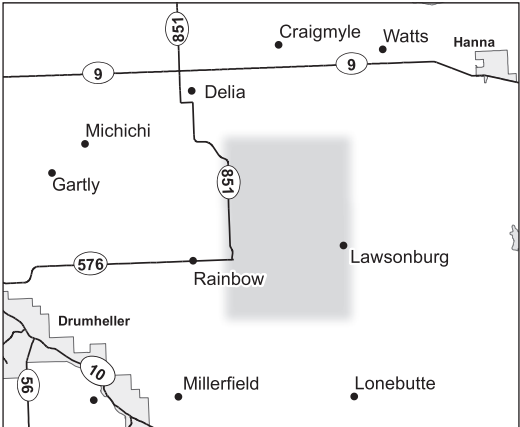


Notification of AESO Regulatory Filing Addressing the Need for the BluEarth Hand Hills Wind Energy Connection in the Hanna Area

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) advises you of its intention to file a Needs Identification Document (NID) for the connection of the BluEarth Hand Hills Wind Power Facility (Facility) (formerly the Joss Hand Hills Wind Power Facility) with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on or after February 27, 2013.

1712610 Alberta Ltd., a subsidiary of BluEarth Renewables Inc., (BluEarth) has requested transmission system access for its proposed BluEarth Hand Hills Wind Power Facility (Facility) southeast of the Village of Delia in the Hanna area. BluEarth's request requires transmission system development which is proposed to include a new 240kV single circuit transmission line to connect the Facility to the previously approved Coyote Lake 963S substation.




The shaded area on the map indicates the approximate area where the transmission connection is needed. In a separate application called a Facility Application, ATCO Electric Ltd. (ATCO), the transmission facilities owner (TFO) in the Hanna area, will describe the specific routes and sites they propose to implement the proposed transmission connection and request AUC approval to construct and operate the specific transmission facilities. The specific siting and transmission line routes applied for by ATCO may extend beyond the area shown.

The AESO and ATCO presented this need to stakeholders, including residents, occupants and landowners, from December 2011 to February 2013. The AESO has considered feedback gathered from stakeholders, and technical and cost considerations, and will apply to the AUC for approval of the need for this transmission development. Once filed, the NID will be posted on the AESO website at <http://www.aeso.ca/transmission/27117.html>

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