

Wind Generation

Infrastructure Case Study

Agenda

- Alliant Energy Portfolio Mix
- Wind Generation Across the United States
- Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) Operation
- Overview of Balance of Plant (BOP) Equipment
- Wind Development & Construction Activities
- Infrastructure Challenges / Case Study

Alliant Energy - LNT

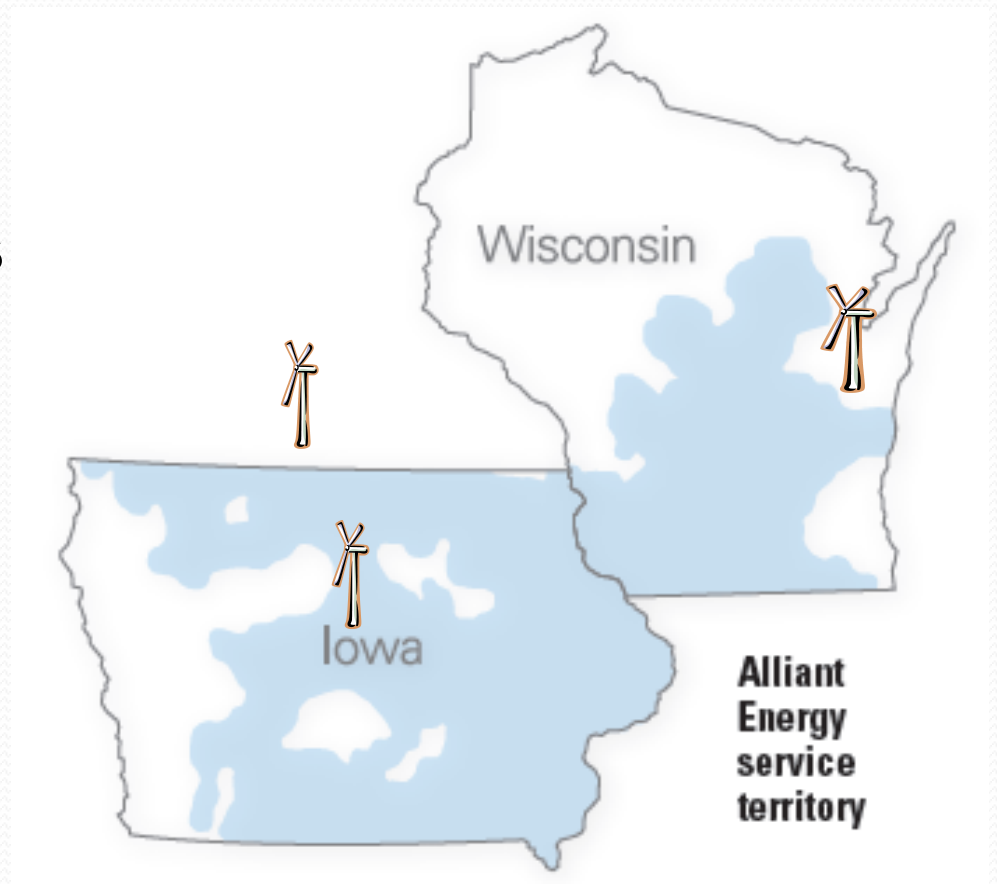
We are an investor owned energy-services provider:

- IPL – Interstate Power & Light Co
- WPL – Wisconsin Power & Light Co
- Headquartered in Madison, WI
 - General Offices in Cedar Rapids & Dubuque, IA
 - ~ 4000 Employees



Alliant Energy – Service Territory

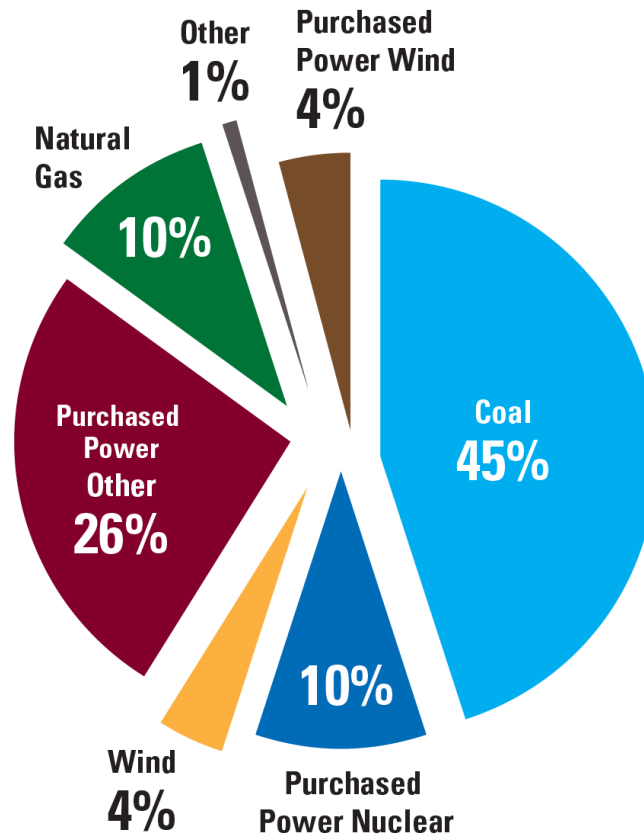
- Alliant Energy serves over 1,000 cities & towns
- Customers:
 - > 950,000 electric
 - > 420,000 natural gas

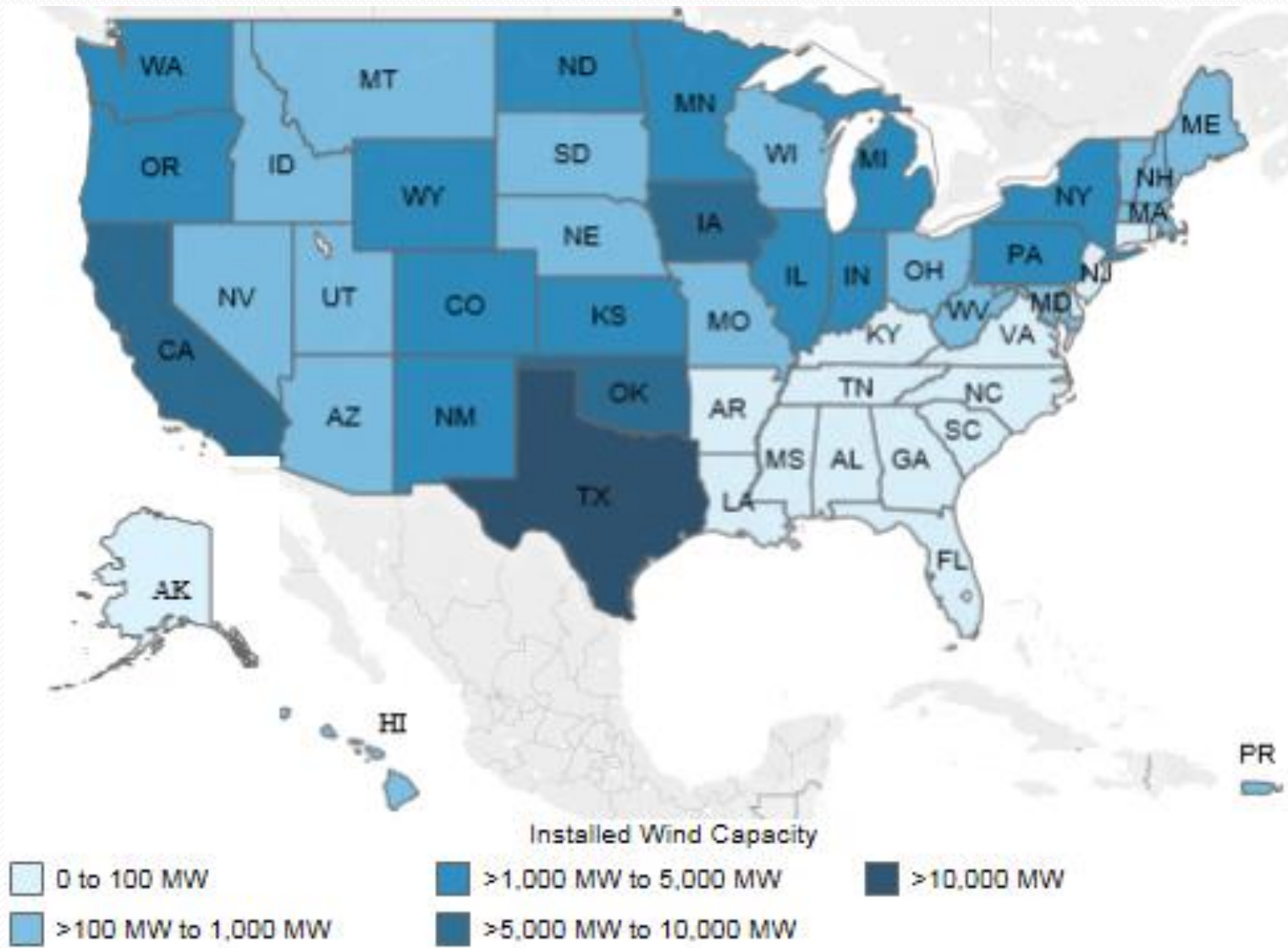


Energy Portfolio 2014

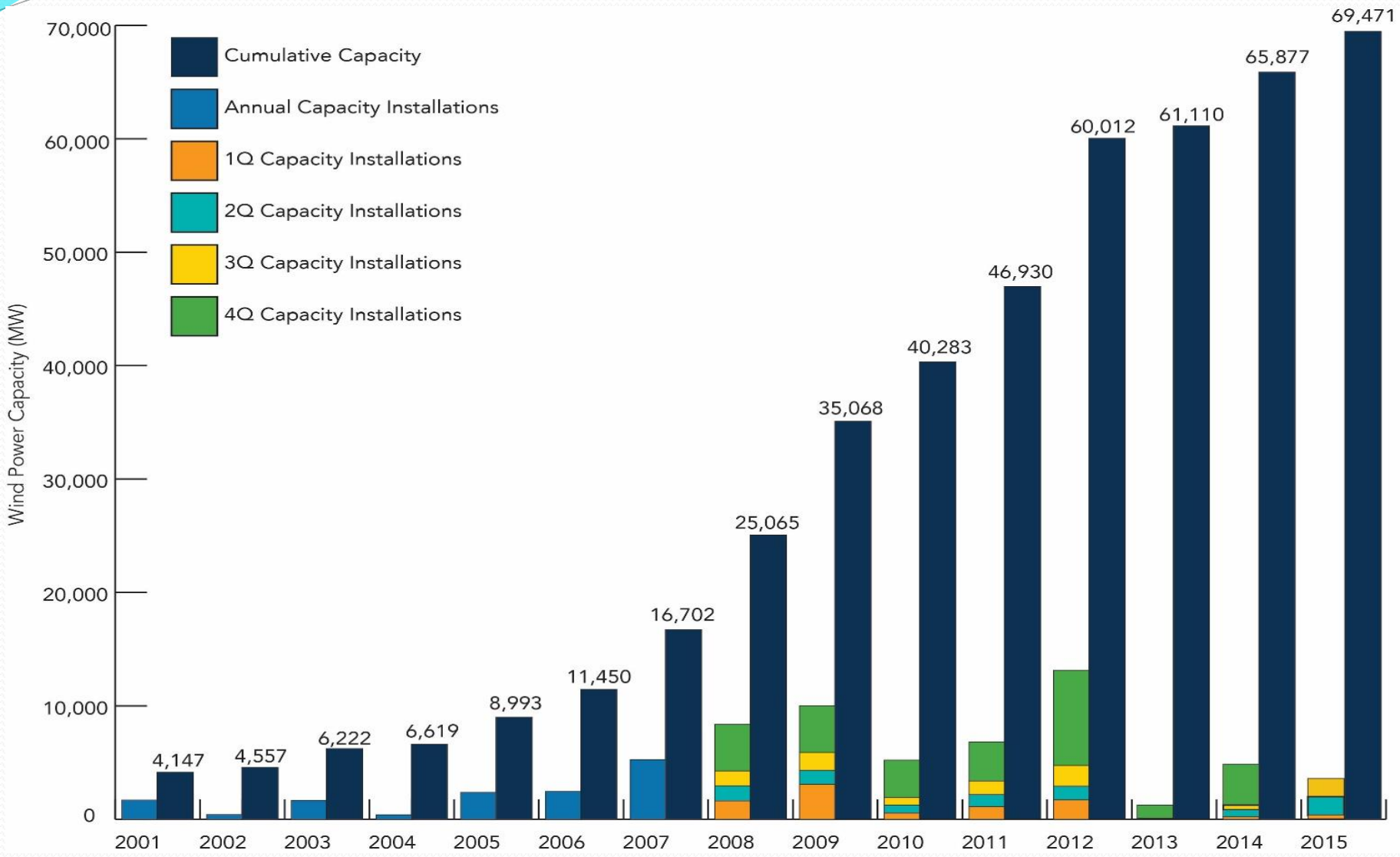


Electric power sources





Source: AWEA 2016



Graph Source: AWEA Q4 2015 Market Report

Wind Generation Benefits

- Benefit to customers, our communities and the state
- Wind turbines generate clean, cost-effective energy for customers
- Create tax revenue for communities, and bring construction jobs and economic growth to the state.
- Wind Technician – Fastest growing profession in the U.S.
- Low Cost Energy
 - Renewable Energy Tax Credits = Direct Benefit to the Customer
 - Zero Fuel Cost
- “Wind Farmers” – Economic Support to Rural Communities
 - Turbine & Miscellaneous Easement Payments

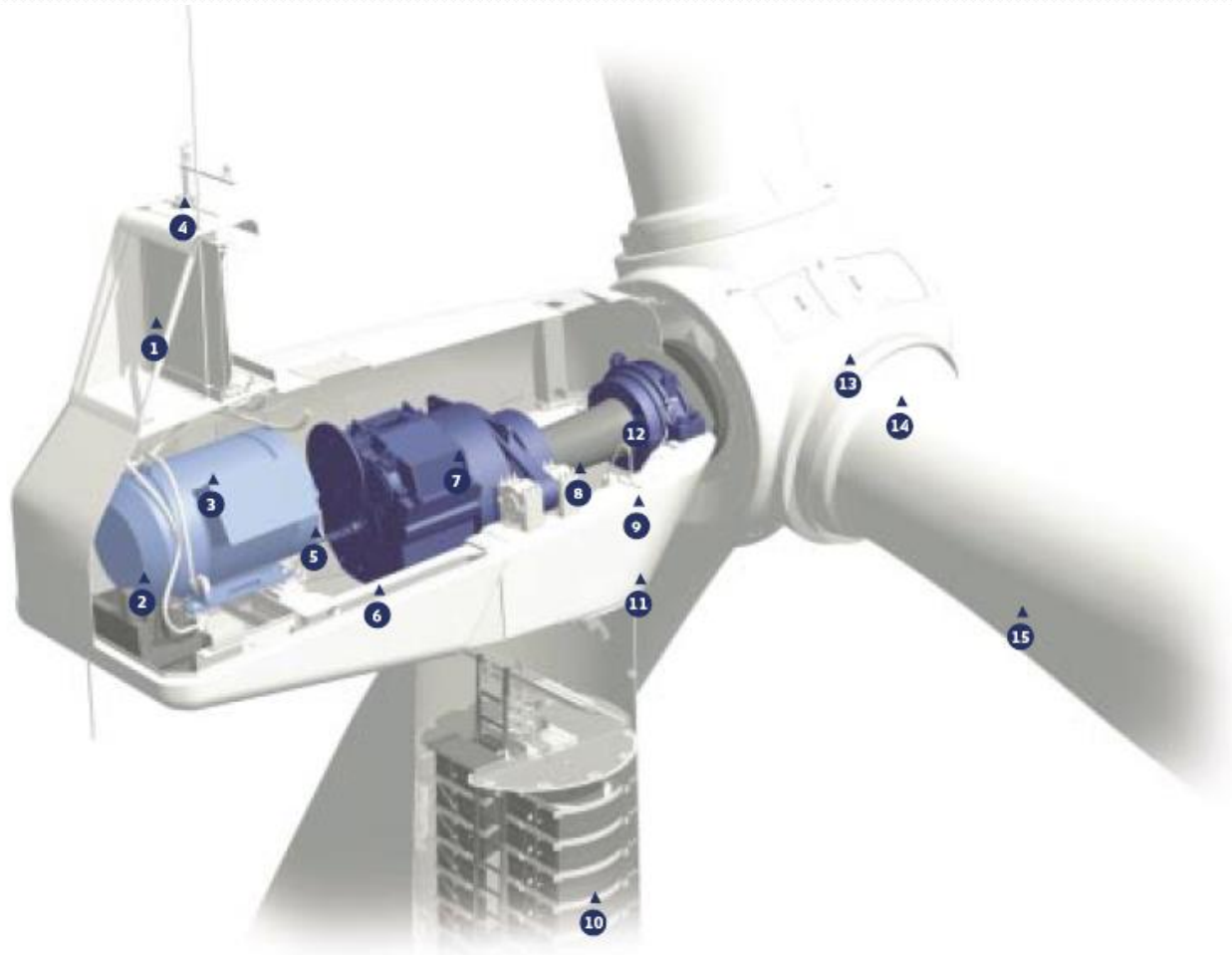
Wind Generation Portfolio

- 344 Vestas V82 Turbines
 - 1.65 MW Generator Rating
 - 568 MW Fleet
- Cedar Ridge – Eden, WI
 - 41 Turbines / 68 MW
- Bent Tree – Hartland, MN
 - 122 Turbines / 201 MW
- Whispering Willow – Iowa Falls
 - 121 Turbines / 200 MW
- Franklin County – Iowa Falls
 - 60 Turbines / 99 MW

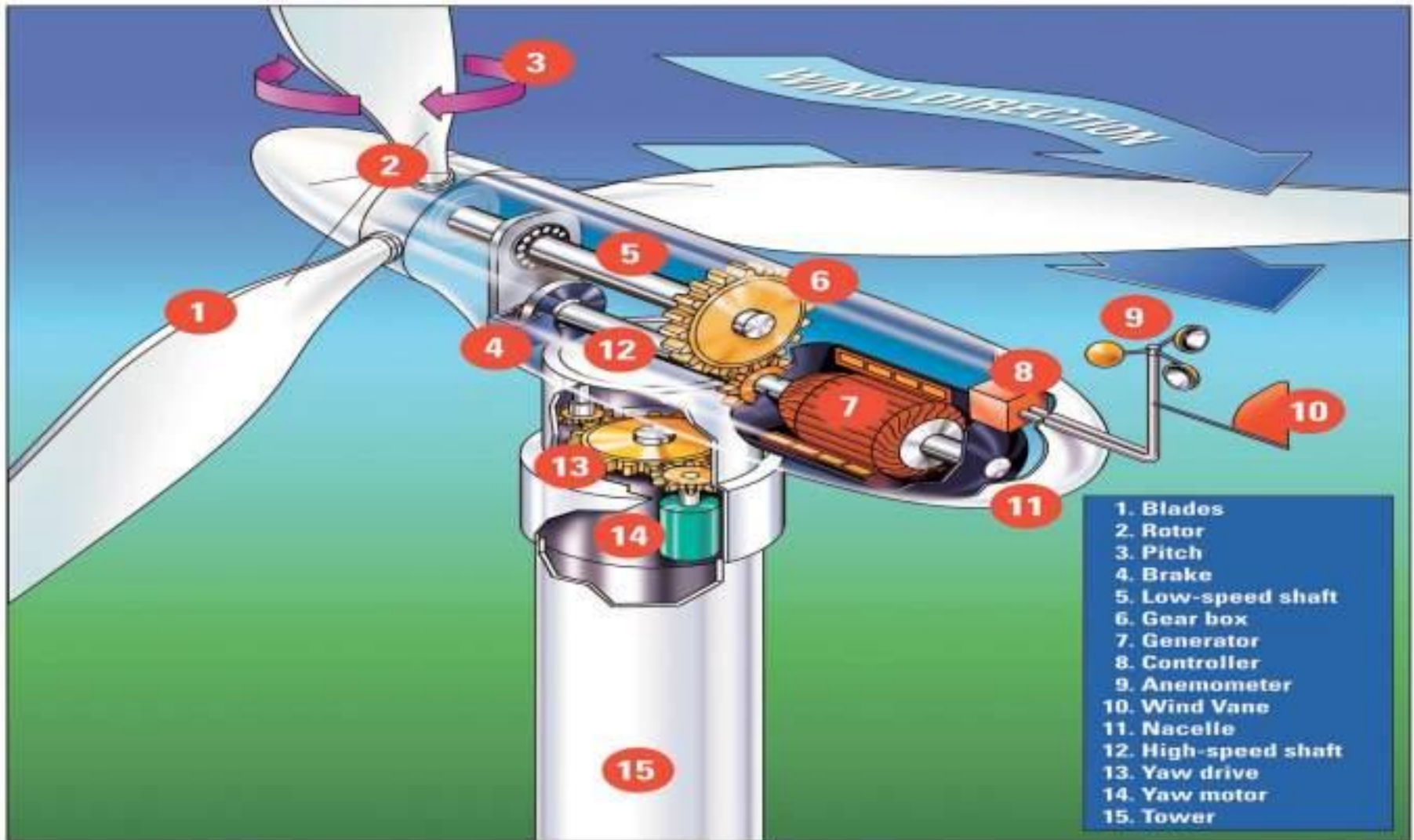


Wind Turbine Generator - WTG

1. Heat Exchanger
2. Generator
3. Nacelle Controller
4. Anemometer Wind Vanes
5. High Speed Coupling
6. Mechanical Brake
7. Gearbox
8. Main Shaft
9. Yaw Motor & Planetary
10. Tower Damper
11. Bed Plate Frame
12. Main Bearing
13. Hub
14. Pitch System
15. Blade



Additional WTG Components



Vestas V82 Stats

- Power Output 1.65MW
- Hub Height 265 feet
- Top of blade travel 400 feet
- Blade length 131 feet
- Blade weight 15,000 lbs.
- Nacelle weight 104,000 lbs.

- Nacelle size Class A
Motorhome

- Foundations 515 yards of
concrete

- 57 Cement Truck Loads per Turbine
- 7,000 Cement Truck Loads Total Project
- 45' X 45' X 8' Foundation

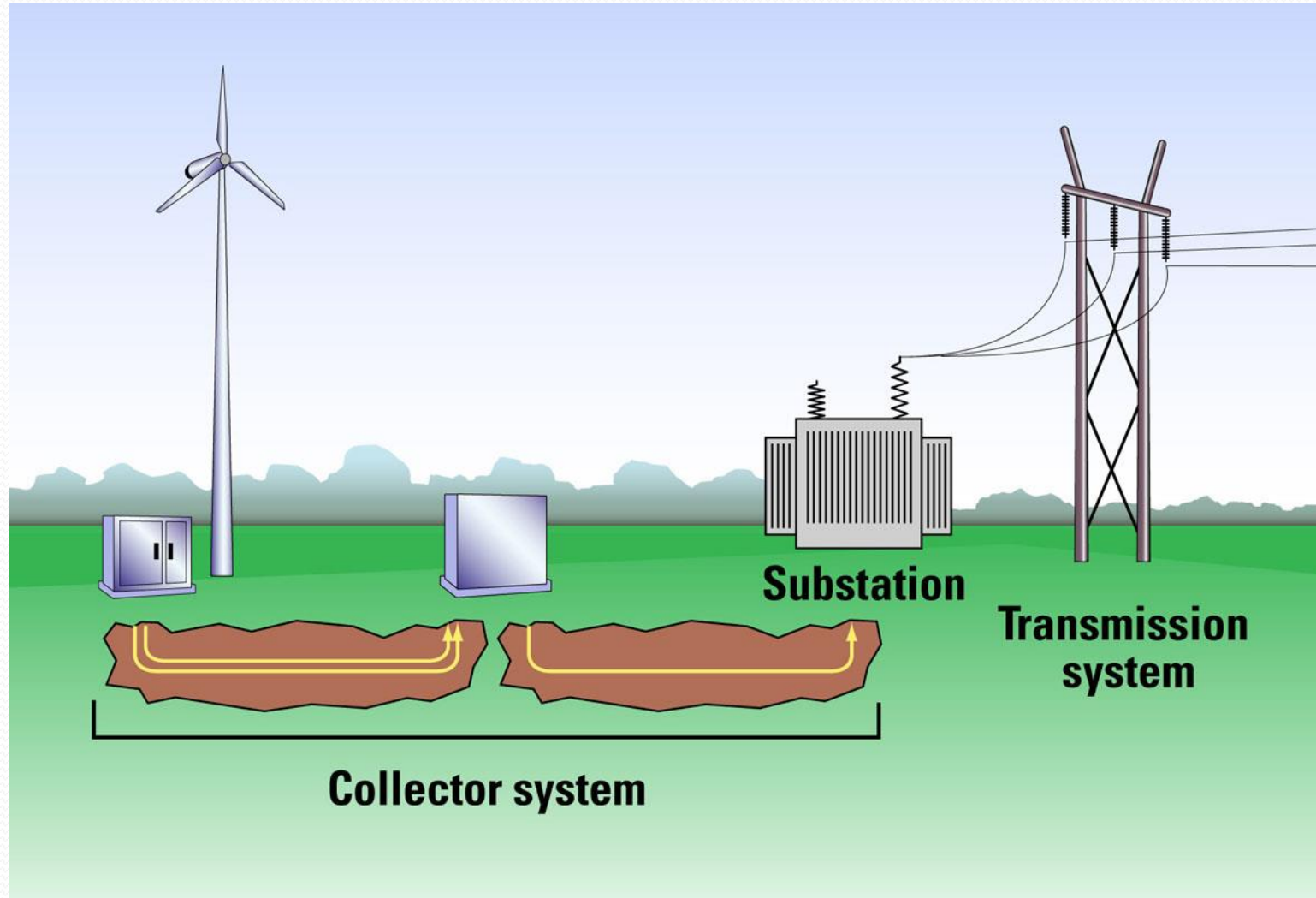


Turbine Performance Stats

- Cut in speed 8 mph
- Max Output 25 mph
- Cut out 45 mph
- Rotor RPM 14 rpm
- Tip speed 138 mph

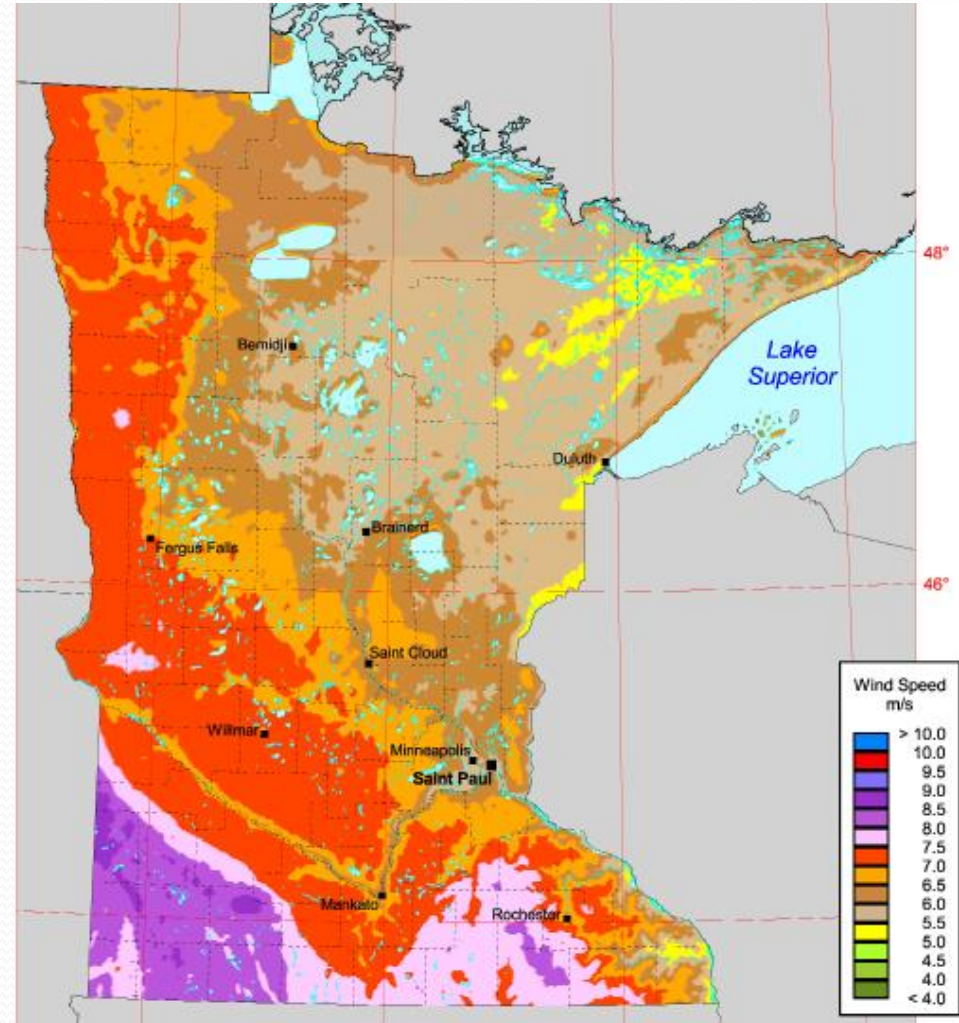


Balance of Plant - BOP

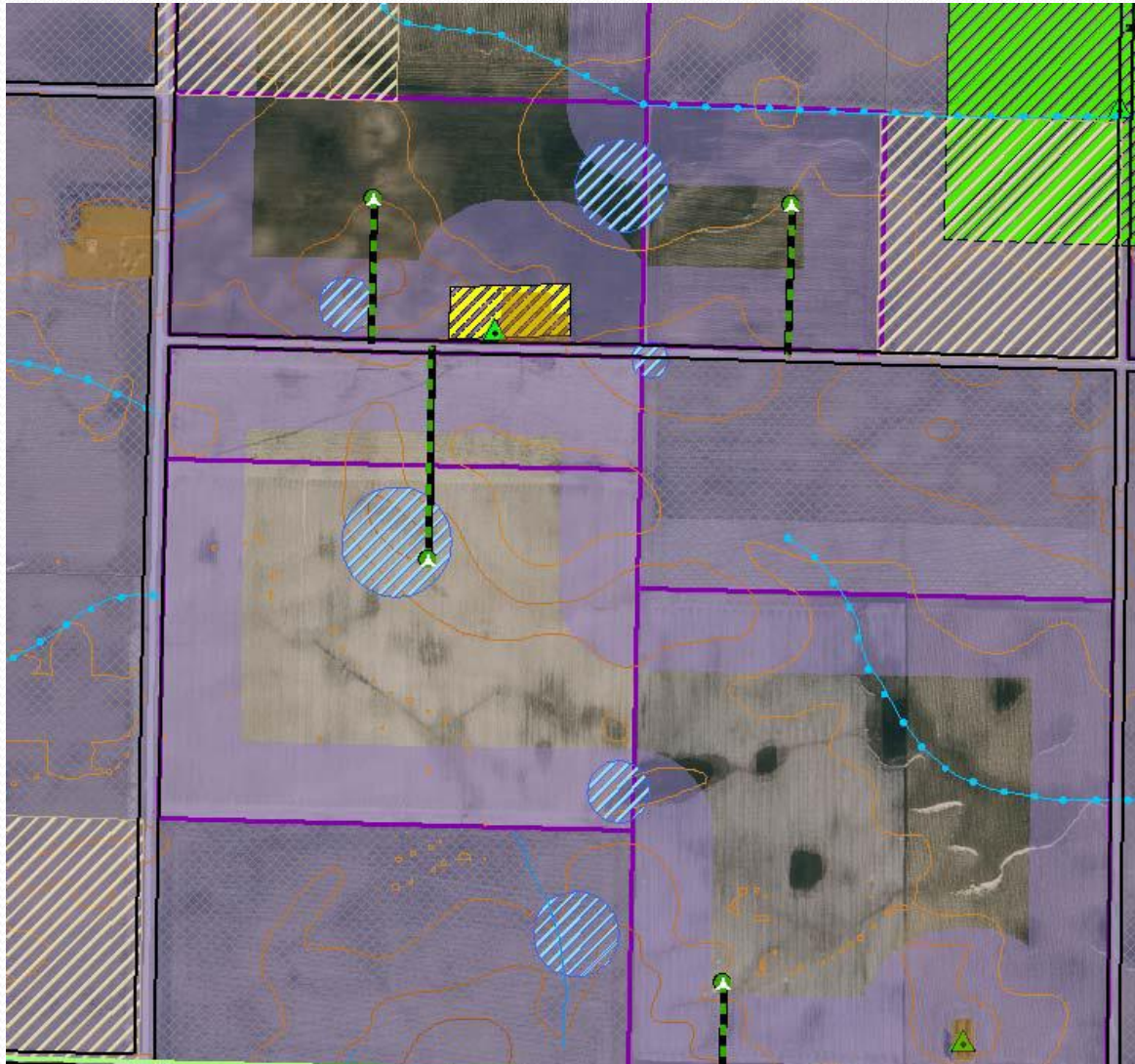


Wind Development

- Meteorological Data
- Infrastructure Consideration
 - Road Access, Grid Location
- Land Rights
- Easements
 - WTG, Roads, Collector
- Regulatory Approvals
- Generator Interconnection
- Geotechnical Analysis
- Micro-Siting
 - Setbacks



Geographic Information System & Micro-Siting



Turbine Layout





Access Roads
16 feet wide permanent
35 feet wide for cranes

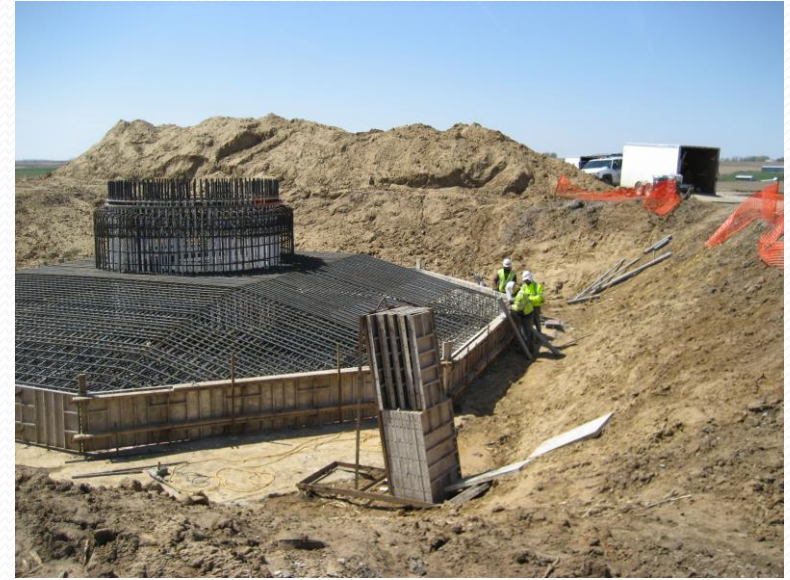


Tower, Nacelle, Blade

Construction Overview



Geotechnical – Foundation Work



Completed Foundation



Tower Assembly



“Flying the Rotor”



Installation of Collector Lines



Substation



- Receives 34.5kV Power generated by the WTG
- Main Power Transformer / GSU (Generator Step Up) steps up the power to 161kV for interconnection to the transmission system
- Reactive Power (VAR) Control
 - Capacitor Banks
 - Dynamic Volt-Amp Reactive Control (D-VAR)

Infrastructure Challenges / Case Study

- Rural Areas
 - Siting
 - Turbine Rating / Size / FAA Ceiling
 - Project Cost Cap Pressure
 - Road Construction
 - Distribution / Transmission Build out to get to the Grid
 - Transmission Constraints / Congestion
 - Localized, Network, Time of Year Challenges
 - Transmission Upgrades
 - MVP – Multi Value Projects
 - Voltage and Frequency Control
 - Limiting Component / Repowering / Recycling / Cost Reduction

Questions



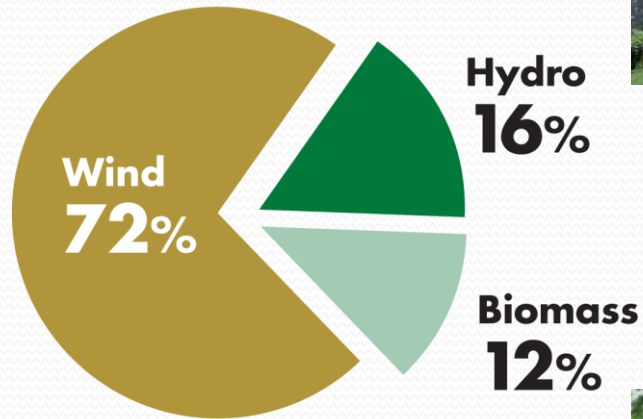
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A Leader in Renewable Energy



Renewable Energy Sources Used



Source: Alliant Energy records of consumption in MWh.



Cedar Ridge Wind Farm

- 41 turbines - Vestas V-82
- 68 Megawatts
- 4th largest wind farm in Wisconsin
- Displaces approximately 75 rail cars of coal per month
- \$180M capital investment



Bent Tree Wind Farm

- 122 turbines -Vestas V-82
- 201 Megawatts
- 5th Largest Wind Farm in MN
- Displaces approximately 225 rail cars of coal per month.
- \$440M capital investment

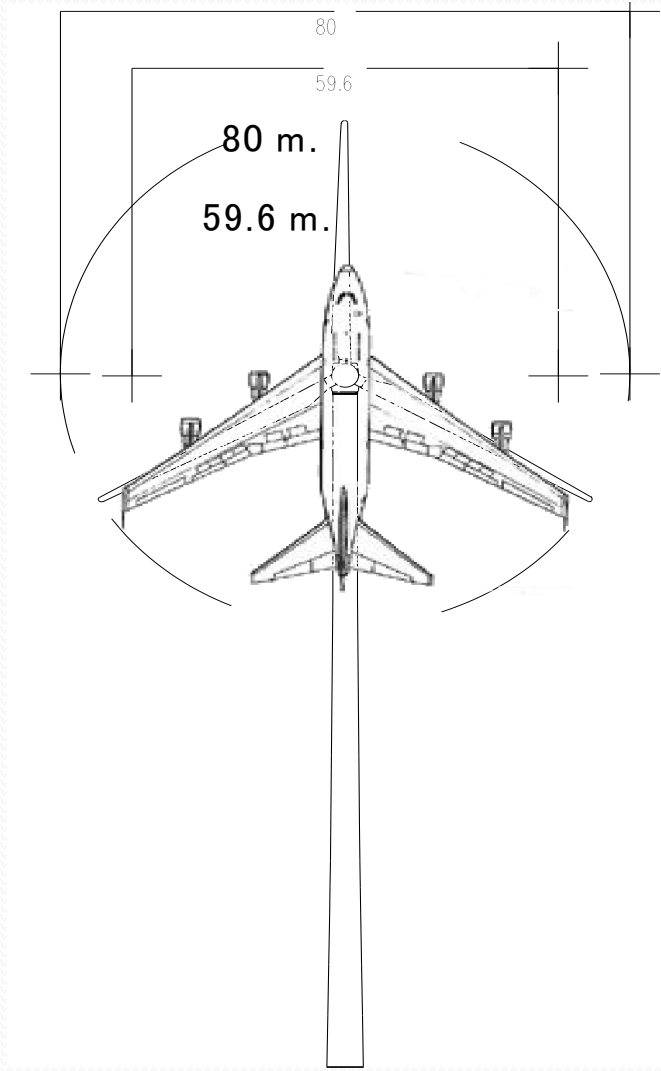


Whispering Willow East

- 121 turbines -Vestas V-82
- 200 Megawatts
- Displaces approximately 225 Rail Cars of coal per month
- \$460M capital investment



How Big is a Vestas V82 Turbine?



Vestas V82 – 80M Turbine
Superimposed on a Boeing
747 jumbo jet



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Dimensions



How much Power?



Each Turbine produces 2,200 Horsepower
at 25 mph wind speed

Wind Turbine Generator Maintenance

- Routine Preventative Maintenance Services
 - Change filters, Greasing & Lubrication, Oil Changes
 - Torque Bolts
 - Inspections
- Breakdown Repair
 - Troubleshoot Systems & Restart Turbines
 - Corrective Maintenance – Replace Parts
- Underground Electrical System / Substation
- Major Component Repair / Replacement
 - Main Bearings, Gear Boxes, Generators

Wind Turbine Generator Vs. Windmill

- Windmills have flat blades which convert wind energy directly into mechanical energy for tasks such as milling grain or pumping water.
- Wind Turbines have blades shaped like a wing which capture energy and convert it to electricity.
- A Windmill can capture about 5% of the wind's energy whereas a Wind Turbine captures and converts about 40% of the wind's energy.

