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BUFFALO ATLEE WIND FARM 1, 2 AND 3

Public Open House #2 Summary Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Capstone Infrastructure Corporation (Capstone or the Proponent), in partnership with Sawridge First Nation (Sawridge), is developing the Buffalo Atlee Wind Farm comprised of projects 1, 2 and 3 (each a Project and together the Projects) in the Special Areas No. 2, approximately 10 km southeast of Jenner, Alberta.

Capstone planned, advertised and staffed a second public open house on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 from 6 to 9 PM at Jenner School in Jenner, Alberta. The public open house was a forum for sharing detailed information about the projects and how feedback from the first open house was incorporated into project design, and for providing an opportunity for all stakeholders to receive additional accurate and timely project information. All occupants, residents and landowners within 2,000 metres of the proposed Projects were notified of the open house via direct mail invitation as well as through advertisements placed in local newspapers (the Prairie Post and Brooks Bulletin) as well as on the website for the projects (www.buffaloatlee.com).

The open house was attended by nine (9) individuals, seven of which submitted feedback forms. During the open house, seventeen (17) panels were displayed around the room that contained updated project information on the specific turbine model selected for the site, general proponent information, an overview of wind power in Alberta, wind farm benefits, project siting considerations (including maps), information about noise, shadow and viewscape modeling, Capstone's consultation process, ongoing environmental studies, regulatory approvals required prior to construction, current Project timelines, and end of Project life information. A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document and supporting studies and reports on common wind farm issues were provided in hard copy for people to review. A typical wind project design and construction PowerPoint presentation was also presented to the public on a continuous loop during the event.

Nine (9) representatives attended the meeting on behalf of Capstone. Attendees included subject matter experts on the project design, wildlife, noise, permitting and consultation. The representatives addressed specific issues and concerns and answered general questions about the projects. Feedback forms were provided to all attendees and any other feedback or questions raised verbally were encouraged and logged.

Feedback received during the open house will be reviewed and incorporated into project planning and design where relevant and practical. Capstone will respond directly to stakeholder concerns and provide timely responses on a case by case basis. Capstone maintains all publicly available information about the project on its website, and all information presented at the open house is available online.

INTRODUCTION

Capstone Infrastructure Corporation (Capstone or the Proponent), in partnership with Sawridge First Nation (Sawridge), is planning to build and operate the Buffalo Atlee Wind Farm comprised of projects 1, 2 and 3 (each a Project and together the Projects) in the Special Areas No. 2, approximately 10 km southeast of Jenner, Alberta. The three Buffalo Atlee projects won contracts with the Alberta Government under the Renewable Electricity Program (REP) Round 2 procurement administered by the Alberta Electricity System Operator (AESO) for a combined capacity of 48.3 MW. The projects are expected to go into construction in the summer of 2020 and be operational by the end of 2020.

The projects are subject to approval by the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) pursuant to Rule 007: Applications for Power Plants, Substations, Transmission Lines, and Industrial System Designations (“Rule 007”). The Proponent has retained the services of LandSolutions LP to support stakeholder consultation work and to prepare this Open House Summary Report. The information contained in this document will be included in the Participant Involvement Program (“PIP”) Summary and provided to the AUC during the regulatory application process.

OPEN HOUSE PLANNING

In the spring of 2019, Capstone developed a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (“SEP”) which outlines its strategy to effectively engage the public near its Projects as well as other relevant stakeholders. As part of Capstone’s SEP, a second open house for the projects was held on Wednesday, August 7th, 2019 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM to inform the public about project planning and updates. Photos of the event location and set up are shown in **Appendix A**.

Occupants, residents and landowners within 2,000 metres of the proposed Project boundaries were notified of the open house via invitation sent by regular mail on July 23, 2019. A total of 56 individuals were mailed open house invitations. A list of stakeholders and interest groups that were invited to the open house is provided in Table 1 – Key Stakeholders & Interest Groups.

TABLE 1 – KEY STAKEHOLDERS & INTEREST GROUPS

Key Stakeholders & Interest Groups	Definition
Directly Affected Stakeholders	Directly affected stakeholders are any occupants, residents and landowners within 800 metres measured from the edge of the proposed power plant site boundary.
Adjacent Stakeholders	Adjacent stakeholders include those persons who are between 800 metres and 2,000 metres from Project boundary.
Municipalities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Special Areas No. 2• Cypress County	The projects are located in the Special Areas No. 2, and in proximity to Cypress County.

<p>Government and Other Agencies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provincial Ministries • Other Stakeholders 	<p>Other stakeholders include federal government departments, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), local business development groups, synergy groups, landowner groups and other interested parties and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alberta Aboriginal Consultation Office • Alberta Culture and Tourism • Alberta Environment and Parks • Alberta Transportation • Canadian Coast Guard • Environment and Climate Change Canada • Department of National Defense • Royal Canadian Mounted Police • NAV CANADA and Transport Canada • Emergency Air Ambulance Service Providers (Shock Air Trauma Rescue Society (STARS), and HALO) • Jenner Fire Department • Buffalo Fire Department • Pallister Economic Partnership
<p>Indigenous Communities</p>	<p>Capstone sent a letter directly to Mr. Richard Right Hand of Siksika First Nation, as a self-identified interested party.</p> <p>Capstone will consult with the ACO once the final layout design is determined and follow up consultation will be done with relevant First Nations with Traditional Territory in the area of the Projects.</p>

OPEN HOUSE NOTICES

The open house notice was posted on the project website www.buffalootlee.com and published in the Brooks Bulletin on July 23 and July 30, 2019 and in the Prairie Post on July 19 and July 26, 2019. The Brooks Bulletin is published weekly on Tuesdays with a distribution of approximately 3,000 readers in the communities of Brooks and the County of Newell. The Prairie Post is published weekly on Thursdays with a distribution of approximately 17,000 readers in southeast Alberta. Please see **Appendix B** for a copy of the newspaper advertisements, as well as the website advertisement

OPEN HOUSE INFORMATION PROVIDED

The open house provided detailed information about the Projects and allowed all stakeholders to receive the same information at the same time and have direct face to face interaction with project team members and subject matter experts. There were nine (9) knowledgeable Proponent representatives at the open house to address specific issues or concerns raised about the projects. Project team members and subject matter experts are summarized below in Table 2 – Proponent Representatives.

TABLE 2 – PROPONENT REPRESENTATIVES

Proponent Representative	Title & Company	Area of Expertise
Andrea Kausel	VP, Development Capstone Infrastructure	Proponent representative General project development
Amanda Dillon	Manager, Communications Capstone Infrastructure	Proponent representative General project development
Kelly To	Project Associate Capstone Infrastructure	Proponent representative General project development
Rahim Rawji	Sr. Development Manager Capstone Infrastructure	Proponent representative General project development
Lucas Reindler	Development Advisor Bright Diamond Consulting	Permitting & AUC process General project development
Chris Lafleur	Sr Environmental Planner AECOM	Environmental Assessment Permitting
Victor Young	Technical Noise Expert Golder Associates	Noise Modeling
Jody Refvik	Consultation Manager LandSolutions	Consultation Manager
Gord Davage	Senior Land Agent LandSolutions	Consultation Manager

Information at the open house was provided in the form of seventeen (17) large format presentation panels, hard copy materials and take-home handouts, visual presentations, resource stations with enlarged maps, studies, a video showing a typical wind project design and construction, and additional supporting documentation. The studies and project information presented at the open house are available for viewing and download on the Project website at www.buffalootlee.com. The following is a brief summary of the panels presented during the open house:

- Project Proponent Information
- Overview of Wind Power in Alberta
- Overview of the Government of Alberta’s Renewable Electricity Program (REP)
- Updates to the Project Layout
- New Project Information
- Visual Simulations
- Wind Farm Benefits
- Description of Project Infrastructure
- Project Siting Considerations
- Information about Wind Turbines and Noise
- Noise Iso-Contour Map

- Shadow Flicker Map
- Stakeholder Consultation Process & Schedule
- Environmental Evaluation and Protection
- Project Timeline & Next Steps
- Regulatory Approvals - Process for Wind Projects in Alberta
- End of Project Life: Repowering & Decommissioning

The panels were grouped by theme, with subject matter experts present to explain the materials, receive feedback and answer questions. Please see **Appendix C** for copies of the panels presented during the open house.

In addition to the information presented on the panels, additional information was available in the form of a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document addressing common questions asked about the projects. Furthermore, hard copies of the source reports and studies supporting the FAQ answers were also on display at the open house and made available for public review and comment. The FAQ document covers the following topics and is also available on the website for other members of the public to review:

- Noise
- Wildlife
- Health
- Visual Impact
- Turbine Lighting
- Property Value
- Decommissioning
- Ground Vibrations
- Emergency Response
- Community Support

A draft of the Noise Impact Assessment (NIA) report and Shadow Flicker assessment report were also available by request at the open house. Finally, a PowerPoint presentation demonstrating wind farm construction activities was displayed on a projector in the open house hall. The video was on a recurring loop and showed different aspects of site preparation, civil and electrical construction work and the final assembly and installation of the turbines themselves.

FEEDBACK RECEIVED

Capstone representatives encouraged individuals to explore all areas of the open house and ask questions. Feedback forms were available for stakeholders to provide written feedback and present any additional questions, concerns or issues. Proponent representatives were also on hand to write down and document verbal feedback during the open house. All feedback was tabulated and compiled and will be used for project design changes, or for direct follow up with individual stakeholders. Capstone commits to timely responses and follow up activities with all consultation feedback. Anyone who filled out a feedback form and requested additional consultation will receive a follow up and all communication will be captured in the consultation log.

The open house for the projects was attended by nine (9) individuals and Capstone received written feedback forms from seven (7) individuals. A template of the feedback form is provided in Appendix D, and all feedback forms received are provided in Appendix E (redacted of all personal information). Feedback received is provided below in Table 3 –Summary of Feedback and Table 4 – Summary of Comments.

TABLE 3 – SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK

Feedback Form Question	Yes	No	No Response
1. Do you live or have land in the general area of the Projects?	5	1	1
2. Have you heard about the Buffalo Atlee Wind Farm 1/2/3 projects being developed by Capstone?	7	0	0
3. Have you ever visited the Buffalo Atlee Wind Farm 1/2/3 projects website www.buffaloatlee.com ?	1	6	0
4. Would you like to be added to our mailing list?	3	3	1
5. Did the information presented at this Open House answer all of your questions about the proposed Buffalo Atlee 1/2/3 Wind Farm Projects?	6	1	0
6. Please indicate below any other concerns, comments or feedback you have about the Buffalo Atlee Wind Farm 1/2/3 projects:	See below Table 4 – Summary of Comments.		
7. Capstone wants to get involved in the community. In your opinion, how could we best support the local community and its sustainability initiatives?	See below Table 4 – Summary of Comments.		

TABLE 4 – SUMMARY OF COMMENTS

Category	Stakeholder Comment	Response	Follow Up Action
Health	Inquiry into the sufficiency of the length of time of assessment of health impacts	<p>The first wind turbines were installed in Alberta more than 25 years ago, and today thousands of turbines operate safely across Canada.</p> <p>Many reports have been prepared that look at and evaluate the level of impact of wind turbines on human health and are referenced in the FAQ available on the project website.</p>	Capstone representatives will reach out to follow up on the question directly with the individual and provide the FAQ and the supplemental reports on the evaluation of wind turbine impact on human health.
Environmental	Inquiry into the sufficiency of the length of time of environmental and wildlife impacts	<p>The environmental studies are conducted in accordance with Alberta Environmental and Parks (AEP) guidelines which were initially implemented for wind projects a decade ago and which have been reviewed and updated most recently in September 2018.</p> <p>The studies required by AEP cover the spring and fall seasons and the information is compiled and submitted to AEP and is made public.</p> <p>Ultimately, it is the expert biologists at AEP that review, assess, and approve the level of wildlife and environmental impact, determining if the levels of impact are deemed acceptable for the area and size of the project.</p>	<p>Capstone representatives will reach out to follow up on the question directly with the individual to answer any further questions and to provide the FAQ.</p> <p>The Project FAQ document details a response to this question and will be updated accordingly.</p> <p>The FAQ document will be available on the project website.</p>
Construction	Inquiry into dust control during construction	<p>Dust suppression, including wetting gravel or topsoil piles, and limiting vehicle speeds on gravel or dirt road during very dry times will be implemented to control the amount of dust created during construction.</p> <p>Furthermore, a Capstone site representative will monitor any concerns raised by the public.</p>	<p>Capstone representatives will reach out to follow up on the question directly with the individual to answer the questions.</p> <p>An updated FAQ will be generated for the question of</p>

	Inquiry about the ability to transport construction loads over the existing roads and potential damages.	Prior to the start of construction, local roads planned for hauling equipment and materials to site will be surveyed to assess the existing condition, and identify needed upgrades or improvements to ensure safe travel over the roads. Any road damage caused by construction vehicles will be repaired at the end of the construction period.	construction dust and will be provided to the individual and posted to the website.
	Inquiry into general project safety	Safety during project construction will be the responsibility of the selected general contractor (GC). The GC will have a site safety manager and will implement all safety, requirements that are applicable by Alberta law. Capstone has a Zero Harm Policy and a comprehensive Contractor Management Plan which outlines the safety process and expectations that contractors shall follow throughout the life-cycle of the project; including periodic inspections and audits to verify their compliance.	
Oil & Gas Industry	Question about the proximity of wind turbine infrastructure to oil and gas leased areas	Direct consultation occurs with representatives of oil & gas operators where infrastructure coexists on the same lands with registered easements or leases. Generally, at least 30m of setback is provided from pipelines and more than 50m is provided from any well sites.	A list of common setbacks and constraints was provided in the constraints panel presented at the open houses. Capstone representatives will reach out to follow up on the question directly with the individual to answer this question.
Community Support Initiatives	Capstone asked for feedback on how they could best support the local community and its	Through feedback, Capstone donated to Jenner School and the HALO program.	Any new commitments for donations or support initiatives will be

	<p>sustainability initiatives and received the following suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jenner Hall • Jenner School • Jenner 4-H • Jenner and Buffalo Rodeo • Jenner and Buffalo Fire Department • Local BBQ 	<p>Capstone is exploring other community support initiatives based on the feedback and on-going discussions with community members and leaders.</p>	<p>presented to the community as well as being announced on the Project website.</p>
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NEXT STEPS

Follow-up consultation information will be provided to all relevant stakeholders in August 2019 and updated information packages with project the layout updates and design will also be prepared and sent out prior to filing the Projects with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC).

Community consultation will continue to follow the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) and further updates will be provided via mail and on the Project website as the Projects progress through the regulatory process. Please visit our website www.buffaloatlee.com, email buffaloatlee@capstoneinfra.com or call 403-930-4662 if you have any questions or wish to get specific information about the Projects.

CONCLUSION

As an industry-leading independent power producer, Capstone is committed to applying best practice for public consultation and engagement throughout the lifecycle of the Buffalo Atlee projects. Capstone's approach to outreach is grounded in its belief that those affected by its business have a right to be informed about activities, participate in decision making through transparent processes and be involved in addressing issues and opportunities that affect them.

The SEP for the Projects provides a framework that defines how Capstone will consult and engage with the community. Under the framework of the SEP, Capstone held the second public open house for the Projects on August 9, 2019, from 6 to 9 pm. The event was advertised in the Brooks Bulletin and the Prairie Post, as well as via mail to all local residents and stakeholders close to the Projects. Nine representatives were present on behalf of the Projects, and a variety of detailed information panels, reports, FAQ documents were presented as well as a video presentation of typical project construction. Nine attendees came to the meeting and seven feedback forms were completed and submitted. Follow ups are planned and where possible the feedback from the event will help guide final site design and planning for the Projects.

Capstone is proud to be a contributing member of the community and will continue to build trust and demonstrate integrity as a result of its frequent, open and honest communication. Capstone will demonstrate a diligent approach to addressing stakeholders' concerns and finding solutions and providing mitigation strategies that incorporate community feedback into project planning and project design where applicable.

As new, long-term partners in the hamlet of Jenner in the rural municipality of Special Areas No.2 in Alberta, Capstone and Sawridge First Nation aim to further enrich the community and add to the social benefits associated with wind power. Through future communication and consultation, Capstone will announce ways in which it plans to contribute to the Jenner community and demonstrate the added value to all residents to host these exciting and dynamic Projects.