



Goshen Wind Energy Centre Project Public Information Centre Survey

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2. What questions or concerns did you have about the Goshen Wind Energy Centre project?

EFFECTS OF NOISE POLLUTION
ON MIGRATORY BIRDS

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

YES

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

I BELIEVE IT WILL HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

7. How would you prefer to receive further information about the project(s)?

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8. Was the information provided today helpful and informative?

YES

NO

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When ~~was~~ it going to start.
I think the way to go for energy
in Ont. is by Wind & Sunshine
The Nuclear? (polling) is very bad & never
should have been started. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO
DO WITH THE DEADLY POISON

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

Very Good.

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

I like to see Windmills turning they
look ~~so~~ beautiful in the horizon

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

Employment & Safe Energy.

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

That the project & people involved are very serious about the environment & future "generations"

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4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

1. Increased taxes for our municipality.
2. Production of energy w. minimal pollution
3. Income for landowners who in turn, spend these funds in their communities.

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Time Line for the project.

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- Environmental - noise, birds,

- size of project

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

Yes.

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

None.

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

*- a thorough and professional approach
to wind farm development*

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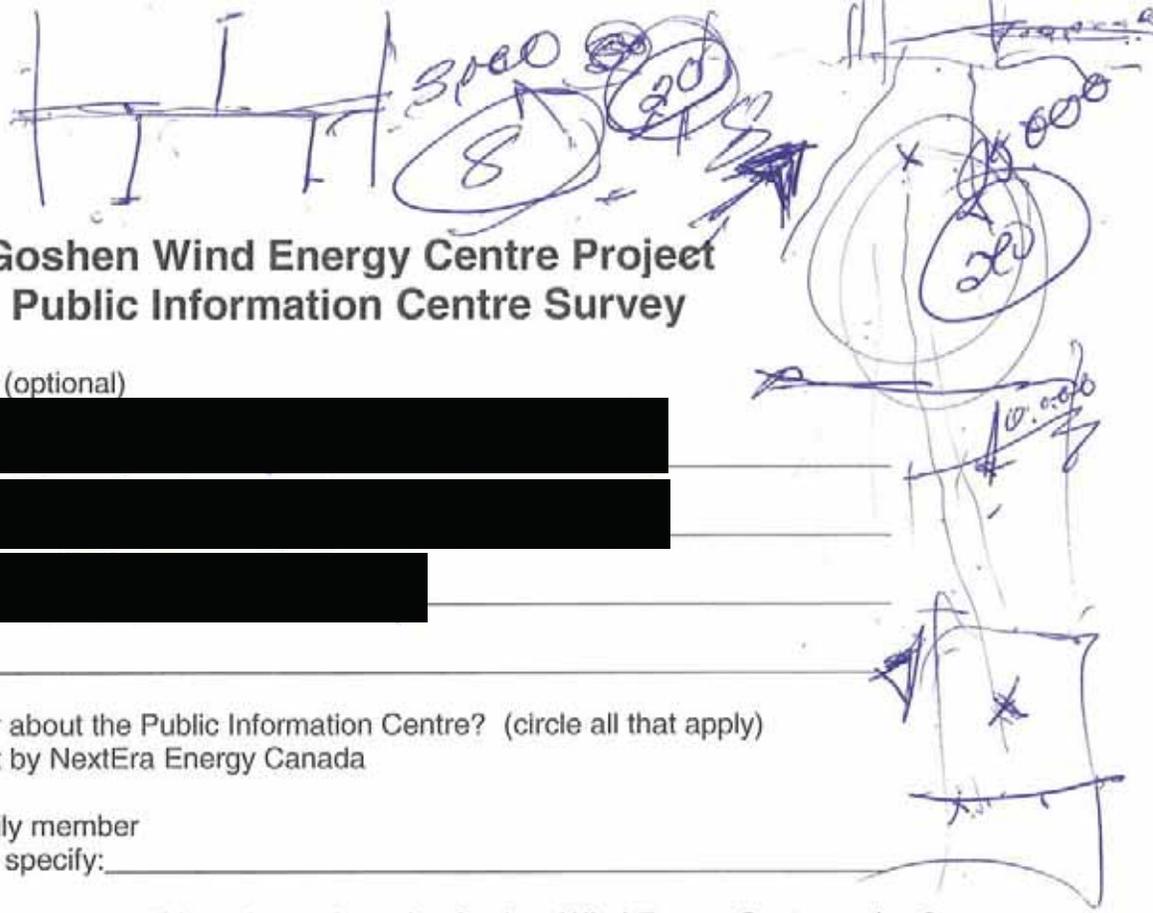
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3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

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5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
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2. What questions or concerns did you have about the Goshen Wind Energy Centre project?

1. HOW ARE HEALTH EFFECTS BEING ADDRESSED?

2. ARE YOU INVOLVED IN OTHER (CANADIAN) & INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS?

3. ARE YOU INVOLVED WITH OR OVERLAPPING ON OTHER PROPOSED PROJECTS IN THE AREA?

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain. THE GREENWAY ROAD?

YES, TO MY SATISFACTION CURRENTLY BASED ON MY LIMITED KNOWLEDGE OF THE IMPACT OF SUCH A PROJECT TO DATE.

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

NONE AT PRESENT. I REALIZE POSITIONING OF THE TURBINES AT THIS TIME IS UNKNOWN. I AM AWARE THAT THE POLITICIANS MAY WISH TO HAVE A SAY IN THE POSITIONING OF TURBINES, BUT IT APPEARS TO ME THAT VERY THOROUGH RESEARCH IS BEING CONDUCTED BY A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WITH PURPORTED EXPERTISE IN A RANGE OF AREAS TO MAKE DECISIONS IN REGARD TO POSITIONING KNOWLEDGEABLE BEYOND



THE PURVEY OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, PERHAPS THE POLITICAL OPINIONS COULD BE ADDED TO THE DATA UPON WHICH DECISIONS WILL BE BASED.

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community? If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

I DON'T THINK IT WILL ADD TO THE COMPLEXION OF THE LANDSCAPE, AND MAY WELL PETER FROM IT.
I DON'T KNOW IF THE POWER GENERATED WILL BE MOST EFFECTIVE. I DON'T KNOW IF SOLAR RECEPTORS WOULD BE A BETTER SOURCE OF GREEN ENERGY FOR THIS AREA, AS THE NEXTERA COMPANY PROVIDES BOTH OPTIONS.

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

I LEARNED HOW THEY ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE AND APPARENTLY SENSITIVE TO THE NEEDS, CONCERNS, ISSUES OF ONTARIO CITIZENS. I BELIEVE IF THE GOSHEN WIND ENERGY PROJECT IS APPROVED, NEXTERA WILL SECURE WILDLIFE HABITAT FOR THE TUNDRA SWANS AND THE

SAFETY OF OUR SENIOR CITIZENS IN PARTICULAR, AND ADDRESS CONCERNS AS THEY MAY ARISE IN A SENSITIVE, RESPECTFUL AND COMPETENT MANNER.

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2. What questions or concerns did you have about the Goshen Wind Energy Centre project?

NONE

Health effects.

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

Yes

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

NONE

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

Yes
Hopefully lower power cost.
reduce need for coal Hydro Plants.

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

Looks like a honest company.

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Set back from residential areas and noise/vibration issues.

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

No. No knowledge on vibration issues.

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

What is being done to reduce noise/vibration nuisance.

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

No, will create nuisances and
visually pollute an area known for
natural beauty.

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

Like trying to stop a steam roller.

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of towers
roadways

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

YES

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

Good + Bad - My wife does not like
the looks

- Some economic benefit

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Some farms will have and some will
not have windmills. All will be forced
to look at them. Some will get paid
and some will not.

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- HOW FAR AWAY FROM A RESIDENCE

- DISTANCE FROM ROAD.

- DO THEY HAVE TO BE CLOSE TO A BACK FENCE LINE

- COULD THEY BE PLACED IN THE MIDDLE OF A FARM
IF ACCESS WAS FROM A SIDEROAD.

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

YES.

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

- WHAT ARE THE LAND LEASE AGREEMENTS LIKE
FOR THE LAND OWNER.

- WHAT BENEFITS TO THE LANDOWNER IF THESE
TOWERS ARE BUILT



5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community? If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

- YES.
- A CLEAN RENEWABLE WAY TO PRODUCE ENERGY.
- THEY DO NOT TAKE UP MUCH LAND USE
- GOOD LOCATION
-

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

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wanted general information.

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

Yes.

4. What remaining ^(time frame) questions or concerns do you have about this project?

- 1) How long from the beginning of the project until completion*
- 2) May this project not even happen.*



5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community? If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

Yes.

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

Lots. Very informative open house -

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How MANY TURBINES INVOLVED

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

YES

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

NONE



5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community? If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

It will make work for a period of construction

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

That they are doing wind studies.

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PROPOSAL OF PROJECT

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

NOISE LEVELS, LOCATION OF PROJECT, DEPTH OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

NONE AT THIS POINT

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

DON'T BELIEVE IT WILL BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY
AT ALL. PROPERTY VALUES WILL PROBABLY DECREASE
OUR ENERGY COSTS WILL NOT CHANGE. THE SCENIC
VIEW WILL BE DIMINISHED.

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

APPEAR TO BE VERY PROFESSIONAL & WILLING TO SHARE
INFO.

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DOWNLOADED FROM WEBSITE ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION

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5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
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Yes, curious if power will be sold back
to Hydro One

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- ① how big the towers are - hydro output
- ② how many
- ③ set backs

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

yes

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

not many

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

yes - ① will help out Land owners
Supplement income
② construction workers will benefit
③ Cement Co. etc.

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

Lot of hoops to go through
prior to any soil being turned

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2. What questions or concerns did you have about the Goshen Wind Energy Centre project?

Health Problems

3. Were your questions/concerns answered to your satisfaction? If no, please explain.

yes

4. What remaining questions or concerns do you have about this project?

No NF

5. In your opinion, do you think this project will be beneficial to your community?
If yes, what do you think the benefits of this project will be? If no, why not?

Yes

6. What did you learn about NextEra Energy Canada or the Goshen Wind Energy project?

Were well towers be located

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July 12, 2012

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Dear <Name>:

Regarding: Comments from the Goshen Wind Energy Centre Public Meeting

NextEra Energy Canada, ULC (NextEra) would like to thank you for attending the public meeting on June 29, 2010 for the Goshen Wind Energy Centre. As you are aware, NextEra, together with Canadian Green Power (CGP), commenced the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) Process for the Project in accordance with Ontario Regulation 359/09 (O. Reg. 359/09), the regulation governing renewable energy projects in Ontario.

NextEra takes communication with our communities seriously. Our commitment is to communicate openly and honestly with the public while we are developing and constructing the wind generation facilities.

We will continue that commitment once the wind energy centres are operational. We want to be the first and best source of information about our facility. We also want to develop and plan in a manner that is consistent with community needs and expectations.

The Goshen Wind Energy Centre will be located on private land in Huron County east of Highway 21. NextEra, along with CGP, is also proposing two additional wind energy projects, the Bluewater and Jericho Wind Energy Centres, both located within the vicinity of this Project. Although separate REA applications will be submitted for each wind centre, our assessment will take into consideration cumulative noise effects of the three projects, as well as any other wind projects currently under development and within three kilometres of our defined project areas.

We thank you for your interest in the Project and appreciate your time in providing comments. As a result of the feedback we received, we are pleased to provide you with the following information outlining common comments from the public meeting and our responses. It is our intention to provide a summary of these topics to ensure all attendees receive answers to their questions, and the questions posed by other participants.

If you have a specific question that is not addressed in the information that follows, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us directly. Contact information for the Project team is provided at the end of this letter.

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Visual Effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Visual Impact Assessment for the Project will be completed. This assessment will use Geographic Information System (GIS) technology to identify areas of potential changes in the viewscape. Locations most susceptible to effects are small villages and hamlets, as well as individual residences from where the proposed Project will be visible. As a result of the assessment, visualizations will be produced to simulate and communicate changes in the viewscape to interested members of the public.
Number of Turbines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The final number of turbines to be built for this Project will depend on a number of factors. These include the wind resource, siting restrictions, such as setback distances, socio-economic or natural environment constraints, the capacity of the electrical grid, and interest shown by local landowners. In addition, the type of turbine technology selected can also affect the number of turbines as some turbines generate a greater amount of electricity, and therefore, reduce the number of turbines required. • The selection of turbine technology is based on its sound and power curve profiles as well as the manufacturer's ability to meet Domestic Content requirements within the Ontario Power Authority's Feed-In Tariff contracts. A number of turbine manufacturers and types are being considered; these include GE and Siemens. The maximum proposed size is between 64 and 100 turbines ranging in capacity from 1.6-megawatts to 2.5-megawatts with a maximum name plate capacity of 150-megawatts.
Proximity to Lake Huron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All wind turbines will be located east of Highway 21. Therefore, no wind turbines for the proposed Wind Energy Centre will be located between Highway 21 and Lake Huron.
Turbine Locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra is currently working through the exercise of siting the turbines. This process involves balancing the wind resource with environmental, socio-economic and engineering constraints, while at the same time adhering to the setback distances prescribed by the Province and outlined in O. Reg. 359/09. This regulation stipulates specific setback distances to various features such as houses and schools, as well as wetlands and environmentally sensitive areas. • In addition, detailed turbine siting on individual properties will be conducted in consultation with the landowner and in compliance with all provincial and federal requirements. Upon completing the turbine layout, NextEra will release its plans for public review and comment, including a list of all the setback distances used.
Turbine and Transmission Line Siting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • O.Reg 359/09 stipulates that wind turbines are to be located at a minimum setback distance from neighbouring property boundaries, equivalent to the blade length plus 10 metres unless the neighbouring landowner agrees to a smaller distance. • The collection cables from the turbines to the step-up transformer station will be buried and will typically be located under or alongside the access roads. The locations of the underground cables and access roads will be determined in consultation with the landowners and will also respect the setback requirements defined in O. Reg. 359/09. • The collection system from the step-up transformer station to the connection point with the Provincial electricity grid will be located on private property, or within existing road right-of-ways, and will be either buried or mounted on existing hydro poles. The local utility company may require NextEra to erect additional poles, or replace undersized poles, in order to accommodate the collection line (if road right-of-

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	<p>ways are used) but these will be located within the road right-of-ways and kept to a minimum. The interconnection plan for any wind farm is subject to study, design and engineering by the Integrated Electricity System Operator (IESO) which manages our provincial electricity system (the “grid”), Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI), which owns the transmission lines, the local distribution company and the Ontario Energy Board (OEB), who regulates the industry through the Transmission System Code and the Distribution System Code.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A proposed turbine layout will be made available for public review and comment. This layout will identify the proposed placement of turbines based on the setbacks established by the Province and NextEra’s assessments. The proposed location and types of transmission lines will also be assessed during the REA process, and will be presented at the next public meeting.
<p>Cumulative Effects</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra Energy Canada must consider the potential noise from other nearby wind turbines (within 3 km) when designing our project to ensure that the overall noise levels do not exceed the noise threshold set by the Ministry of Environment.
<p>Electricity Costs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On November 23, 2010, the Government of Ontario released its Long-Term Energy Plan, which is a 20-year plan to guide the Province’s electricity system. This plan outlines the goals for Ontario’s electricity system, as well as its future supply mix. We invite you to review the report which is available on the Ontario Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure’s website: http://www.mei.gov.on.ca/en/energy/. • The cost of wind power generation is competitive with other newly-installed power sources. Once turbines are installed, the cost of generating wind power will remain steady for decades. The fuel (wind) is free. By contrast, electricity prices have risen steadily across Canada over time. Regulations to make polluters pay for their emissions will mean that the cost of power from fossil fuels will continue to rise, on top of normal market fluctuations. Under the terms of our contract with the Ontario Power Authority, any economic benefits from future pollution regulation will flow to the government. • Comparing the cost of new generation, such as wind, to the cost of power from existing and legacy generation, such as coal and hydro, is an unfair comparison. The comparison of cost should be between different types of generation if they were to be built today. The majority of Ontario’s current energy mix and resulting spot price is a result of old assets, whose capital costs were financed and accounted for years ago. Therefore, their operating costs are much lower. Additionally, power prices in Ontario are still heavily regulated and do not reflect the true cost of power in the market. • The Government of Ontario’s Long Term Energy Plan is to displace coal-fired generation with renewable energy. Other forms of electricity have hidden costs related to health. A 2005 study prepared for the government of Ontario found that the average annual health-related damages due to coal could top \$3 billion (DSS Management Consultants Inc., RWDI Air Inc. 2005. Cost Benefit Analysis: Replacing Ontario’s Coal-Fired Electricity Generation). • A recent study out of Harvard found that if one adds in the hidden costs of coal then its actual price is more like 9-27 cents higher per kilowatt hour (Epstein <i>et al.</i> 2011. Full Cost Accounting for the Life Cycle of Coal in <i>Ecological Economics Reviews</i>).

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	<p>The authors write:</p> <p><i>“Each stage in the life cycle of coal—extraction, transport, processing, and combustion—generates a waste stream and carries multiple hazards for health and the environment. These costs are external to the coal industry and are thus often considered externalities. We estimate that the life cycle effects of coal and the waste stream generated are costing the U.S. public a third to over one-half of a trillion dollars annually. Many of these so-called externalities are, moreover, cumulative. Accounting for the damages conservatively doubles to triples the price of electricity from coal per kWh generated, making wind, solar, and other forms of nonfossil fuel power generation, along with investments in efficiency and electricity conservation methods, economically competitive.”</i></p>
<p>Landowner Agreements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is common practice for wind energy developers to compensate landowners for hosting a wind turbine and associated infrastructure (i.e., access roads and electrical collection lines) for the duration of a project. This compensation is generally in the form of a fixed annual payment dependent upon the number of turbines installed on the landowners’ property. These payments are intended to compensate for the small loss of acreage resulting from hosting the project on their property.
<p>Community Benefits</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landowners benefit from having a guaranteed source of revenue in addition to agriculture-based, seasonal revenue for hosting a wind turbine or associated infrastructure. This helps stabilize the overall economic prosperity of the community, while allowing traditional land-use practices to continue undisturbed. • Wind turbines contribute to the municipal tax base while not requiring any municipal services such as water, sewer, road clearing, etc. • Each individual Project in this area will create between 5 and 10 full-time jobs and will result in the location of an Operations Centre in one of the communities to serve the project(s). These individuals will live within the local community, pay property taxes, send their children to the local schools, volunteer at community organizations, etc.
<p>Local Content and Local Employment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>Green Energy Act</i> requires that wind projects which generate greater than 10 kW of power include a specified amount of goods and services from Ontario. This is a requirement issued to the project’s developer as part of receiving a Feed-in Tariff Contract from the Ontario Power Authority. The exact amount is based on the year the project will reach commercial operation; projects that enter commercial operation in 2012 or after, require a minimum of 50% domestic content. The minimum domestic content requirements are intended to provide a positive economic stimulus to the local economy and to increase local jobs associated with the green energy industry.
<p>Property Values</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numerous studies have been conducted that indicate that wind farms do not have a negative impact on property values. For links to these studies, please see: www.CanadianWindProposals.com.

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<p>Effects to Wildlife, including Birds and Bats</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential effects to wildlife, including birds and bats, are being assessed as part of the REA application. NextEra will meet all of the requirements for conducting baseline wildlife, bird and bat studies, as described in the O. Reg. 359/09 and set out in guidelines prepared by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), Environment Canada and the Canadian Wildlife Service. These guidelines include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval and Permitting Requirements Document for Renewable Energy Projects (September 2009) • Natural Heritage Assessment Guide for Renewable Energy Projects (December 2010) • Bats and Bat Habitats – Guidelines for Wind Power Projects (March 2010) • Birds and Bird Habitats – Guidelines for Wind Power Projects (October 2010) • By adhering to prescribed setback distances for siting wind turbines adjacent to natural features and through the application of appropriate mitigation and avoidance measures, it is anticipated that all concerns regarding potential environmental effects will be satisfied. Furthermore, all work plans and results will be reviewed by the MNR and any comments received from MNR staff will be addressed to their satisfaction. • The Audubon Society released a statement on wind power in Audubon Magazine in 2006 (http://policy.audubon.org/audubon-statement-wind-power), an excerpt is provided below: <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><i>“On balance, Audubon strongly supports wind power as a clean alternative energy source that reduces the threat of global warming. Location, however, is important. Many National Audubon Society Chapters and State Programs are actively involved in wind-power siting issues in their communities. Each project has a unique set of circumstances and should be evaluated on its own merits.”</i></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"><i>“Every source of energy has some environmental consequences. Most of today's rapidly growing demand for energy is now being met by natural gas and expanded coal-burning power plants, which are [the United States'] single greatest source of the greenhouse-gas emissions that cause global warming. If we don't find ways to reduce these emissions, far more birds—and people—will be threatened by global warming than by wind turbines. Our challenge is thus to help design and locate wind-power projects that minimize the negative impacts on birds.”</i></p> • At NextEra, we are committed to developing and operating our facilities in an environmentally responsible manner, including promoting awareness and protection of wildlife that inhabit surrounding property. We care about the potential impacts that wind facilities may have, and we take actions to ensure that our projects are sited properly to minimize impacts. In addition, we support a variety of research initiatives including our own five year research partnership with Texas Christian University and Oxford University to study, in part, the interaction of birds and bats with wind turbines. We hope this research will help us do an even better job in the future of siting and operating wind farms to further minimize the potential for bird and bat impacts.

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Tundra Swan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra is conducting ongoing consultation with organizations such as Lambton Wildlife to identify local issues including swan migration routes and stopover areas. This information will be included in the baseline environmental data collected over the course of the Project development and used to identify appropriate turbine setbacks.
Effects to Livestock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind turbines occupy only a small fraction of the land they are sited on and work in harmony with its established uses. Farming and grazing continue undisturbed. In general, a turbine in a typical wind farm including foundation and access roads will use 1.0 – 1.5% of a typical 40 hectare farm parcel. • NextEra Energy Resources operates over 85 wind farms amidst a variety of agricultural uses and livestock operations, including in the heart of Wisconsin dairy operations and Ohio corn and bean crop rotations. It has not been NextEra’s experience that wind turbine operations have had any negative impact on livestock or crops. Quite the opposite in fact, many landowners find that the guaranteed income from hosting a wind turbine helps to stabilize the economics of their operations.
Health Concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra takes concerns about human health very seriously. Although much has been written about health effects associated with wind turbines, we have found no credible, scientifically peer-reviewed study that demonstrates a link between wind turbines and negative health effects. On the contrary, the study “Wind Turbine Sound and Health Effects: An Expert Panel Review” had the following key conclusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no evidence that the audible or sub-audible sounds emitted by wind turbines have any direct adverse physiological effects. • The sounds emitted by wind turbines are not unique. There is no reason to believe, based on the sound levels and frequencies of the sounds and the panel’s experience with sound exposures in occupational settings, that the sounds from wind turbines could plausibly have direct adverse health consequences. • The full report can be found in the Canadian Wind Energy Association’s website: www.canwea.ca/pdf/talkwind/Wind_Turbine_Sound_and_Health_Effects.pdf and on: www.CanadianWindProposals.com. • In their recent decision on the Kent Breeze Wind project in Chatham-Kent, the Ontario Ministry of Environment states: <p><i>“The Chief Medical Officer of Health agreed to undertake a review of existing information and to consult with the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion and local medical officers of health on health effects related to wind turbines. The results of the review and consultation were published on May 20, 2010 and released in a report titled “The Potential Health Impacts of Wind Turbines”. The review concluded that scientific evidence available to date does not demonstrate a direct causal link between wind turbine noise and adverse health effects. The sound level from wind turbines at common residential setbacks is not sufficient to cause hearing impairment or other direct health effects, and there is no scientific evidence to date that vibration from low frequency wind turbine noise causes adverse health effects.</i></p> <p><i>Regarding shadow flicker, a common concern is its possible relationship to epilepsy. The Chatham-Kent Board of Health reviewed potential impacts in</i></p>

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	<p><i>their report dated June 2008 and stated that ‘The frequency of wind turbines is well below the current known documented threshold for triggering epilepsy symptoms.’</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The American Epilepsy Foundation has indicated that flashing lights most likely to trigger a seizure occur at frequencies between 5 to 30 Hertz (Hz) – shadow flicker generated by wind turbines, however, has a frequency well below that level, and ranges from 0.5 to 1.25 Hz. • Additionally, the Province of Ontario has appointed Dr. Siva Sivothythaman at the University of Waterloo as the Ontario Research Chair in Renewable Energy Technologies and Health. This position is dedicated to “actively monitoring and providing the latest in scientific research and data about any possible health impacts of renewable energy.” • Finally, NextEra will have a construction and operations communication program in place to address any concerns related to the project, should they arise.
Stray Voltage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra will use Industry Best Practices in the design of the Project to minimize the risk of stray voltage to consumers and to ensure our projects are built and maintained within acceptable levels as prescribed by the Distribution System Code and the Electrical Safety Authority. • Most cases of stray voltage occur when there is either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improper grounding of on-site equipment (in which case it is an issue with on-site wiring). • A change in current patterns on the distribution line, from generation or load, that exposes a pre-existing condition (in which case it is an issue with the distribution utility, not with the generator or load). • The turbines are therefore not the root of the problem, but like any change to the system, may expose faults in that system. All types of generation (wind generation using wind turbines included) must fully comply with utility requirements to ensure that the electricity they supply is compliant with grid standards. • Stray voltage problems require on-site inspection for grounding problems, or examination of power quality issues with the distribution utility. • If you think you have a stray voltage problem, please contact your local utility company. • For additional information on the effects of stray voltage on livestock, see the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) website: www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/livestock/dairy/facts/strayvol.htm
Sound	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind projects must show that they meet the sound limit requirements prescribed by the Ministry of Environment. For non-participating residences (those that are not a part of the project) the sound limit is 40 decibels (dBA). This is quieter than many sources of sound within a home. NextEra takes great care to ensure that it is in compliance with the noise requirements. For most houses, the sound levels will be well below the 40 dBA limit. When our projects become operational we commit to quickly addressing any concerns that arise regarding sound from our wind farm.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In addition, sound from a wind turbine diminishes over distance, as such; NextEra meets or exceeds the 550 metre minimum setback distance required by the Province between wind turbines and dwellings. As well, NextEra is undertaking sound modelling to ensure the Project is in compliance with O. Reg. 359/09 and the maximum permissible sound levels outlined in the Ontario Ministry of Environment’s “Noise Guidelines for Wind Farms (2008)”. NextEra will also use sound modelling to determine if any additional setbacks are required based on the potential cumulative effect of multiple turbines from the Goshen, Bluewater and Jericho Wind Energy Centres, with potential sound effects from other wind projects in the vicinity, proposed by other wind energy developers.
Vibration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With regard to vibration, no potential effects beyond those which would typically be associated with construction activities, for example construction traffic on roads and drilling turbine foundations, are anticipated.
Odour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turbines themselves do not produce odours. As odours associated with agricultural practices (e.g., odours generated from livestock production) are at ground level, NextEra does not anticipate odour magnification.
PCB Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The use of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) was banned from new equipment in Canada in the 1980s. The new step-up transformers proposed for the Project will contain an approved dielectric fluid, such as silicone oils or transformer-grade mineral oil. As such, no PCBs will be used in, or stored by, the Project. • Wind farms use very few hazardous materials. There are oils and other lubricants used in the turbine and transformers. NextEra strictly follows all spill prevention and material handling regulations to minimize any chance of potential effects from accidental spills.
Construction and Operation/ Maintenance Reports and Turbine Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra will complete a ‘Construction Plan Report’ and a ‘Design and Operations Report’ as part of its REA submission for the proposed Goshen Wind Energy Centre. The requirements of these reports are outlined in O. Reg. 359/09. These reports will outline construction and installation activities and an overall operations plan that includes effects monitoring and maintenance plans. These reports will be made available for public review and comment. An operations building will also be constructed on privately held lands. This building will be used to monitor the day-to-day operations of the wind energy centre and to support maintenance efforts as outlined in the ‘Design and Operations Report’. • Modern wind turbines are very reliable and the major components are designed to operate for approximately twenty-five years. It’s important to keep in mind that wind turbines are large and complex electromechanical devices with rotating equipment and many components. With large numbers of turbines it is inevitable that component failures will occur despite the high reliability of the turbines fleet-wide. These repairs can usually be carried out within a few hours. • Our state-of-the-art operations command center is one of a few in the wind industry and has a major role in remotely managing wind turbine operation. The Fleet Performance and Diagnostic Center maintains continuous oversight of wind turbines at our sites. When our site personnel have gone home for the evening, the command

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	<p>center staff is monitoring their wind turbines and can run diagnostic tests on turbines or adjust operations as needed. The center collects data that enables NextEra Energy Resources to schedule predictive maintenance to help ensure efficient operation.</p>
<p>Bluewater Wind Energy By-law and Municipal Consultation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra is conducting Project planning in compliance with the current Provincial regulation governing renewable energy projects in Ontario, O. Reg. 359/09, as amended in January 2011. This regulation sets out specific siting requirements for wind turbines, including setback distances, effects assessment studies, public and municipal consultation, etc. As a result, the Project will not specifically adhere to the “Bluewater Wind Energy” setback by-law. However, as part of the consultation process and to fulfill the REA requirements, the Township of Bluewater and the County of Huron will be consulted throughout the Project planning process. • The Consultation Report, which will be included as part of the REA application and made available for public review and comment, will document the consultation process, including discussions with municipal governments with regards to setback issues.
<p>Effects on Aerodrome</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are both federal regulations to comply with, and industry best practices to adhere to, that we are undertaking to ensure that wind turbines will not include any physical obstructions to departure/approach areas and any issues with aircraft/aerodrome radar technology are addressed. In addition, NextEra has been conducting consultation with the Centralia/James T. Field Memorial Aerodrome and the Grand Bend Sport Parachuting Centre to identify any potential siting considerations.
<p>Notification of Meetings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Notices advertising the June 2010 open houses were distributed according to the requirements outlined in Section 15 of O. Reg. 359/09 (the pre-amendment regulation). In summary, this stated that the Notice advertising a public open house must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • distributed at least 30 days prior to the first public meeting; • advertised on two separate days in a newspaper with general circulation within 25 km of the Project location; • displayed on the proponent’s website; and lastly, • provided to owners of land within 120 m of the Project location. • NextEra will continue to notify stakeholders of open houses in compliance with O. Reg. 359/09.
<p>Format of the Public Open House</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is our experience that meetings structured in an Open House format are the most effective way to communicate a large amount of information to members of the community. This provides local stakeholders with an opportunity to speak face-to-face with Project representatives and to ask the questions that are within their areas of interest. In addition, we understand that not all members of the public are comfortable asking questions in front of a large audience; as such, one-on-one discussions are an effective tool to encourage all interested parties to participate in a discussion. There are many subject matter experts involved in the planning, design, engineering, construction, permitting and development of a wind energy project. An open house format allows attendees to draw on the full range of expertise of these professionals.

Topic	Response
Social Effects Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NextEra is looking into potential social effects raised by local stakeholders through the consultation activities we undertake. Some issues being addressed include: health effects, property values, visual effects, community benefits and effects related to sound. In addition, our siting assessments are being undertaken to minimize potential effects to agricultural activities and natural heritage systems. • Information on each of these potential social effects will be included in the Project Description Report (PDR) and the Consultation Report being completed for the Project.
Trespassing Using Turbine Right of Ways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the turbines and access roads will be located on private properties, any unauthorized access will be considered trespassing. In order to discourage trespassing, NextEra will work with landowners to ensure that the access roads are gated, and/or that the appropriate signage is put in place.

Information on the Goshen Wind Energy Centre will continue to be updated and posted as the proposed Project progresses. Further information on the Project can be found in the draft Project Description Report (PDR) for the Goshen Wind Energy Centre. The PDR is posted online at: www.CanadianWindProposals.com.

If you have any further questions or comments, or if you would like to set up a meeting with the Project team, please do not hesitate to contact me at 1-877-257-7330, or by email at Goshen.Wind@nexteraenergy.com.

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