



Des Sources Wind Project Newsletter

150 MW

Planned Capacity*

27 000

Homes Powered*

6 à 10

Operations Jobs*

930 000\$

Minimum annual income for participating municipalities*

*estimated

BluEarth Renewables Inc. is committed to engaging stakeholders and community members in the decision-making process for our projects and working together with honest and transparent communications. We are sending this newsletter to provide an update on the development of our Des Sources Wind Project located in the town of Danville and the municipalities of Saint-Georges-de-Windsor and Wotton, all within the MRC des Sources and the ancestral territory of the W8banaki Nation, the Ndakina. Throughout the development phase of the project, we are being assisted by Quebec firm Plan A Capital.

Project Update

Since our last project newsletter, BluEarth has continued its efforts to develop the Des Sources Wind Project.

We have been closely following the information and consultation process of the MRC des Sources and have opted to pause our public consultation sessions until this process is complete. When the MRC des Sources' process is completed and we have more clarity on the next Hydro-Québec request for proposals, we will resume our public consultation sessions to present a project update, consult the community and answer questions. Public consultations will help us to understand the community's concerns and modify the project where practical, while respecting the project's technical constraints.

Over the last year, we have worked to remain active in the community and offer opportunities for community members to stay updated on project development. We have invited more than 15 local groups to meet with our project team and so far, we have had the opportunity to meet with more than half of the groups. We look forward to continuing to meet with local stakeholders over the coming months.

BluEarth was also proud to support local organizations in the community over the last year including, the Chamber of Commerce and Entrepreneurship des Sources, the Centre d'action bénévole des Sources, the Fondation du CSSS des Sources and the Musée des Abénakis. We also attended several local events, including the Chamber of Commerce's Anti-Gala, golf tournament for the Camp Musical Val-des-Sources, as well as the pow-wow in both Odanak and Wôlinak.

Highlights in 2024:

Opened **LOCAL PROJECT OFFICE** in Val-de-Sources

Invitations extended to over **15 LOCAL GROUPS** to meet and learn more about the Des Sources Wind Project

3 PROJECT NEWSLETTERS sent to the local community

Attended approximately **10 LOCAL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND POW-WOWS**

Donations made to **4 LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Want to learn more about the project and share your thoughts with us?

We have updated the project website dessourceswind.ca with a comprehensive FAQ, and additional fact sheets about the project. For more information, we invite you to consult them.

Until our next public consultation sessions, our team is available by phone or email to answer any questions you may have. You can also make an appointment with members of our team to discuss the development of the project by contacting us by email (projects@blueearth.ca) or by phone (819 866-0056).

Environmental Studies

In the next stages of the project, we will complete an environmental impact study, which will provide a comprehensive picture of the physical, biological, and human environment surrounding the project area.

As part of the impact study, we will complete bird and bat inventories to confirm which species use the broader project area and the location of nests and migration corridors. To characterize the birds frequenting the study area, inventories will be completed during spring and fall migration periods in accordance with provincial and federal protocols. Studies will include raptors, forest birds, waterfowl, and special-status species. During the helicopter inventory already completed in 2024, species of raptors were observed in the project area, however no raptor nests were spotted during the nesting period. Acoustic bat inventories will also be carried out in accordance with the provincial protocol and will use bat detectors which pick up ultrasonic calls of the bats. The results of the environmental impact study will be shared publicly and will be the subject of public consultations.

As required for all wind projects in Quebec, we will also complete environmental monitoring during operations to confirm if any impacts are present and implement additional mitigations if required.



Photo of an eagle taken from a helicopter during BluEarth's 2024 inventory



Photo of a met tower being installed

Wind Measurement

We recently received an authorization for the installation of a meteorological tower (or met tower) from the Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec (CPTAQ). This tower will be installed in Saint-Georges-de-Winsor later this year and will remain on the site for up to four years. Met towers collect important wind data, including speed, direction and turbulence using sensors placed at various heights. This data is important for optimizing project design, selecting the most suitable turbine model, and estimating energy production.

We want to hear from YOU!

Your feedback on the Des Sources Wind Project is very important to us. We encourage you to share your questions, comments or suggestions by responding to our short survey. Scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to access to visit: www.surveymonkey.com/r/des-sources-en



About BluEarth

BluEarth Renewables Inc. is a leading, independent power producer that develops, builds, owns, operates and acquires wind, hydro, solar and energy storage facilities across North America. Our portfolio includes over 950 MWAC (gross) in operation, under construction and contracted pre-construction and over 7 GW of high-quality development projects that are actively being advanced. In addition, we provide third-party operations for over 300 MW of wind and solar across North America.

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