

Ellershouse Wind Farm Project Community News



Environmental Assessment Approval

On Monday, February 17th, The Ellershouse Wind Farm received a decision from Nova Scotia Environment, regarding approval of the project's Environmental Assessment (EA). This decision outlines the approval of the EA and the conditions that the project must adhere to. To review the decision and its conditions, please visit Nova Scotia Environment's website at:

<https://www.novascotia.ca/nse/ea/ellershouse-wind-project.asp>

Development Agreement Update

Under West Hants' Municipal Planning Strategy, utility-scale wind turbines are subject to Development Agreement (see section 4.22 in the Municipal Planning Strategy). The project has submitted a Development Agreement application to the Municipality and planning staff are preparing a report for recommendation to the West Hants Planning Advisory Committee, whose job is to consider the report and advise Council.

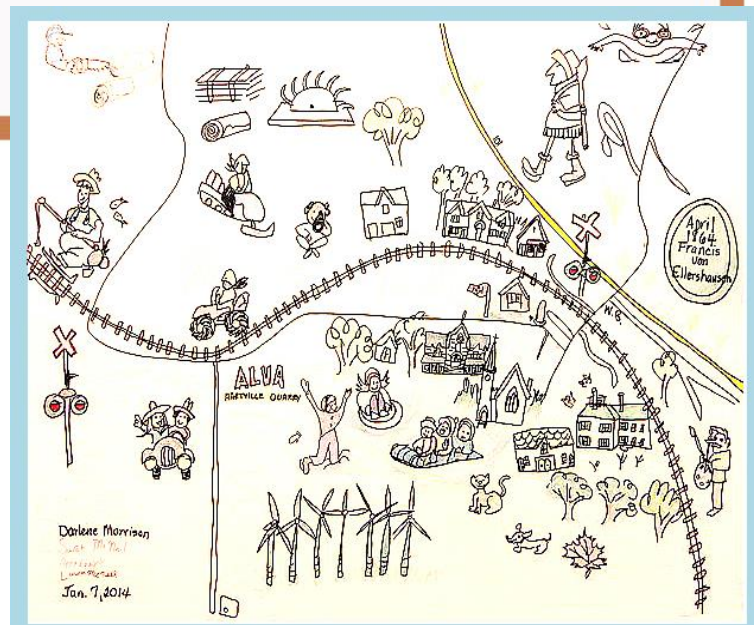
The Municipality is expanding its usual public consultation process and will hold an Information Workshop before a staff report is submitted to the Planning Advisory Committee for review and consideration. If the PAC recommends it, the report will go to Council and a public hearing may be held. The public hearing will be a forum for community input and Council will use this input, as well as the planning report to make a final decision on the project.

If you have any questions about the Development Agreement process, please contact Planning Staff at (902) 798-6905, email planning@westhants.ca
Or visit www.westhants.ca/planning.html

Important Dates

All are welcome to attend the following events:

1. West Hants Planning Staff Public Information Session, **March 12th**, 7-9pm at the Ellershouse Community Hall, 429 Ellershouse Road
2. Ellershouse Community Liaison Committee Meeting, **April 1st**, 6-8pm at the Ellershouse Community Hall, 429 Ellershouse Road



Community Liaison Committee

Meeting – February 25th 2014

On Tuesday evening, February 25th, The Community Liaison Committee of the Ellershouse Wind Farm project met at the Ellershouse Community Hall.

Items discussed at the meeting included:

- **Environmental Assessment approval**
- **Development Agreement process**
- **Local benefits**
- **Project photomontages**
- **Turbine locations**

We look forward to continuing to work with the CLC on the project. The CLC's next meeting will be held on **April 1st**, 6pm, at the Ellershouse Community Hall. All are welcome to attend.

To view meeting minutes, visit

<http://areans.ca/community.html>



Field Trip to Nuttby Wind Farm

Thank you to CLC members and local residents who attended the field trip to the Nuttby Wind Farm on Saturday December 7, 2013. The trip provided a great opportunity to listen to and see turbines in operation as well as better understand the layout of a wind farm site. A big thank you goes to our knowledgeable guide, Steve McRae, who is the wind farm operator and a long-time local resident of the Nuttby area. The Nuttby Wind Farm is a 45MW, 22 turbine wind farm located between Truro and Tatamagouche and has been in operation since 2010.

Included here are some photos from our field trip.



We Want To Hear From You

If you have any questions or concerns about the Wind Farm, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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