

Pisgah Mountain Wind Project: Grand Opening and Announcement of Phase II

On Saturday, April 22nd, 2017, SWEB Development USA, LLC (SWEB), and the Community of Clifton, Maine came together to celebrate the opening of the Pisgah Mountain Wind Project. The event was held in the open area downhill from the project site, with guided tours of the site and turbines provided by SWEB. Although the weather was foggy and slightly rainy, the event was attended by over 250 people from the local community. People of all ages – from children to grandparents – came together to celebrate the benefits that wind power has brought to their community, and to learn how wind projects are constructed and operated. Over 120 people were taken on tours to the turbines and got the experience of standing inside machine. Speakers included Frank Dumeier of WEB Windenergie AG, Paul Fuller of Pisgah Mountain, LLC, Stuart Lawrie of SWEB, a representative of Senator Susan Collins, Peter Vigue of Cianbro Inc.

During the Pisgah Mountain Wind Project ribbon-cutting event, the Silver Maple Wind Project, which is directly adjacent to the Pisgah Mountain Wind Project, was announced. The community members, including some of the Clifton Town's selectmen who were in attendance, were verbally supportive of the announcement. To reinforce this verbal support, the Town of Clifton has also provided a letter of support for the Silver Maple Wind Project, which can be found in the RFP doc as Exhibit 7.4A

Photos of the event are found below:



Furthermore, the Community of Clifton, Maine has been supportive of the efforts of SWEB Development USA, LLC as referenced in the article “Despite fears over Clifton wind farm, no one has complained since it went up” from the Bangor Daily News. <http://bangordailynews.com/2017/04/21/energy/despite-fears-over-clifton-wind-farm-no-one-has-complained-since-it-went-up/>

The proposed community engagement process corresponds with the anticipated project development over the next four years. SWEB is a community-oriented company committed to meaningful public engagement for all our projects. As such, SWEB is electing to conduct periodic public community meetings in the community of Clifton, Maine throughout the Project development process. The public meetings will take place around major project milestones. The engagement schedule for the Project will align with the environmental assessment approval timing and will be released to various stakeholders once the Project is approved through the Mass RFP process.

Town feedback will be collected by the SWEB team members attending public meetings where they will discuss the Project and provide progress updates. SWEB prides itself on its transparency with the public, and its exceptional community involvement with each of our renewable energy projects. Our team endeavours to incorporate the Town’s preferences via consultation with the Town’s staff and the public.

Please see the table below for a schedule of the proposed public community meeting dates.

Table 1: Public Community Meeting Schedule

Meeting	Date
Public Community Meeting #1 – Site Open House	4/22/2017
Public Community Meeting #2	3/17/2018
Public Community Meeting #3	12/5/2018
Public Community Meeting #4	10/31/2019
Public Community Meeting #5	6/1/2020