

# Notice of applications

## Buffalo Plains Wind Farm

### Buffalo Plains Wind Farm Inc. has filed applications for a wind power plant project in the Lomond area

**Proceeding 26214**  
**Applications 26214-A001 and 26214-A002**

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), the independent utilities regulator, will be considering the power plant development applications in Proceeding 26214. If you feel you may be affected by these applications you can provide input to the AUC to review before it makes its decision. You may be eligible for funding to support your position, which includes costs for legal representation and expert witnesses.

**Written submissions are due February 24, 2021.**

Buffalo Plains Wind Farm Inc. has applied to construct and operate the Buffalo Plains Wind Farm, under the *Hydro and Electric Energy Act*. The project will have a maximum generation capacity of 514.6 megawatts (MW), consisting of 83 wind turbines with a nominal capacity of 6.2 MW each. The proposed turbines have a hub height of 115 metres, a rotor diameter of 170 metres, and an overall height to blade tip of 200 metres. The project also includes a project substation and overhead/underground collector lines. The potential turbine locations are shown on the map attached to this notice. The project would be located approximately two kilometres west of the village of Lomond in Vulcan County. Specifically, the project area would cover the following sections:

| Section  | Township | Range | Meridian |
|--|----------|-------|----------|
| 30, 31, 34   | 15       | 20    | W4M      |
| 36   | 15       | 21    | W4M      |
| 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11,<br>15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 27,<br>28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33,<br>34 | 16       | 20    | W4M      |
| 1, 25, 26, 27, 34, 36  | 16       | 21    | W4M      |
| 6, 7, 13, 14, 15, 16,<br>17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22,<br>23, 27, 28                     | 17       | 20    | W4M      |
| 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14   | 17       | 21    | W4M      |

### **Additional information about the applications**

The applications and any associated documents are publicly available and can be accessed from the eFiling System on the AUC website [www.auc.ab.ca](http://www.auc.ab.ca). Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the applications, please contact:

Buffalo Plains Wind Farm Inc.  
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Email: [keaton.lever@abo-wind.com](mailto:keaton.lever@abo-wind.com)

### **Participation in a hearing**

Persons (including individuals and corporations) who have rights that may be directly and adversely affected by the Commission's decision on the applications are legally entitled to participate in a public hearing to consider the applications. This permission to participate in a hearing is referred to as standing, and persons with standing are referred to as interveners.

For the purposes of this proceeding, the Commission generally considers that persons who own or reside on property located within 2,000 metres of the proposed project boundary have rights that may be directly and adversely affected by its decision on the applications and therefore have standing. Persons with standing will be legally entitled to participate in the hearing process if they choose to, and will qualify for intervener funding, which may include costs for legal representation and expert witnesses.

Standing for other participants will be considered on a case-by-case basis. If the Commission receives an objection to a person's request to participate or status as an intervener, the Commission will make a decision on whether the person has standing or is eligible for intervener costs.

All interveners are encouraged to consider whether to hire legal representation, and prepare information requests and evidence, as early as possible. Intervenors with similar interests are encouraged to form groups, as group participation reduces duplication of submissions and costs, and supports an efficient hearing process.

### **Participant information and virtual Q&A sessions**

The AUC will be posting a video on its website to provide additional information about how you may become involved in this proceeding and funding that may be available to you to support your position. The project and its merits will not be discussed in this video. Please visit the Commission's project website at <https://www.auc.ab.ca/Pages/Buffalo-Plains-Wind-Farm-Project.aspx> to access this video and other information.

The AUC will also hold a virtual Q&A session on February 17, 2021, to answer questions about how to participate in this proceeding. To register for the Q&A session, please [sign up here](#) or email [info@auc.ab.ca](mailto:info@auc.ab.ca) for assistance by February 16, 2021.

If you cannot attend the virtual Q&A session, but want to learn more about the review process, or for more information about how you may become involved in this proceeding, please contact us or visit our website and review the information under “Have your say” or under “Review process.”

### **Submissions**

If you wish to participate in this proceeding, please visit our website and log in to the eFiling System, go to Proceeding 26214, and register to participate under the “registered parties” tab. Alternatively, please contact us at 780-427-4903 or [info@auc.ab.ca](mailto:info@auc.ab.ca) for more information or assistance with filing your submission. The lead application officer, Victor Choy, can also be contacted at [victor.choy@auc.ab.ca](mailto:victor.choy@auc.ab.ca) or 403-592-4439.

**The AUC may make its decision without further notice or process if no written submissions are received.**

Submissions must include your name, address, phone number, legal land location, description of your land in relation to the proposed development and a description of your interest in the land, your business, or your activities which may be affected by the proposed project. Please also briefly describe the issues you would like the AUC to consider when making its decision.

### **Privacy**

To support an open and transparent process, information you send to the AUC will be publicly available through the AUC’s eFiling System. If there is confidential information you would like to file, a request must be made in advance of filing your submission.

### **Process schedule**

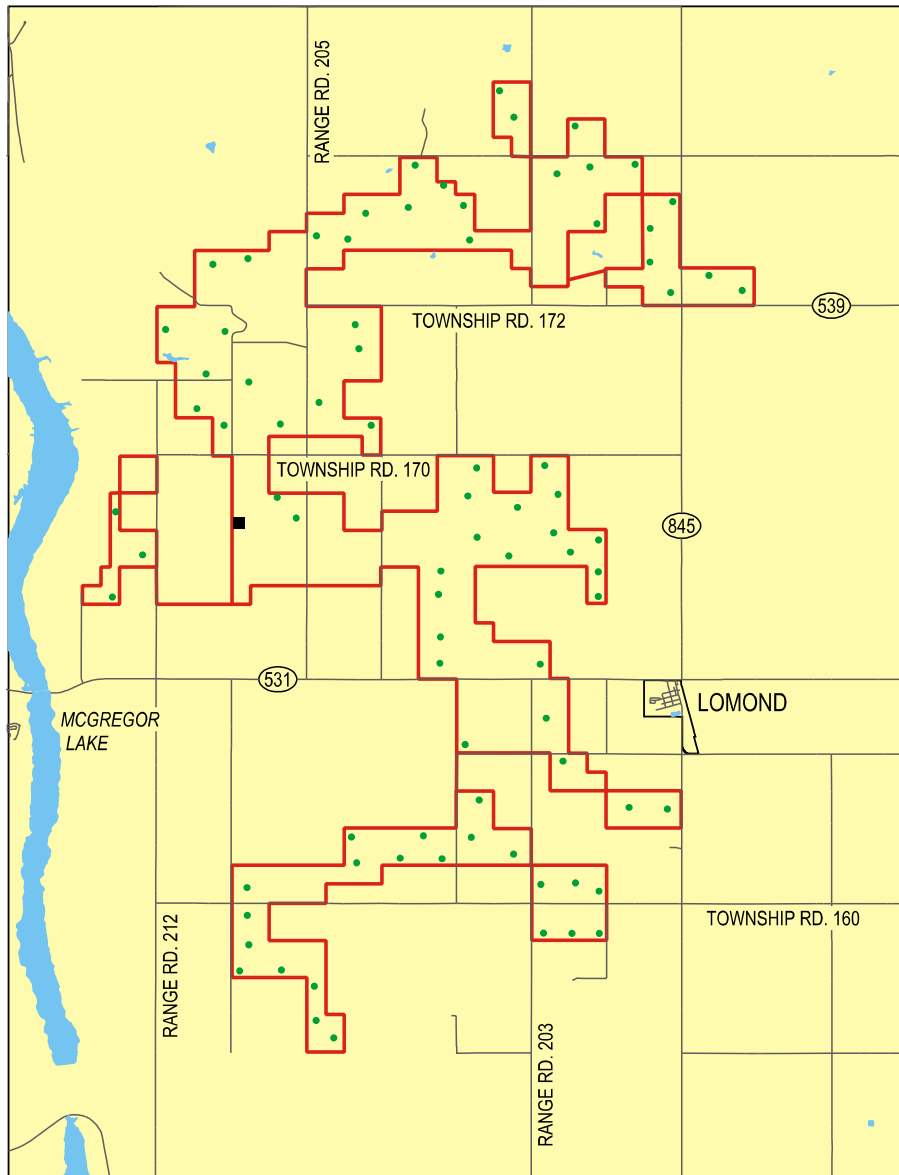
The Commission has established the following process to consider the applications:

| <b>Process step</b>  | <b>Date</b>       |
|--|-------------------|
| Deadline to sign up for virtual Q&A session                | February 16, 2021 |
| Virtual Q&A session  | February 17, 2021 |
| Intervenors’ participation submissions                     | February 24, 2021 |
| Intervenors’ information requests (questions) to applicant | March 24, 2021    |
| Applicant’s deadline to respond to information requests    | April 7, 2021     |
| Intervenors’ written evidence deadline                     | April 21, 2021    |

\* additional process dates will be communicated at a later date.

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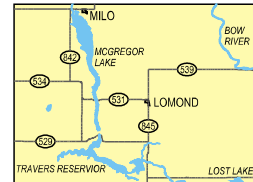
**Legend**

- Buffalo Plains Wind Farm Boundary
- Wind turbine
- Substation



- NOTES:  
1. Data Sources: Alberta Environment and Parks  
2. Background Source: AutoCAD Map 3D

**Buffalo Plains Wind Farm  
Power Plant and Substation**



**Lomond Area**  
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