



Boswell Springs Wind Project

Project Description

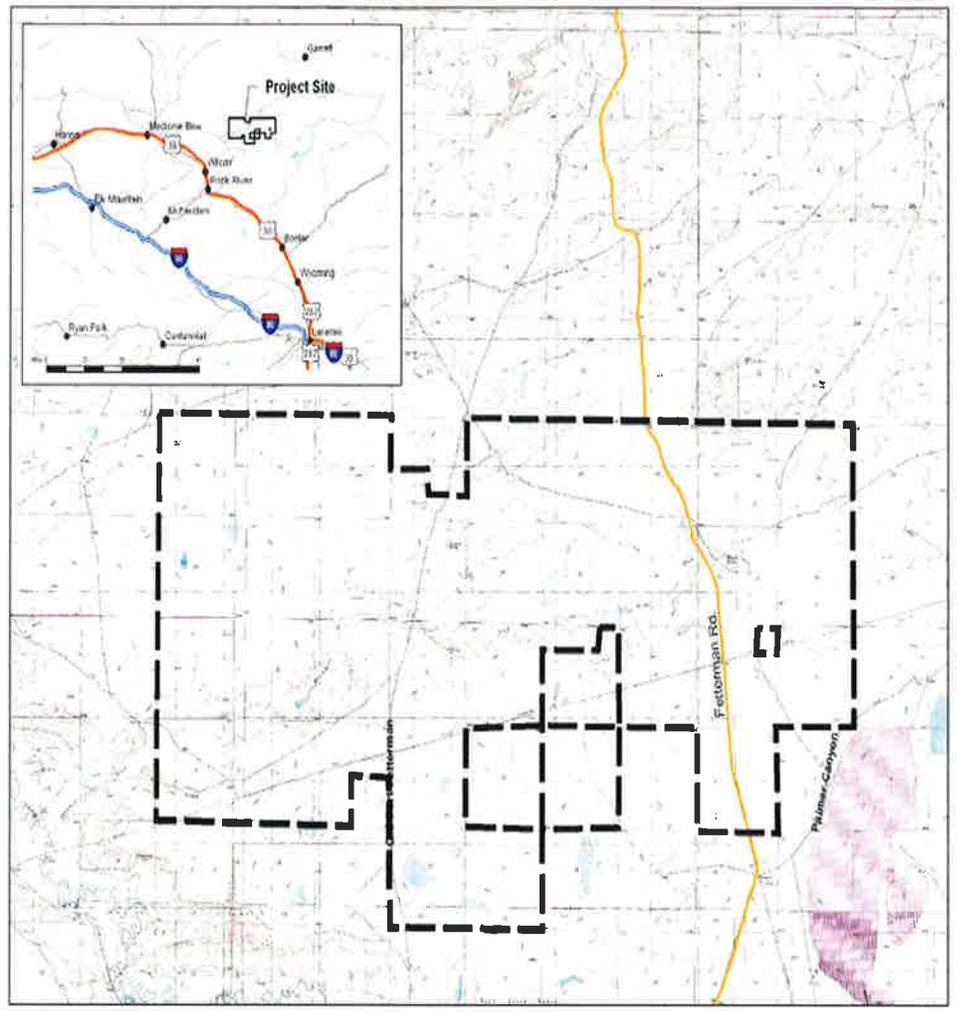
Boswell Wind, LLC, is proposing to construct the Boswell Springs Wind Project (Project), located north of Jamestown in Albany County, Wyoming. When fully constructed, the Project is anticipated to consist of up to 170 wind turbines and other Project infrastructure. The Project boundary contains approximately 21,596 acres of privately-owned land. Construction is anticipated to commence in 2019 and become operational in late 2020.

Potential Eagle Impacts

There may be bald eagle mortality due to the operation of the Project. Take, including killing of eagles, is prohibited by the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. However, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has been delegated the authority to issue eagle take permits, where the take is determined to be compatible with the preservation of eagles. The Service will issue permits for such take only after an applicant has committed to undertake all practical measures to avoid and minimize such take, and mitigate any remaining take, when applicable.

Project Review

We expect to receive an application for an incidental take permit from Boswell Wind, LLC for the operation of the Boswell Springs Wind Project. Boswell Wind, LLC is developing an Eagle Conservation Plan (ECP) that would summarize Project design, construction, and operational measures taken to avoid and minimize impacts to eagles, and would be part of the permit application. To date, no official estimate of potential eagle take is available.



The Service has an independent statutory responsibility under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to evaluate its own actions related to the Project, namely the possible issuance of an eagle take permit. An Environmental Assessment (EA) will be prepared to evaluate the impact of issuing (and not issuing) an eagle take permit for this Project. There will be an opportunity to comment on the EA in late 2018 and no permit decision will be made until after the NEPA process is complete.

Should additional information be needed, please contact us at:

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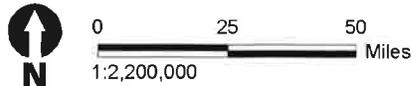
- Project Boundary
- USFWS Migratory Bird Administrative Flyways**
- Central Flyway
- Pacific Flyway

- Bald Eagle Local Area Population (86-Mile Buffer)
- Golden Eagle Local Area Population (109-Mile Buffer)

- City or Town
- Interstate Hwy
- U.S. Hwy
- State Hwy
- State
- County



Source: Boswell Wind LLC 2017, USFWS 2017.



Boswell Springs Project Location and Eagle Local Area Populations