



NORTHERN LARAMIE RANGE ALLIANCE

QUESTIONS FOR WASATCH WIND

What Glenrock and Converse County Need to Know

Wasatch Wind Open House
6 p.m. Tuesday, November 9, 2010
Glenrock Recreation Center Gymnasium
412 South 4th Street, Glenrock

FINANCES: HOW CAN THE COMMUNITY BE SURE WASATCH CAN PAY FOR CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND REMOVAL OF THIS PROJECT?

Wasatch's finances

How much does Wasatch estimate it will cost to build the Pioneer Wind Park in the mountains south of Glenrock?

How much more does it cost to build a 100 MW facility in the Mountains than on the plains, where there is much easier access and more buildable terrain.

Where will Wasatch get the money to build the "Pioneer Wind Park"?

What is Wasatch Wind's net worth?

What has been Wasatch Wind's net income for each of the past five years?

When will it make its financial statements available to the public?

What are the names and addresses of Wasatch's investors? How much has each invested in Wasatch?

Who is Element Partners, and what role does it play in Wasatch?

How much money has Element Partners invested in Wasatch, and how much does Element Partners expect to earn on its investment?

How much money does Element Partners have to invest, and how many other companies is it backing?

Who are the investors in Element Partners, and how much has each invested?

Other investors in the project?

Does Wasatch plan to sell all or part of the Pioneer Wind Farm to anyone else? Are discussions underway? If so, with whom?

Is Wasatch in discussions with any other individuals, groups or companies to obtain financing for the Pioneer Wind Park? If so, with whom? How advanced are these discussions?

Who is MAP Royalty, and what role does it play in Wasatch and/or Pioneer Wind Park?

How much money has MAP Royalty invested in Wasatch and/or Pioneer Wind Park, and how much does it expect to earn on its investment?

How much money does MAP Royalty have to invest, and how many other companies is it backing?

Contracts to sell electricity generated by the proposed industrial wind facility

Wasatch announced in July that it has two power purchase agreements with Rocky Mountain Power to sell to it the electricity generated by the

Pioneer Wind Park. Why did the facility require two power purchase agreements?

When will Wasatch make public the power purchase agreements?

How much will the Pioneer Wind Park be paid for each megawatt of electricity generated by the Pioneer Wind Park? Will it also receive “renewable energy credits” (RECs) for electricity generated?

Is the price it will be paid more or less than Rocky Mountain Power pays for electricity from other sources?

Decommissioning/removal of turbines and equipment – how will can we be sure it will get paid for?

Will Wasatch or anyone else on its behalf provide financial assurance from the start of the project that the infrastructure will be removed at the end of its useful life?

What kind of financial assurance will it provide? How creditworthy will that assurance be?

What assumptions is Wasatch making about when the turbines and other infrastructure will be removed, how much it will cost to remove them and what, if any, salvage value they will have?

SIZE AND CONFIGURATION OF THE PROJECT: IS THIS ALL THAT’S COMING?

Wasatch filed with the State land office in February last year saying its “area of interest” covered about 100,000 acres all the way from Muddy Mountain to Downey Park. Since then, it’s spoken of a facility of “100 – 400 mw”, which would be anywhere from about 67 to 267 turbines the size of those at Rolling Hills.

Can Wasatch now commit to the community that the proposed 100 MW Pioneer Wind Park is the only wind development Wasatch or its affiliates will attempt in the Northern Laramies?

Does Wasatch seek to put turbines elsewhere in the Northern Laramie Range?

What is the status of Wasatch's planned wind farm in Natrona County? Where is it? How big is it? What type of terrain? Will it be less expensive to build on a per megawatt basis? How will Wasatch be able to afford both projects?

CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS: HOW MANY ROADS, WHERE WOULD THEY GO, HOW MUCH CONCRETE?

Roads

Wasatch has told Converse County that it wants to use Cold Springs, Windy Ridge and Boxelder Roads to bring in turbines and other heavy equipment to its wind farm in the Boxelder-Mormon Canyon area.

What would have to happen to these roads and the bridges on them to make them work for this? Straightening? Resurfacing? Widening? Bridge replacement and/or reinforcement?

How much would this road work cost? Will the public have any road expenses?

Would Wasatch restore these roads to their current condition?

Turbines and other facilities: placement and construction

How large in diameter and deep into the ground would be the excavation required to create the foundation for each turbine? How many tons of concrete would be required?

Can Wasatch point out today exactly where it plans to place each turbine?

Can it point out today exactly where it would place the transmission line connecting the wind facility to the grid?

Can it point out exactly where it would place any substations?

Would there have to be an all-weather access road to each turbine?

JOBS: HOW MANY WOULD THERE BE, AND HOW MUCH WILL THEY PAY?

How many people will Pioneer Wind Park employ after construction is completed? Will it employ relatively more, relatively less, or about the same as other wind farms in the area?

How much will these jobs pay?

How many people will have jobs in the construction phase? Will they all be local residents, rather than temporary residents from elsewhere?

What proportion of the materials (turbines, cable, substation, etc.) will be manufactured in Wyoming? In the U.S.?

TAXES: WILL THEY GET PAID?

There was a report that Wasatch Wind may claim that materials required for the Pioneer Wind will not be subject to state sales tax that comes back into effect in 2011 because the project is "grandfathered".

Can Wasatch state clearly that it will not make such a claim?

Will Wasatch Wind agree in advance that there will be no challenge to property tax assessments made on the Pioneer Wind Park?

COSTS TO NEIGHBORS AND THE COMMUNITY: WILL WASATCH COVER THESE COSTS?

Will Wasatch and/or the Pioneer Wind Park cover all of the costs to the County and its citizens associated with this project, including (for example)

- road and bridge surveying and construction and restoration,
- additional costs for public safety (police) during the construction phase,
- costs to public school associated with any temporary influx of students during construction, and
- compensation to neighboring landholders whose property values may be diminished by proximity to this facility?

IMPACT ON WILDLIFE

Would Wasatch comply with all of the Wyoming Game and Fish's recently adopted best practice guidelines?

Would management of the facility monitor effects on game animals, birds and other wildlife? If so, how? Would it make public the results of such monitoring, including information on bird kills, changes in animal migration patterns, etc.?

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