat Cooper's Hawk	Geothlyphis trichas Accipiter cooperi	NAR						A			Level 3	Forest
Dark-eyed Junco	Junco hyemalis	INCAN						~	Y	Y	Levers	TOICSL
Downy Woodpecker	Picoides pubescens											
Eastern Kingbird Eastern Phoebe	Tyrannus tyrannus						V				Level 3	Open Country
Eastern Wood-Pewee	Sayornis phoebe Contopus virens										Level 3	Forest
Field Sparrow	Spizella pusilla										Level 3	Open Country
Gray Catbird	Dumetella carolinensis										Level 4	Forest
Great Blue Heron Great Crested Flycatcher	Ardea herodias Myiarchus crinitus											
Hairy Woodpecker	Picoides villosus							А				
Horned Lark	Eremophila alpestris										Level 3	Open Country
House Wren Indigo Bunting	Troglodytes aedon Passerina cyanea											
Killdeer	Charadrius vociferus											
Magnolia Warbler	Dendroica magnolia							A		Y	Level 1	Forest
Mallard Mourning Dove	Anas platyrhynchos Zenaida macroura											
Northern Cardinal	Cardinalis cardinalis											
Northern Flicker	Colaptes auratus											
Northern Harrier Ovenbird	Circus cyaneus Seiurus aurocapillus	NAR						A A			Level 4 Level 4	Marsh Forest
Pileated Woodpecker	Dryocopus pileatus							A			Level 2	Forest
Red-bellied Woodpecker	Melanerpes carolinus										Level 2	Forest
Red-eyed Vireo Red-headed Woodpecker	Vireo olivaceus Melanerpes erythrocephalus	THR	THR	Schedule 1	SC	S3					Level 1	Forest
Red-tailed Hawk	Buteo jamaicensis	NAR			30		v				Level I	TOTEST
Red-winged Blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus											
Rose-breasted Grosbeak Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Pheucticus Iudovicianus Regulus calendula						V		Y	Y	Level 4	Forest
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Archilochus colubris	1			L	1			- '		Level 3	Forest
Ruffed Grouse	Bonasa umbellus										Level 3	Forest
Rusty Blackbird Savannah Sparrow	Euphagus carolinus Passerculus sandwichensis	SC	SC	Schedule 1		 		A	Y		Level 1	Open Country
Savannan Sparrow Snow Bunting	Plectrophenax nivalis						v	A			Level I	Open Country
Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia											
Swamp Sparrow Tree Swallow	Melospiza georgiana Tachycineta bicolor	<u> </u>									Level 2	Marsh
Trumpeter Swan	Cygnus buccinator	NAR				S2S3						
Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura					-					Level 3	Forest
Vesper Sparrow	Pooecetes gramineus	<u> </u>									Level 2	Open Country
Warbling Vireo White-breasted Nuthatch	Vireo gilvus Sitta carolinensis							A				
White-crowned Sparrow	Zonotrichia leucophrys											
White-throated Sparrow	Zonotrichia albicollis										Level 2	Forest
Wild Turkey Willow Flycatcher	Meleagris gallopavo Empidonax traillii	ł			ļ	<u> </u>			ļ			
Wood Duck	Aix sponsa										Level 4	Forest
Wood Thrush	Hylocichla mustelina										Level 4	Forest
Yellow Warbler Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Dendroica petechia Sphyrapicus varius	ł			ļ	<u> </u>		A	ļ		Level 1	Forest
Yellow-rumped Warbler	Dendroica coronata									Y	Level 4	Forest
Yellow-throated Vireo	Vireo flavifrons							А				

KEY

^a National Species at Risk are those listed by COSEWIC = Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada

Provincial Species at Risk are those listed by COSSARO = Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario END = Endangered, THR = Threatened, SC = Special Concern

^v SRANK (from Natural Heritage Information Centre) shown for breeding status if: S1 (Critically Imperiled, often < 5 occurrences),

S2 (Imperiled, often <20 occurences), S3 (Vulnerable, often 80 or fewer), S3S4 (uncertain between S3 and S4),

or T (tracked species) that are S4 or S5; SRANK not shown if: S4 (apparently secure, uncommon), S5 (secure, common).

Area-sensitive sources:

c Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (OMNR). 2000. Significant Wildlife Habitat Technical Guide (Appendix G). 151 p plus appendices. ^o Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (OMNR). 1993 (Revised 1994, 2002 draft). Ontario Wetland Evaluation System, Southern Manual. 3rd Edition. NEST Technical Manual TM-002. 173 pp.

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Taxon	Common Name	Scientific Name							Tracked	
Taxon	Common Name	Scientific Maille	1		Stat		0 A D A		by NHIC	
su			G Rank ¹	S Rank ²	COSEWIC	SARA	SARA	MNR/SARO		
Crustaceans	Chimney Crayfish	Cambarus diogenes	G5	S3						
Hemiptera	Annual Cicada									
	Eastern Newt/Red-spotted Newt	Notophthalmus viridescens	G5T5	S5						
а	Eastern Red-backed Salamander	Plethodon cinereus	G5	S5						
faur	American Toad	Bufo (Anaxyrus) americanus	G5	S5						
Herpetofauna	Spring Peeper	Pseudacris crucifer	G5	S5						
lerp	Green Frog	Rana (Lithobates) clamitans	G5	S5						
-	Northern Leopard Frog	Rana (Lithobates) pipiens	G5	S5	NAR					
	Wood Frog	Rana (Lithobates) sylvatica	G5	S5						
	Eastern Comma	Polygonia comma	G5	S5						
	Grey Comma	Polygonia progne	G4G5	S5						
	Milbert's Tortoiseshell	Aglais milberti	G5	S5						
a	Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta	G5	S5						
Lepidoptera	Red-spotted Purple	Limenitis arthemis astyanax	G5T5	S5						
ojdo	Monarch	Danaus plexippus	G5	S2N,S4B	SC	SC	Schedule 1	SC	<u>ا</u>	
Lep	Giant Swallowtail	Papilio cresphontes	G5	S3 S5					\checkmark	
	Eastern Tiger Swallowtail	Papilio glaucus	G5							
	Cabbage White	Pieris rapae	G5	SNA						
	Clouded Sulphur	Colias philodice	G5	S5						
	Orange Sulphur	Colias eurytheme	G5	S5						
	White-tailed Deer	Odocoileus virginianus	G5	S5						
	Coyote	Canis latrans	G5	S5						
Ś	Red Fox	Vulpes vulpes	G5	S5						
mals	Raccoon	Procyon lotor	G5	S5						
Mamı	Eastern Cottontail	Sylvilagus floridanus	G5	S5						
Σ	Eastern Chipmunk	Tamias striatus	G5	S5						
	Groundhog/Woodchuck	Marmota monax	G5	S5						
	Gray Squirrel	Sciurus carolinensis	G5	S5						
_	Meadow Vole	Microtus pennsylvanicus	G5	S5						
Odonata	Common Green Darner	Anax junius	G5	S5						
юрс	Yellow-legged Meadowhawk	Sympetrum vicinum	G5	S5						
	Ebony Jewelwing	Calopteryx maculata	G5	S5						
Reptiles	Eastern Gartersnake	Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis	G5T5	S5						
¹ G-rank:	G rank Global ranks are assigned by G1	a consensus of the network of CDCs, Extremely rare; usually 5 or fewer or				-		-		
	G2	Very rare; usually between 5 and 20		-		-				
	G3	Rare to uncommon; usually between					h a large numbe	er of individuals	in some popu	
	G4 G5	Common; usually more than 100 occ Very common; demonstrably secure			มาย เบ เกาเทยนเลเย โI	" <i>ca</i> is.				
	G? T	Not Yet Ranked; or if following a ran	-		?). S? Species hav	e not had a rai	nk assigned.			
	1	Denotes that the rank applies to a su	ubspecies or va	nety.						
² S-rank:	The Natural Heritage provincial rankir S1	ng system (provincial S-rank) is used Extremely rare in Ontario; usually 5		-						
	S2	Very rare in Ontario; usually betwee. Rare to uncommon in Ontario; usual disturbances.	n 5 and 20 occu lly between 20 a	urrences in the p and 100 occurre	province or with ma ences in the provin	any individuals ce; may have	in fewer occurr fewer occurrenc	ences; often sus	ceptible to ex	
	S3 S4	Most species with an S3 rank are as Common and apparently secure in C	-							
	S5	Very common and demonstrably see	cure in Ontario.							
	SNA	Not Applicable —A conservation stat	tus rank is not ap	oplicable becaus	se the species is n	ot a suitable ta	rget for conserva	ation activities		



Appendix J

Addendum Report

Environment



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Natural Heritage Assessment and Environmental Impact Study Report Addendum

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1. Introduction

Goshen Wind, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of NextEra Energy Canada, ULC (NextEra), is proposing to construct a wind energy project in Bluewater and South Huron, Huron County, Ontario. AECOM Canada Ltd. (AECOM) was retained by NextEra to prepare a Natural Heritage Assessment (NHA) and Environmental Impact Study (EIS) for the proposed Goshen Wind Energy Centre (the Project), in accordance with the requirements of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process and O.Reg. 359/09. The Goshen Wind Energy Centre Natural Heritage Assessment and Environmental Impact Study Report (AECOM, 2013; hereafter referred to as the submitted NHA and EIS) was submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) in January 2013.

This addendum has been prepared as a supplement to the submitted NHA and EIS, and is intended to fulfill the requirements of a Natural Heritage Assessment and Environmental Impact Study in accordance with the requirements of the Renewable Energy Approval process and O.Reg. 359/09, with respect to modifications to the Project Location proposed after submission of the NHA and EIS to MNR.

1.1 Overview of Project Location Modifications

The proposed Project Study Area remains unchanged from the submitted NHA and EIS; however, there are modifications proposed to the Project Location (i.e., location of specific components of the Project). All of the proposed modifications are summarized in Table 1. For each proposed modification, a map showing the revised Project Location and associated 120 m Area of Investigation, referenced against the Project Location and associated 120 m Area of Investigation, referenced against the Project Location and associated 120 m Area of Investigation in the submitted NHA and EIS, is included in this addendum (refer to Table 1 for corresponding Figures). Changes in the minimum distance from natural features within 120 m of each modification to the specific project component(s) proposed to be modified are also provided in the table below.

Modification ID	Feature(s) Potentially Affected by Proposed Modification (Change in Minimum Distance to Modified Project Component)	Мар
A1: Relocation of access road and collection line to Turbine 7 to northern property line. Collection line extended north within the road right-of-way.	 Natural Area 370 is no longer within 120 m of the Project Location. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Woodland Feature WOD-307 (increased from 102 m to >120 m). 	Figure 1A
A2: Relocation of access road to meteorological tower to the north.	None	Figure 1A
A3: Disturbance area for construction of Turbine 4 extended to northern property line.	 Disturbance area remains within 120 m of Natural Area 375. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-025 (no change); Woodland Feature WOD-312 (no change); Confirmed Significant Wildlife Habitat: Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat Feature SCP-17 (no change); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland), Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Inc. 	Figure 1A
A4: Relocation of access road to Turbine 5 to northern property line.	 Access road remains within 120 m of Natural Area 379. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Woodland Feature WOD-331 (no change); Valleyland Feature VAL-02 (reduced from 89 m to 82 m); Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat: Amphibian Wetland Breeding Habitat Feature AWE-29 (increased from 23 m to 73 m); Deer Winter Congregation Area Feature DWC-01 (no change); Deer Movement Corridor Feature WOD-331 (no change); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Woodland Area-Sensitive Bird Breeding Habitat, Woodland Raptor Nesting Habitat, Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat) (no change). 	Figure 1A

Table 1. Summary of Proposed Modifications

Modification ID	Feature(s) Potentially Affected by Proposed Modification (Change in Minimum Distance to Modified Project Component)	Мар
B1: Disturbance area modified for access road to meteorological tower (narrower and longer).		Figure 1B
B2: Relocation of access road to Turbine 23 to northern property line.	 Access road proposed within 120 m of Natural Area 285. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-019 (reduced from >120 m to 75 m); Woodland Feature WOD-137 (reduced from >120 m to 70 m); Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat: Bat Maternity Colony Feature BMC-285 (reduced from >120 m to 70 m); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat) (reduced from >120 m to 70 m). Access road remains within 120 m of Natural Area 280. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-019 (no change); Woodland Feature WOD-131 (no change); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Seeps and Springs, Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland), Woodland Raptor Nesting Habitat, Woodland Area-Sensitive Bird Breeding Habitat, Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat) (no change). 	Figure 1B
B3: Relocation of access road to Turbine 66, to extend north to Kirkton Road.	 Access road is no longer within 120 m of Natural Area 266. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-019 (increased from 111 m to >120 m); Woodland Feature WOD-131 (increased from 44 m to >120 m); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Woodland Area-Sensitive Bird Breeding Habitat, Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Turtle Wintering Area, Seeps and Springs, Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland), Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Insect Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Woodland Raptor Nesting Habitat, Bat Maternity Colony) (increased from 44 m to >120 m). 	Figure 1B
C1: Modification of construction laydown yard to be a square instead of rectangular area.	None	Figure 1C
C2: Relocation of access road and collection line to Turbine 75 to southern property line.	None	Figure 1C
D1: Minor realignment of access road to meteorological tower.	None	Figure 1D
E1: Relocation of collection line between Turbines 36, 37 and 64, to run adjacent to boundary of natural area 236.	 Collection line remains within 120 m of Natural Area 236. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-010 (reduced from 3 m to >0.1 m); Woodland Features WOD-044 (increased from 30 m to 33 m) and WOD-054 (no change); Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat: Bat Maternity Colony Feature BMC-236 (no change); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Mature Forest Stand, Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland), Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Wetland), Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Insect Species of Conservation Conservation Concern Habitat) (no change). 	Figure 1E
E2: Relocation of access road and collection line to Turbine 68 to northern property line. Collection line extended eastward toward Natural Area 215.	 Access road and collection line remain within 120 m of Natural Area 215. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-008 (distance to access road reduced from 104 m to 75 m); Woodland Feature WOD-033 (distance to access road reduced from 88 m to 56 m); Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat: Bat Maternity Colony Feature BMC-215 (distance to access road reduced from 88 m to 56 m); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Mature Forest Stand, Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat) (distance to access road reduced from 88 m to 56 m). 	Figure 1E

Modification ID	Feature(s) Potentially Affected by Proposed Modification (Change in Minimum Distance to Modified Project Component)	Мар
F1: Relocation of access road to Turbine 49, to extend westward to Babylon Line.	 Access road remains within 120 m of natural area 235. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-011 (no change); Woodland Feature WOD-053 (no change); Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat: Bat Maternity Colony Feature BMC-235 (no change); Reptile Hibernacula Feature RH-02 (no change); Amphibian Woodland Breeding Habitat Feature AWO-06 (no change); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Habitat for Plant Species of Conservation Concern, Habitat for Bird Species of Conservation Concern) (no change). Access road is no longer within 120 m Natural Area 245. Features within 120 m of this modification include: Wetland Feature WET-011 (increased from >0.1 m to >120 m); Woodland Feature WOD-064 (increased from >0.1 m to >120 m); Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat: Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland) Feature AWO-02 (increased from >0.1 m to >120 m); Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Mature Forest Stand, Plant Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Bird Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Insect Species of Conservation Concern Habitat, Bat Maternity Colony) (increased from >0.1 m to >120 m); 	Figure 1F
F2: Relocation of access road to Turbine to northern property line.	None	Figure 1F

Table 1. Summary of Proposed Modifications

1.2 Summary of NHA and EIS Addendum

Changes required to the submitted NHA and EIS in order to address the proposed modifications to the Project Location are summarized in Table 2. The relevant sections of this NHA Addendum pertaining to these changes are also provided in the table below.

1 7	ubmitted NHA nd EIS Section	Changes Required	Refer to Addendum Section(s)
2.	Records	Methods: No changes.	Section 2
	Review	Results: No changes.	
3.	Site	Methods: No changes.	Section 3.1
	Investigation	Results: Natural Area 370 is no longer within the 120 m Area of Investigation; therefore, this natural area, which includes Woodland Feature WOD-307, is removed from the NHA and EIS. Candidate Significant Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland) Feature AWO-02 is changed to Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat in natural area 245 as result of modification F1. Minimum distances between natural features and the Project Location were updated as required.	Section 3.2
4.	Evaluation of	Methods: No changes.	Section 4.1
	Significance	Results: Commitment to complete pre-construction evaluation of significance surveys for Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland) Feature AWO-02 is no longer required.	Section 4.2
5.	Environmental Impact Study	Feature-specific environmental effects and mitigation measures described in the submitted NHA and EIS are no longer required for Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland) Feature AWO-02. Instead, mitigation measures to address potential effects to Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat will be applied to this feature.	Section 5

2. Addendum to the Records Review

The Records Review in the submitted NHA and EIS was conducted for the entire Project Study Area, rather than encompassing only the Project Location and an additional 120 m surrounding the Project Location as required by O.Reg. 359/09. This was done in order to accommodate any potential changes to the Project Location that may occur later in the project planning process. There are no additional natural features (i.e., natural features not already described in the submitted NHA and EIS) within the modified 120 m Area of Investigation. Consequently, no changes to the Records Review are required as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications.

3. Addendum to the Site Investigation

3.1 Methods

Site investigations were completed and described in the submitted NHA and EIS for all natural features within 120 m of the proposed Project Location modifications; therefore, no additional site investigations were required for the purpose of this NHA Addendum (refer to Figures 1A to 1F). Consequently, no changes are required to the methods as described in the submitted NHA and EIS.

3.1.1 Wildlife Habitat

Where distances from Project infrastructure to wildlife habitat features changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications (refer to Table 1), these features were re-examined to determine whether the modifications resulted in changes to the designation of candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat and Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat as per Appendix D of the Natural Heritage Assessment Guide for Renewable Energy Projects (MNR, 2012).

3.2 Results

No change to the boundaries, attributes, composition and functions of features are required as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications. The results of site investigations are presented in the submitted NHA and EIS and are not repeated here.

Where distances from Project infrastructure to wetland, woodland or valleyland features changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications (refer to Table 1), these features were carried forward to the Evaluation of Significance of this NHA Addendum to ensure that any potential effects of the modified Project components are addressed through the application of appropriate mitigation measures, if required.

Due to modification A1, natural area 370 is no longer within 120 m of the Project Location (refer to Figure 1A); consequently, woodland WOD-307 is removed from consideration in this NHA Addendum.

3.2.1 Wildlife Habitat

An amphibian breeding habitat (woodland) feature in natural area 245 was identified as candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (AWO-02) in the submitted NHA and EIS. However, due to modification F1, this feature is now more than 120 m away from the nearest access road; therefore, the designation of this feature is changed to Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat (Figure 2). This feature was carried forward to the Evaluation of Significance of this NHA Addendum. No other changes to the designation of candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat and Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat are required. Where distances from Project infrastructure to wildlife habitat features changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications (refer to Table 1), these features were carried forward to the Evaluation of Significance of this NHA Addendum to ensure that any potential effects of the modified Project components are addressed through the application of appropriate mitigation measures, if required.

3.2.2 Minimum Distances from Natural Features to Project Location

The proposed Project Location modifications have resulted in changes to the minimum distance to Project Location for the following natural features (Table 3). Minimum distances to natural features not listed in the table below are the same as reported in the submitted NHA and EIS.

Modification			Natural	Minimum Distance from Project Location (m)				
ID	Feature Type	Feature ID Area(s)		Distance in Submitted NHA and EIS (m)	Distance Corresponding to Modified Project Location (m)			
A1	Woodland	WOD-307	370	102 m (access road)	No longer within the 120 m Area of Investigation			
A4	Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Wetland)	AWE-29	379	23 m (access road)	73 m (access road)			
E1	Woodland	WOD-044	236	30 m (collection line)	33 m (collection)			
E2	Wetland	WET-008	215	38 m (collection line)	40 m (turbine construction footprint)			
F1	Woodland	WOD-064	245	>0.1 m (access road, collection line)	>0.1 m (collection line)			
	Wetland	WET-011	245	>0.1 m (access road, collection line)	>0.1 m (collection line)			
	Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland)	AWO-02	245	>0.1 m (access road, collection line)	>0.1 m (collection line)			

 Table 3. Updated Minimum Distances Between the Project Location and Natural Features

4. Addendum to the Evaluation of Significance

4.1 Methods

The designation of amphibian breeding habitat (woodland) feature AWO-02 changed from candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat to Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat as a result of modification F1 (Figure 2). Consequently, pre-construction Evaluation of Significance surveys are no longer required for this feature. No other changes are required to the methods as described in the submitted NHA and EIS.

4.2 Results

None of the proposed modifications require changes to or additional Evaluation of Significance studies. The results of these evaluations are presented in the submitted NHA and EIS and are not repeated here.

Where distances from Project infrastructure to significant features changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications (refer to Table 1), these features were carried forward to the EIS of this NHA Addendum to ensure that any potential effects of the modified Project components are addressed through the application of

appropriate mitigation measures, if required. As described in the submitted NHA and EIS, the following features were either evaluated and determined to be significant or treated as significant:

- Wetland Features WET-019, WET-010, WET-008 and WET-011;
- Woodland Features WOD-137, WOD-131, WOD-033 and WOD-064;
- Valleyland Feature VAL-02; and
- Bat Maternity Colony Feature BMC-285.

These significant features were carried forward to the EIS of this NHA Addendum. Note that features evaluated and determined not to be significant in the submitted NHA and EIS (e.g., Woodland Features WOD-307 and WOD-044, Bat Maternity Colony Feature BMC-215, and Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Wetland) Feature AWE-29) were not carried forward here.

The designation of candidate Amphibian Breeding Habitat (Woodland) Feature AWO-02 was changed to Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat; therefore, pre-construction Evaluation of Significance surveys are no longer required for this feature. This feature was also carried forward to the EIS of this NHA Addendum.

5. Addendum to the Environmental Impact Study

5.1 Significant Wetlands

Distances from Project infrastructure to the following significant wetland features changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications. An assessment of any changes required to the mitigation measures that will be applied to these features is provided below.

- WET-019: The distance from this feature to the access road to Turbine 23 is reduced from >120 m to 75 m (modification B2), whereas the access road to Turbine 66 is no longer within 120 m of this feature (modification B3). No changes are required to the mitigation measures described in Section 5.5.1 of the submitted NHA and EIS to accommodate modification B2 (refer to mitigation measures for wetlands within 5 m of Project infrastructure in Table 5.2). Mitigation measures associated with the access road to Turbine 66 are no longer required for WET-019.
- WET-010: The distance from this feature to the collection line is reduced from 3 m to >0.1 m (modification E1). No changes are required to the mitigation measures described in Section 5.5.1 of the submitted NHA and EIS to accommodate this modification (refer to mitigation measures for wetlands within 5 m of Project infrastructure in Table 5.2).
- WET-008: The distance from this feature to the access road to Turbine 68 is reduced from 104 m to 75 m (modification E2). No changes are required to the mitigation measures described in Section 5.5.1 of the submitted NHA and EIS to accommodate this modification (refer to mitigation measures for wetlands 30 m to 120 m from Project infrastructure in Table 5.2).
- WET-011: The access road to Turbine 49 is no longer within 120 m of this feature (modification F1); therefore, mitigation measures associated with this access road are no longer required for WET-011. Refer to Section 5.5.1 of the submitted NHA and EIS for mitigation measures associated with the collection line (i.e., wetlands within 5 m of Project infrastructure in Table 5.2).

No other changes to the mitigation measures proposed for significant wetlands in the submitted NHA and EIS are required to accommodate the proposed Project Location modifications.

5.2 Significant Woodlands

Distances from Project infrastructure to the following significant woodland features changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications. An assessment of any changes required to the mitigation measures that will be applied to these features is provided below.

- WOD-137: The distance from this feature to the access road to Turbine 23 is reduced from >120 m to 70 m (modification B2). No changes are required to the mitigation measures described in Section 5.6.1 of the submitted NHA and EIS to accommodate this modification (refer to mitigation measures for woodlands 30 m to 120 m from Project infrastructure in Table 5.3).
- WOD-131: The access road to Turbine 66 is no longer within 120 m of this feature (modification B3); therefore, mitigation measures associated with this access road are no longer required for WOD-131.
- WOD-033: The distance from this feature to the access road to Turbine 68 is reduced from 88 m to 56 m (modification E2). No changes are required to the mitigation measures described in Section 5.6.1 of the submitted NHA and EIS to accommodate this modification (refer to mitigation measures for woodlands within 5 m of Project infrastructure in Table 5.3).
- WOD-064: The access road to Turbine 49 is no longer within 120 m of this feature (modification F1); therefore, mitigation measures associated with this access road are no longer required for WOD-064. Refer to Section 5.6.1 of the submitted NHA and EIS for mitigation measures associated with the collection line (i.e., woodlands within 5 m of Project infrastructure in Table 5.3).

No other changes to the mitigation measures proposed for significant woodlands in the submitted NHA and EIS are required to accommodate the proposed Project Location modifications.

5.3 Significant Valleylands

Distances from Project infrastructure to the following significant valleyland feature changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications.

VAL-02: The distance from this feature to the access road to Turbine 5 is reduced from 89 m to 82 m (modification A4).

According to a recent amendment to O.Reg. 359/09, significant valleylands are no longer included as a natural feature requiring an Environmental Impact Study; therefore, mitigation measures and monitoring commitments related to the valleyland feature are not presented in the submitted NHA and EIS nor in this NHA Addendum.

5.4 Significant Wildlife Habitat

Distances from Project infrastructure to the following significant wildlife habitat features changed as a result of the proposed Project Location modifications. An assessment of any changes required to the mitigation measures that will be applied to these features is provided below.

- Bat Maternity Colony Feature BMC-285: The distance from this feature to the access road to Turbine 23 is reduced from >120 m to 70 m (modification B2). No changes are required to the mitigation measures described in Section 5.8.3 of the submitted NHA and EIS to accommodate this modification (refer to mitigation measures for bat maternity colonies 30 m to 120 m from turbines in Table 5.7).
- Amphibian Woodland Habitat Feature AWO-02: The access road to Turbine 49 is no longer within 120 m of this feature (modification F1); therefore, the mitigation measures associated with Amphibian Woodland Breeding Habitat Feature AWO-02 no longer apply to this feature, as its designation was changed to Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat. Instead, mitigation measures to address potential effects on Generalized Candidate Significant Wildlife Habitat, as described in Section 5.8.3 of the submitted NHA and EIS (refer to Table 5.6), will be applied to this feature.

No other changes to the mitigation measures proposed for significant wildlife habitat in the submitted NHA and EIS are required to accommodate the proposed Project Location modifications.

6. Summary

There are no additional potential effects on significant natural features resulting from the proposed Project Location modifications. Therefore, no additional mitigation measures and monitoring commitments are required to address potential effects to significant wetlands, significant woodlands, significant valleylands and significant wildlife habitat to accommodate the Project Location modifications described herein.

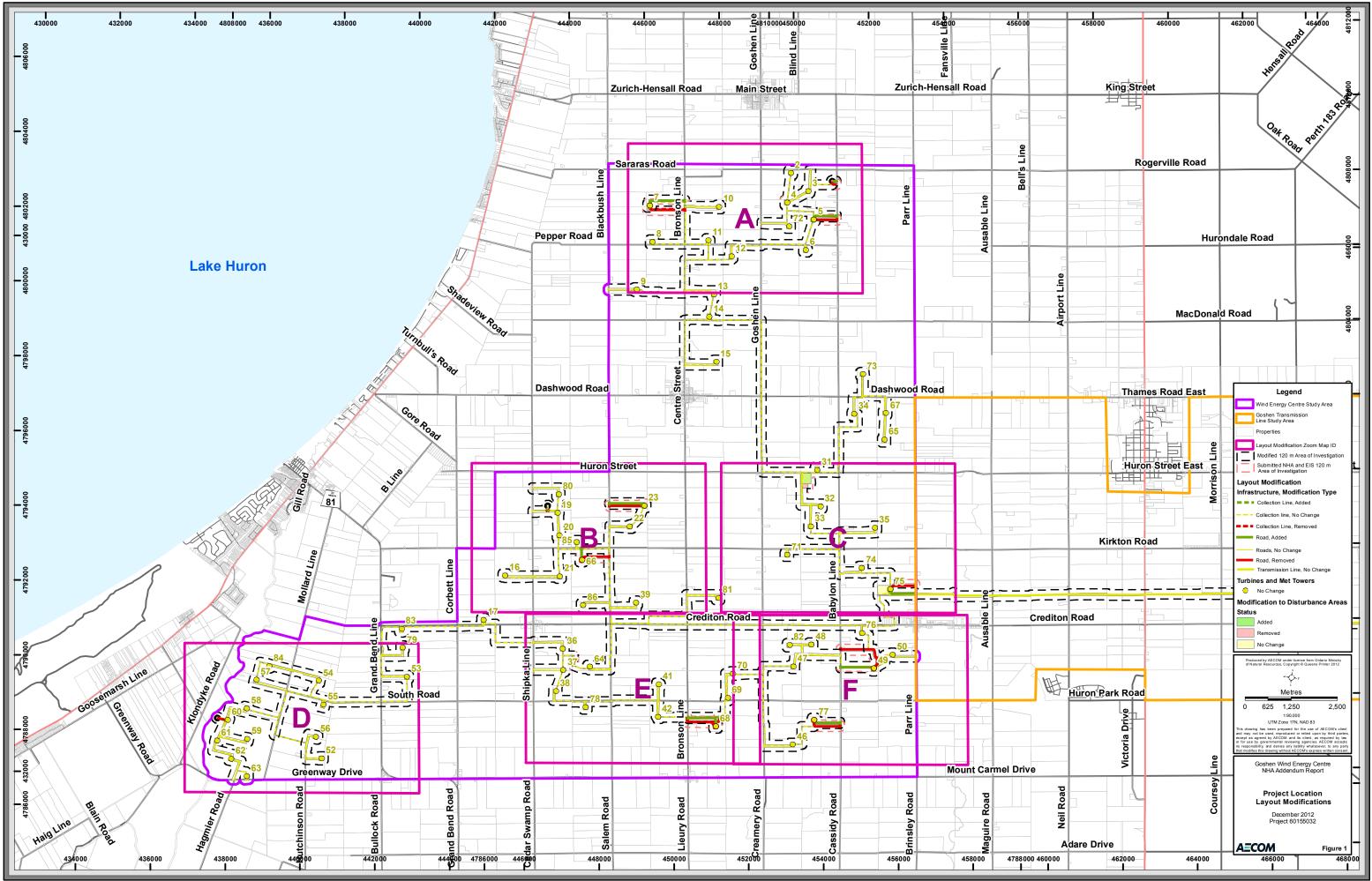
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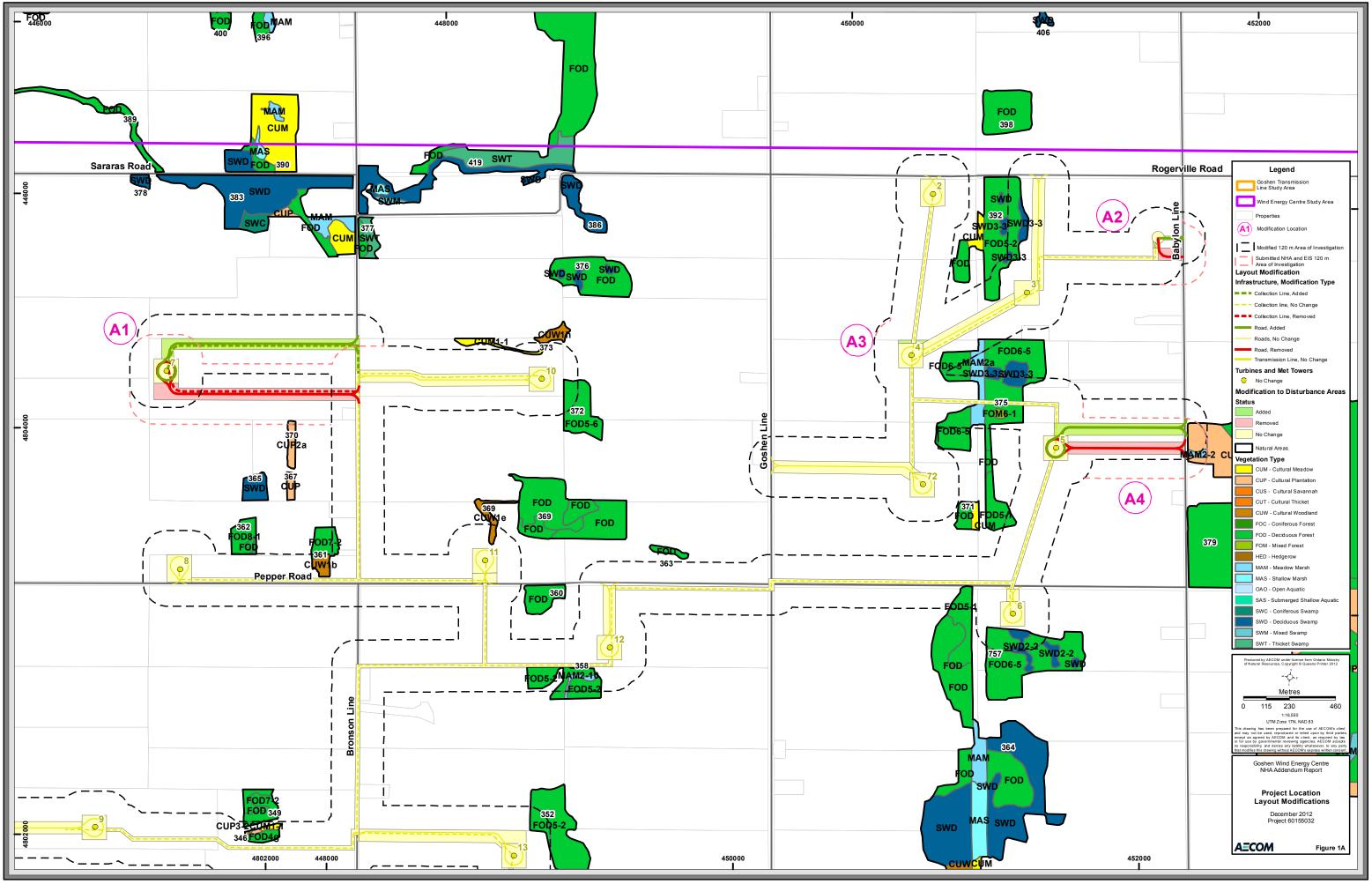
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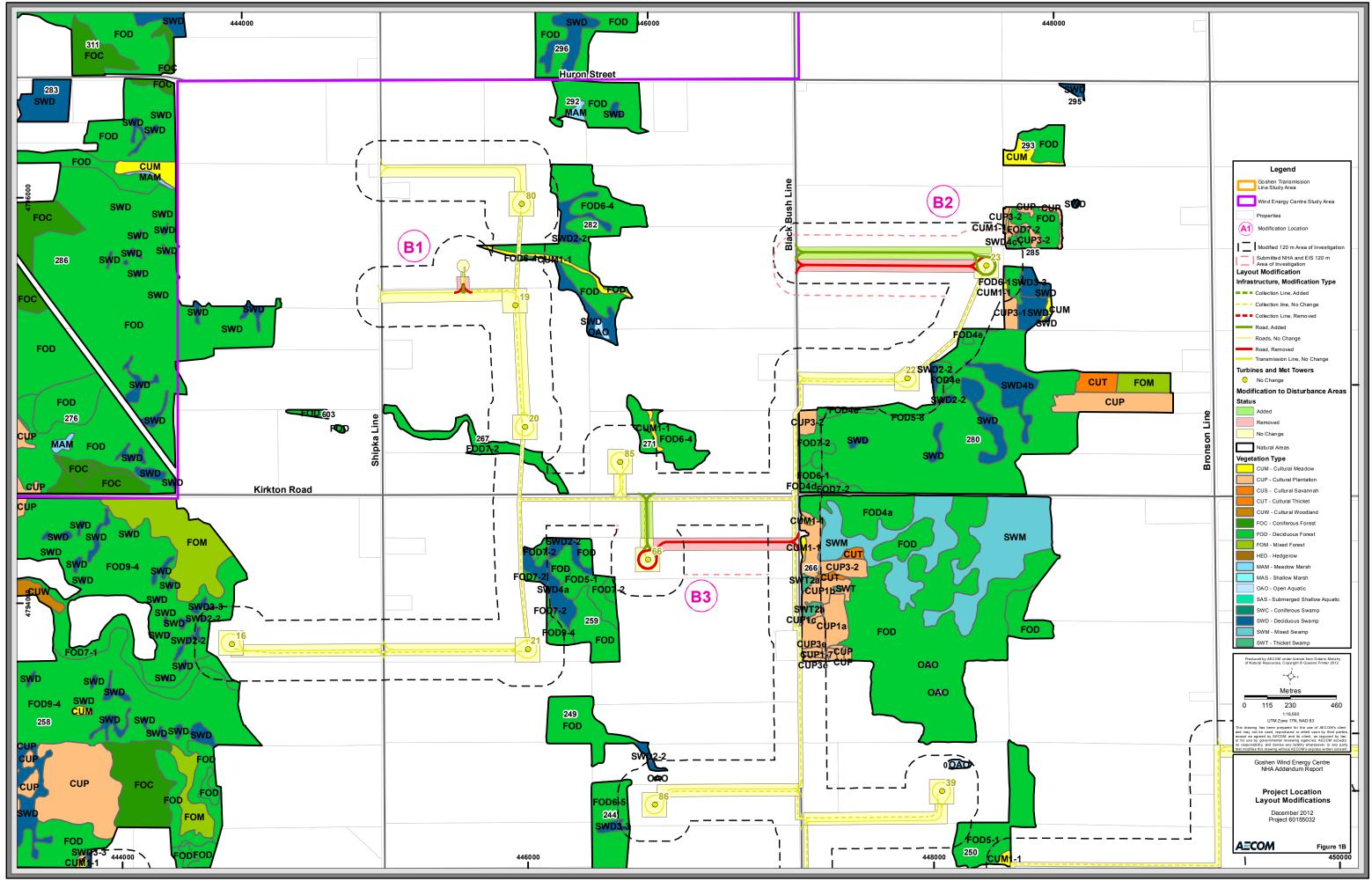
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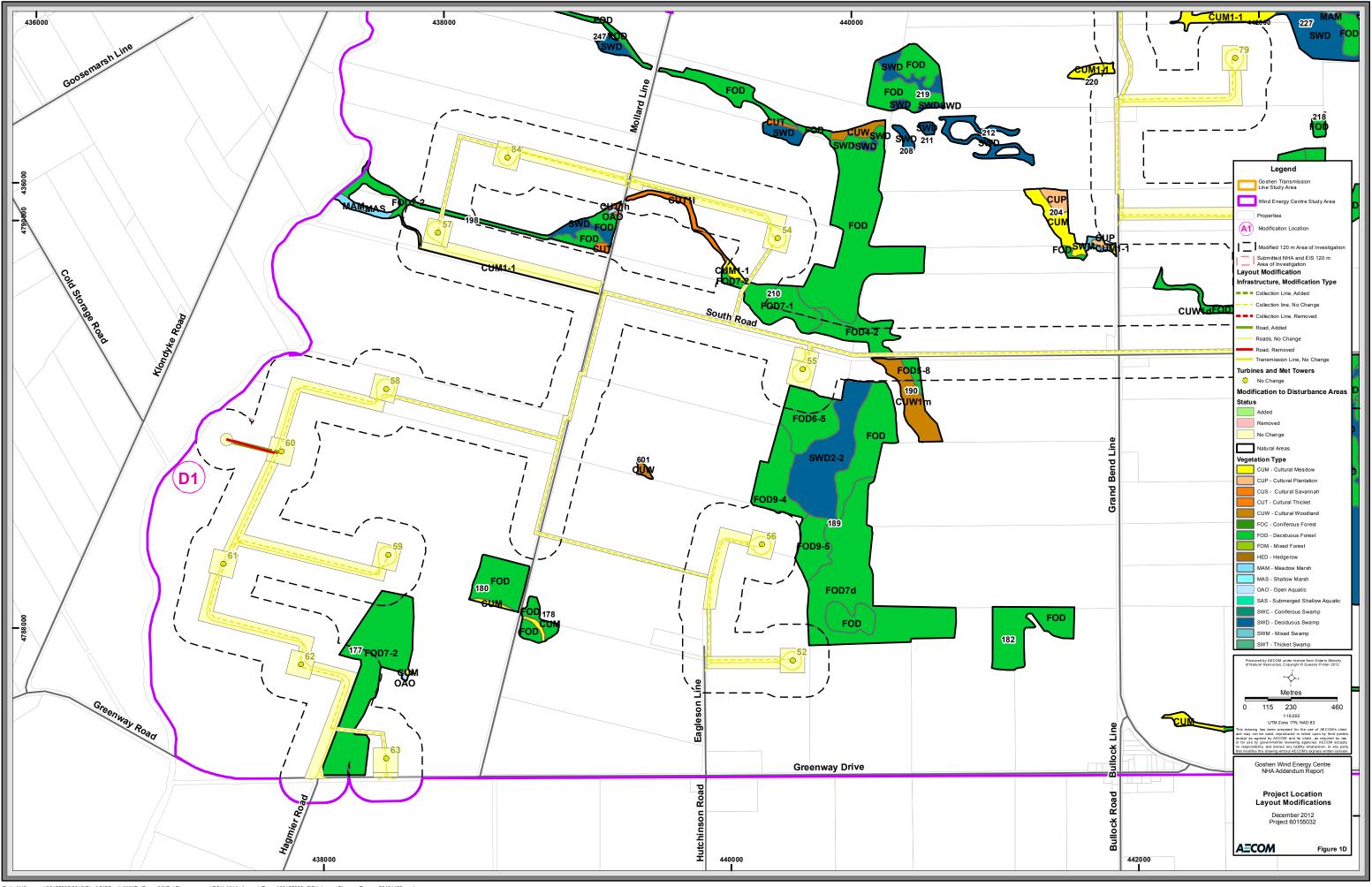
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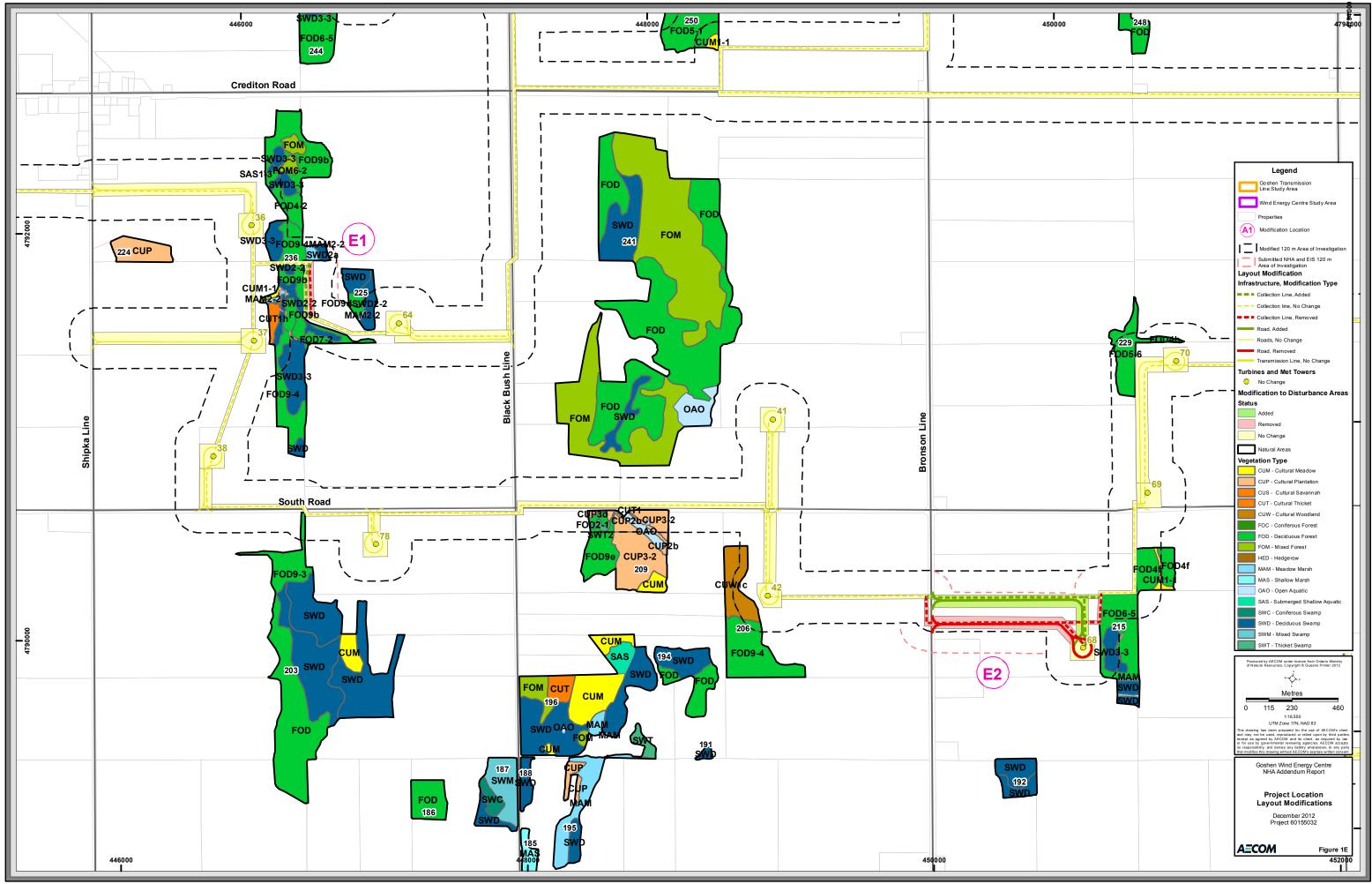
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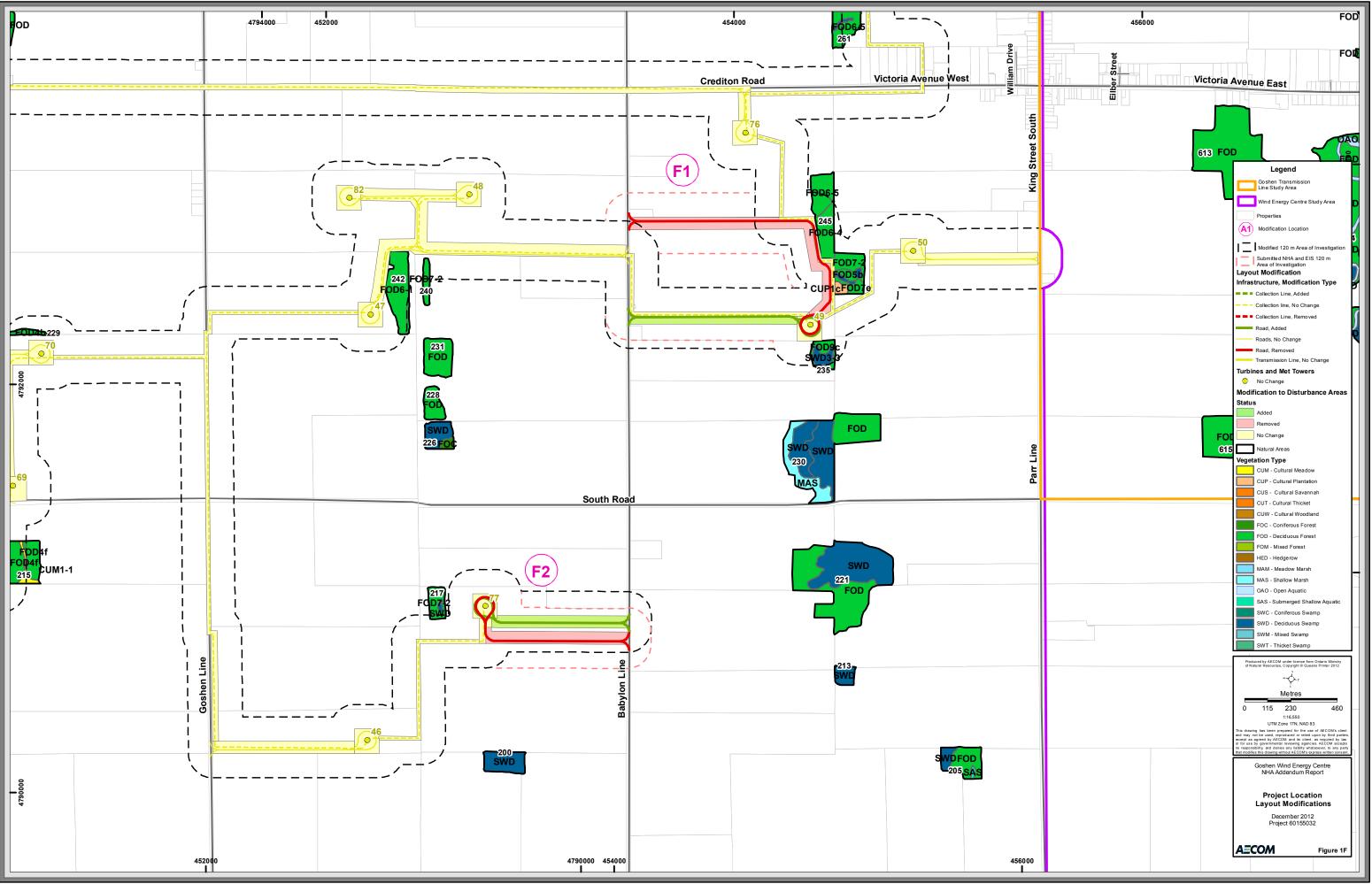
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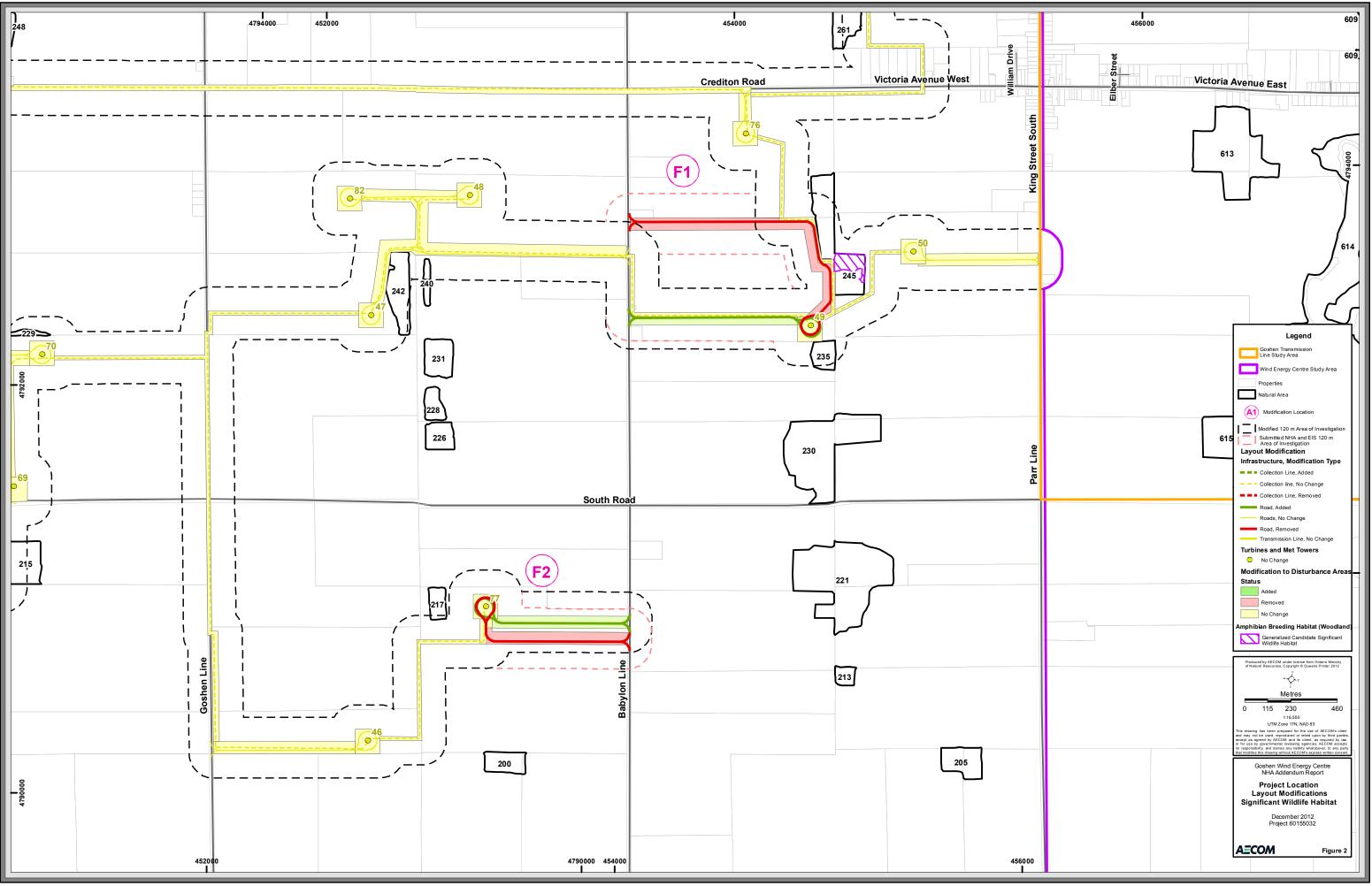
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Appendix K

Memo Dated January 14, 2013 – Potential Changes to Infrastructure Related to Tundra Swan Habitat



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Memorandum

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Subject	Goshen Wind Energy Centre – Potential Changes to Infrastructure Related to Tundra Swan Habitat	
From	Jessica Ward, AECOM	
Date	January 14, 2013	60155032

Below is a summary of potential changes to the Goshen Wind Energy Centre Project Location in relation to candidate waterfowl (Tundra Swan) stopover and staging habitats WSST-36 and WSST-15, as discussed during our January 14, 2013 conference call. In the screenshots below, red hatching indicates removal, whereas green outlines indicate infrastructure to be retained.

WSST-36 (if habitat determined to be significant and the 300 m buffer determined to be appropriate through pre-construction surveys)

- 1. Turbine 46 (123 m from the area of seasonal flooding), if removed:
 - Removal of Turbine 46 and associated construction disturbance area;
 - Removal of the access road to Turbine 46; and
 - Collection line would be retained and located within the disturbance area as mapped in the Goshen NHA and EIS Report.





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- 2. Turbine 47 (59 m from the area of seasonal flooding), if removed:
 - Removal of Turbine 47 and associated construction disturbance area;
 - Removal of the portion of access road extending from the junction with the access road to Turbine 48; and
 - Collection line would be retained and located within the disturbance area as mapped in the Goshen NHA and EIS Report.





- 3. Turbine 82 (5 m from the area of seasonal flooding), if removed:
 - Removal of Turbine 82 and associated construction disturbance area;
 - Removal of the portion of access road extending from the junction with the access road to Turbine 48; and
 - Removal of the portion of collection line extending from the junction with the collection line to Turbine 48.





WSST-15 (if habitat determined to be significant and the 300 m buffer determined to be appropriate through pre-construction surveys)

- 1. Turbine 9 (250 m from the area of seasonal flooding), if removed:
 - Removal of Turbine 9 and associated construction disturbance area;
 - Removal of the access road to Turbine 9; and
 - Removal of the collection line extending west from Bronson Line and the access road to Turbine 13.

