

Benjamins Mill Wind Project

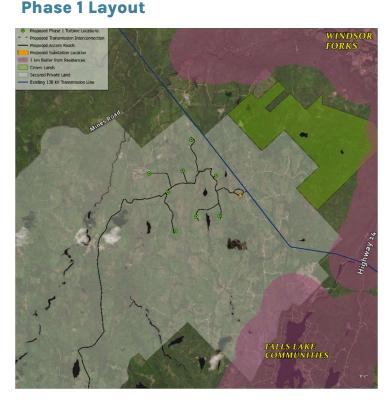
February 2023 - EA Update!

<u>UPDATE:</u> As of February 13, 2023, the Project received approval from the Province on the environmental assessment (EA)!

The EA assessed the potential environmental and socio-economic impacts the Project could have on the surrounding environment and communities, and proposed mitigation measures for these impacts. For more information on the EA, make sure to check out our website!

Join our Community Liaison Committee (CLC)!

As part of the development process, we are looking for community members who are interested in joining a CLC as a way to get involved with the Project, stay up to date, and be a part of the decision-making. Interested? Send us a message using the contact details below!



Project Schedule

To the right are some upcoming anticipated dates to keep in mind.

As like any construction project, this schedule is subject to change. Check out the website for active schedule changes!

Date	Activity
March 24th	Site preparation to begin
Early April	Open house - exact date to be determined!
Late June	Approval of Municipal permitting applications
Early July	Beginning of civil works



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About the Project

The Project is located in West Hants Regional Municipality in Hants County, about 3.6km north of the Falls Lake communities, and 13km southwest of Windsor. The Project will be built in several phases. In total, the Project could have an approximate capacity of up to 150, representing up to 28 turbines. The first phase of the project will consist of 8 turbines, which will generate enough electricity to power about 13,000 Nova Scotian homes.

The milestones that have been accomplished up to this point can be seen in the table to the right.

General Project Location



2020

• September: Wind monitoring began on site

2021

- February: Private lands were secured
- March: Environmental studies began on site
- July: First open house, hosted in-person

2022

- January: Environmental Assessment submitted to the Province
- February: Second open house, hosted online
- May: the Project was bid into the Nova Scotia Rate Base Procurement Program Request for Proposals
- August: the Project was awarded a power contract with Nova Scotia Power

2023

- January: the addendum to the EA was submitted following an additional information request
- February: EA approval was awarded by the minister of NSECC!

About the **Proponent**

The proposed Benjamins Mill Wind Project is being developed by a partnership formed between Natural Forces and Wskijnu'k Mtmo'taqnuow Agency Limited (the Agency).

Natural Forces is a private, independent power producer based in Halifax, Nova Scotia. We deliver renewable energy projects in partnership with local communities across Canada, the United States, and Ireland.

Wskijnu'k Mtmo'taqnuow Agency Ltd (WMA) is a limited partnership made up of the 13 Mi'kmaw bands in Nova Scotia.

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