

Appendix A

Record of Agency Consultation

Agency	Information Source/Method and Date of Consultation	Information Obtained
Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA)	Geoff Cade (Supervisor of Water and Planning) and Andrew Bicknell (Regulations Co-ordinator/ Officer) Meeting (ABCA offices) August 12, 2010	ABCA provided constraints used to guide preliminary turbine layout, based on Land Information Ontario (LIO), Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) and Natural Resources and Values Information System (NRVIS) databases. Request made to ABCA for aquatic data including water quality, benthic macroinvertebrates, fisheries, generic regulation mapping, stream flow, and any available relevant terrestrial information.
	 Geoff Cade, Andrew Bicknell and Tracy Boitson (GIS/CAD Information Systems Specialist) Meeting (ABCA offices) May 2, 2011 	Preliminary discussion regarding the permitting process and previous background data request.
	Tracy BoitsonEmail correspondenceMay 15, 2011	Received fish survey data and locations and associated data from ABCA: ABCA Shape files (1999) Regulation Limit 1 m Contours Natural Features Watershed Boundary ABCA ESAs Waterflow with thermal regimes and names
	Tracy BoitsonEmail correspondenceJuly 20, 2011	Requested average annual high water mark data from ABCA. Advised that ABCA does not have this information.
	Geoff CadePhone conversationNovember 16, 2011	Conversation with ABCA regarding the CA regulation limits and required setbacks of infrastructure from watercourses. ABCA advised that setbacks required by REA may not be the same as watercourse setbacks determined by the CA.
	Andrew Bicknell Phone conversation November 22, 2011	Follow-up discussion with A. Bicknell regarding CA setbacks from watercourses. Also discussed ideas to streamline the O. Reg 147/06 (Regulation of development, interference with wetlands and alterations to shorelines and watercourses) permitting process, such as issuing a blanket permit for the entire study.
	Tracy BoitsonEmail correspondenceNovember 30, 2011	Email to ABCA requesting year of drain classifications.
	Tracy BoitsonEmail correspondenceDecember 1, 2011	ABCA replied that drain classification data are from 1999.
	Tracey McPherson Email correspondence March 12, 2012	Information request to ABCA for records for the updated Goshen Project Study Area: In Contours Regulation limit Fish records Natural Features Watershed Boundary ABCA ESAs Waterflow with thermal regimes and names Information received from ABCA on March 26, 2012

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	Andrew Bicknell Meeting (ABCA office) May 15, 2012	 Request made for the ABCA floodline mapping for the Goshen Project Study Area Received floodline mapping from ABCA on June 8, 2012
	Tracey McPhersonEmail correspondenceJune 5, 2012	• Email to ABCA asking for clarification with drain classifications provided in shapefiles. Specifically that: F is intermittent, U is unknown and T is tiled.
	Tracey McPherson Email correspondence June 5, 2012	ABCA confirmed data assumptions from June 5, 2012 email is correct.
Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) – Clinton Office	Tara Lessard (Acting Area Biologist) Phone conversation/email correspondence September 7, 2010	Discussion regarding a blanket Scientific Collector's Permit (SCP) for each Project Study Area. MNR confirmed they would prefer a specific list of watercourses to be surveyed before a permit will be given. A SCP can be issued quickly, but Species-at-Risk (SAR) permits can take three (3) months to one (1) year to be developed and approved.
	Tara Lessard (Acting Area Biologist)Email correspondenceSeptember 7, 2010	T. Lessard followed up with an email documenting the phone conversation held on September 7, 2010.
	 Tara Lessard Phone conversation December 15, 2010	 MNR suggested that a specific list of water bodies/crossing locations be provided to MNR in order for them to provide fish records.
	Tara LessardEmail correspondenceDecember 20, 2010	 Further to the phone conversation on December 15th, 2010, MNR suggested that AECOM provide MNR with a spreadsheet identifying locations that require fish records.
	Tara LessardEmail correspondenceFebruary 7, 2011	• Response to April Nix's email dated February 7th, 2011, indicating that Clinton office will be providing fish records not the Guelph District MNR office. MNR wanted to know if specific locations for fish records had been narrowed down instead of providing fish records for entire Goshen Project Study Area.
	Tara Lessard Email correspondence March 11, 2011	 Follow-up to correspondence on February 7, 2011 regarding fish records. MNR indicated that they need to make modifications to the current fish database before facilitating a fish information request of this size.
	Chris Godwin (Acting Area Biologist) Phone conversation May 18, 2011	 Requested the following data from MNR for the entire Project Study Area: Fish records; Water temperature; Habitat mapping; Benthic macroinvertebrate data; SAR records – C. Godwin indicated that he could only release SAR records with permission from colleague Pud Hunter (SAR biologist Guelph); and,
		 Mussel records MNR provided may of stream classification on May 20, 2011 and confirmed data requested on May 18, 2011 will be compiled for the Project Study Area. Received fisheries records, fish habitat and benthic macroinvertebrate data and water quality information on June 20, 2011 in response to May 18, 2011 request.

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	Chris Godwin	Data request for Project Study Area.
	Email correspondence	- Fish records;
	October 24, 2011	- Habitat mapping;
		- Benthic macroinvertebrate data;
		- Mussel records
		Data received November 1, 2011
	Chris Godwin	Request for MNR fish records for the entire Project Study Area.
	Email correspondence	Data received November 11, 2011
	 November 1, 2011 	
	Chris Godwin	• Email to MNR requesting source and date of drain classification information received from May 18th 2011 data request.
	Email correspondence	
	 November 30, 2011 	
	Chris Godwin	MNR indicated that the Huron/Perth watercourse layer was built in 1996 and is based on the current and historical
	Email correspondence	records at that time. This layer is periodically updated and is maintained by the Clinton area office.
	• December 1, 2011	
	Chris Godwin	Fish record data request for updated Goshen Project Study Area
	Email correspondence	MNR advised that information from the December 20, 2011 data request from has been compiled and is in the mail.
	• December 20, 2011	Data received January 2012.
	Chris Godwin	Data request for MNR stream classification for Goshen Transmission Study Area
	Email correspondence	Data received April 20th, 2012 from April 5, 2012 data request
	• April 5, 2012	
	Chris Godwin	Data request for Goshen Transmission Study Area.
	Email correspondence	- Fish records;
	• April 18, 2012	- Habitat mapping;
		- Benthic macroinvertebrate data;
		- Mussel records
	Chris Godwin	• MNR advised that data has been compiled according to request from April 18 and is in the mail. Data received May 4,
	Email correspondence	2012.
	• May 1, 2012	
MNR - Guelph	April Nix (Renewable Energy Planning Ecologist)	Email to MNR requesting fish records for the Goshen Project Study Area.
Office	Email correspondence	
	• February 7, 2011	
	April Nix (Renewable Energy Planning Ecologist)	Response to email from February 7, 2011, indicating that Tara Lessard will provide fish records.
	Email correspondence	
	• February 7, 2011	
	April Nix (Renewable Energy Planning Ecologist)	MNR confirmed the Great Lakes are not considered Lake Trout Lakes for the purpose of REA regulation. Only lakes
	Email correspondence	listed in the Inland Ontario Lakes Designated for Lake Trout Management (May 2006) are considered Lake Trout Lakes
	March 28, 2011	for the regulation.

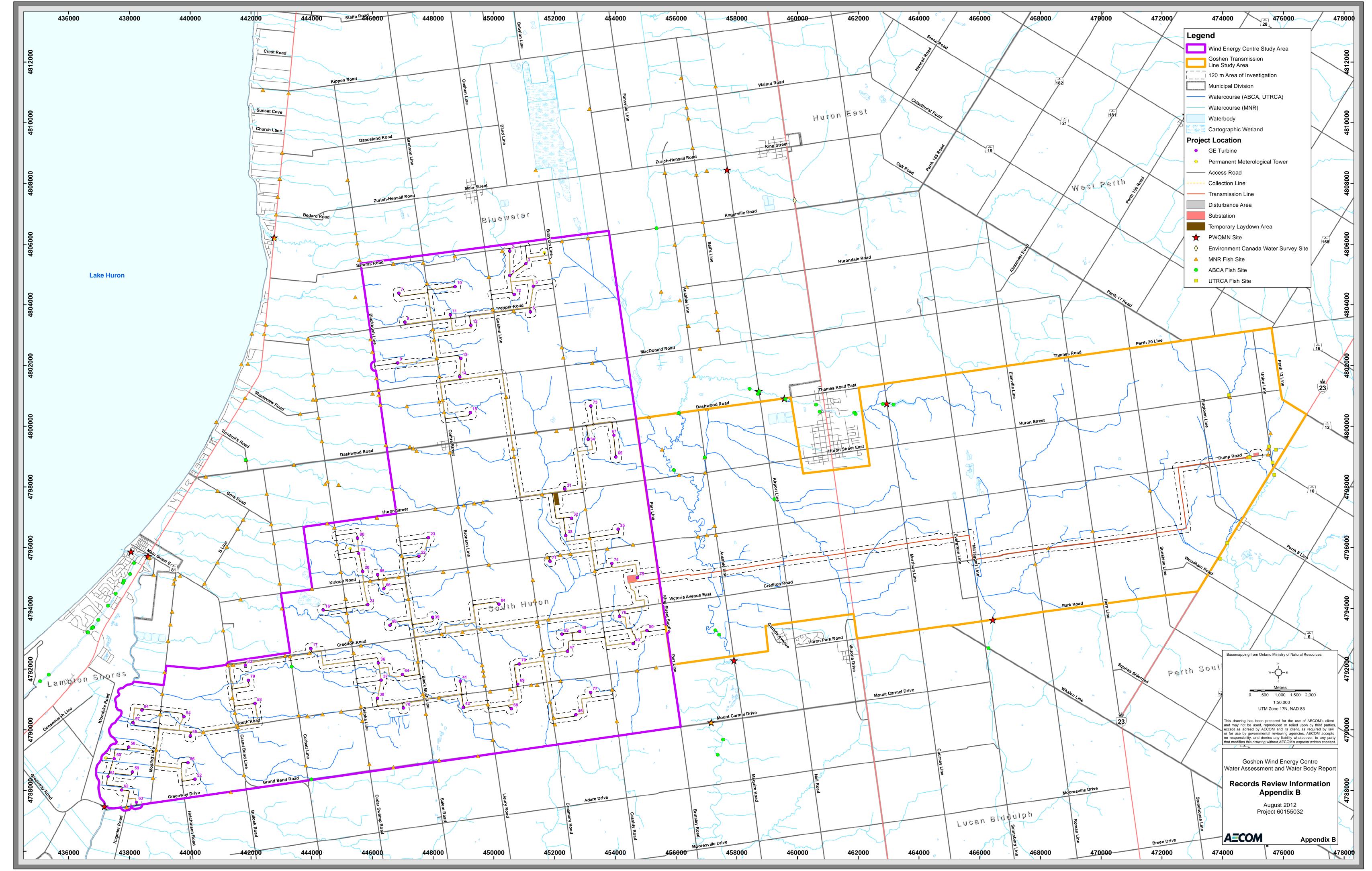
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Ministry of the Environment (MOE)	Shannon McNeil (Senior Project Evaluator - REA) Phone conversation March 28, 2011 Shannon McNeil	 Discussed the requirements for the water bodies field investigations, specifically regarding the need for water quality samples, stream flow surveys, fish community surveys and if MOE requires a field work plan. MOE confirmed that laboratory analysis for water quality was not required. MOE does not require proponent to collect water velocity readings and that this can be done through records review. Sent a summary of information exchanged in the previous phone conversation (28/03/11).
	Email correspondence March 31, 2011	
	Shannon McNeil Email correspondence May 11, 2011	MOE confirmed that the Water Bodies work plan does not require MOE approval prior to conducting site investigations.
	Shannon McNeil Email correspondence October 14, 2011	Requested advice from MOE regarding the protocol for the MOE water bodies Alternative Site Investigation.
	Shannon McNeilPhone conversationOctober 20, 2011	 Response from MOE regarding requirements for Alternative Site Investigations. MOE suggested that use of any records review data available, physical site investigations of sites upstream and downstream and studies from adjacent properties is acceptable to MOE.
	Shannon McNeil Email correspondence November 3, 2011	Submitted protocol to MOE for Alternative Site Investigations for feedback on the proposed methodology.
	Shannon McNeilEmail correspondenceNovember 16, 2011	 Summary of discussions regarding Alternative Site Investigations from previous email correspondence (Oct 14th, 2011) and phone conversation (20th October 2011) was documented through email. MOE confirmed records were accurate representation of discussion.
	Shannon McNeilPhone conversationNovember 29, 2011	Discussion regarding classification of certain water features (i.e., ponds that are considered REA) and requirements for Water Bodies Report. MOE suggested that it is up to NextEra as to how the ponds should be classified. They recommended that on-line ponds should be treated as REA water bodies given that they are connected to watercourses.
Huron County	Claire Dodds (Municipality of South Huron) Email correspondence November 1, 2011	Email to the Municipality to request water bodies information relevant to the project. The Municipality suggested contacting ABCA for this information.
Municipality of Bluewater	Arlene Parker (Municipality of Bluewater) Email correspondence November 1, 2011	Email to the Municipality of Bluewater to request water bodies information relevant to the project. The Municipality suggested contacting the MNR and the ABCA for this information. Any information on natural environments, floodplains and wellhead protection areas can be found in the Municipality's Official Plan.
	Arlene Parker Email correspondence November 24, 2011	Data request from the Municipality for municipal drain information for the entire study area.
	Arlene ParkerPhone conversationNovember 28, 2011	In response to email from November 24th, Municipality of Bluewater (Arlene Parker) provided a website where the municipal drain mapping could be obtained.
	Arlene ParkerEmail correspondenceMarch 12, 2012	Email to the municipality for municipal drain information for the updated Goshen study area.
	Arlene Parker Email correspondence	Municipality suggested consultation with MNR, ABCA to obtain natural heritage information and that the Municipality has previously provided municipal drainage information that will cover this study area.

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	• April 24, 2012	
Municipality of South Huron	Trista Russel Email correspondence November 1, 2011	Email to the Municipality of South Huron to request for water bodies information relevant to the project.
	Trista RusselEmail correspondenceNovember 24, 2011	Second email to the Municipality of South Huron to request for water bodies information relevant to the project.
	Trista Russel Email correspondence November 29, 2011	The Municipality indicates that there are several municipal drains within the Goshen study area and recommended contacting Huron County for their electronic information regarding these drains.
Upper Thames Conservation Authority (UTRCA)	C Harrington and T Chapman Email correspondence March 13, 2012	Information request for Natural Heritage information, regulation limit mapping and fish records for the entire study area.
	Karen Winfield Email correspondence March 16, 2012	UTRCA provided comments and Regulation limit (O. Reg 157/06) mapping for the Goshen Transmission study area. UTRCA said that given the broad study area they are unable to provide detailed technical comments at this time. They indicated that they can provide digital mapping with boundaries of natural heritage and natural hazard features. Outlined that permits may be required for works within their regulation limit under Ontario Regulation 157/06. Fish Creek is considered mainly warmwater and that fish and mussel records are available from their office.
	Phil SimmEmail correspondenceApril 16, 2012	 Data request to UTRCA for digital shapefiles including boundaries for natural heritage features and hazards UTRCA provided digital shapefiles on April 20th, 2012 in response to data request from April 16th, 2012.
	Cathy Reeves,Email correspondenceMay 2, 2012	 Data request for fish/mussel records and benthic data for the Project Study Area as outlined in email dated March 16, 2012. Received information from May 2, 2012 data request, including fish and benthic invertebrate data, no mussel records were available.



Appendix B

Records Review Mapping





Appendix C

Estimated Zones of Potential Recharge and Discharge Areas

