

# Hand Hills Wind Project Newsletter



## Project Update

In November 2018, we hosted a community open house to share more information about the Hand Hills Wind Project. We also provided an update about the proposed amendment to the project which will increase the total capacity from 78 MW to 130 MW, while simultaneously reducing the number of turbines required from 34 to 29. Work to update our existing Alberta Utilities Commission permit and license is ongoing, and approval of the updated project is expected in the coming months. A special thank you to the Delia Grad Class who provided baked treats at our open house!

In December 2018, the Government of Alberta announced the results of the Renewable Electricity Program Round 2 and 3. These rounds once again contracted wind energy at record low prices of 3.9 cents and 4.0 cents / kWh for the next 20 years. Unfortunately, the Hand Hills Wind Project was not awarded a contract in this program, but we are continuing to enhance the project to ensure it remains competitive for future procurement opportunities. As part of this process, we will have environmental consultants in the area during the spring, summer, and fall to update existing studies and conduct any additional required environmental surveys.

Alberta currently ranks third in Canada for installed wind capacity and is adding over 1,350 MW of wind generation by July 2021. Alberta is well positioned for renewable energy and we look forward to participating in the build out of renewables in our home province with the Hand Hills Wind Project.

## Giving Back Where We Live, Work and Operate



We are proud to share that in 2018 we invested over \$75,000 as part of our commitment to helping build healthy, thriving communities where we live, work and operate. Our contributions were directed towards programs that support education, environment and community building.

Locally, we invested \$1,000 to Starland County's Family and Community Support Services (FCSS), \$1,000 to the Hand Hills Lake Stampede and made a donation towards the Delia School's graduating class.



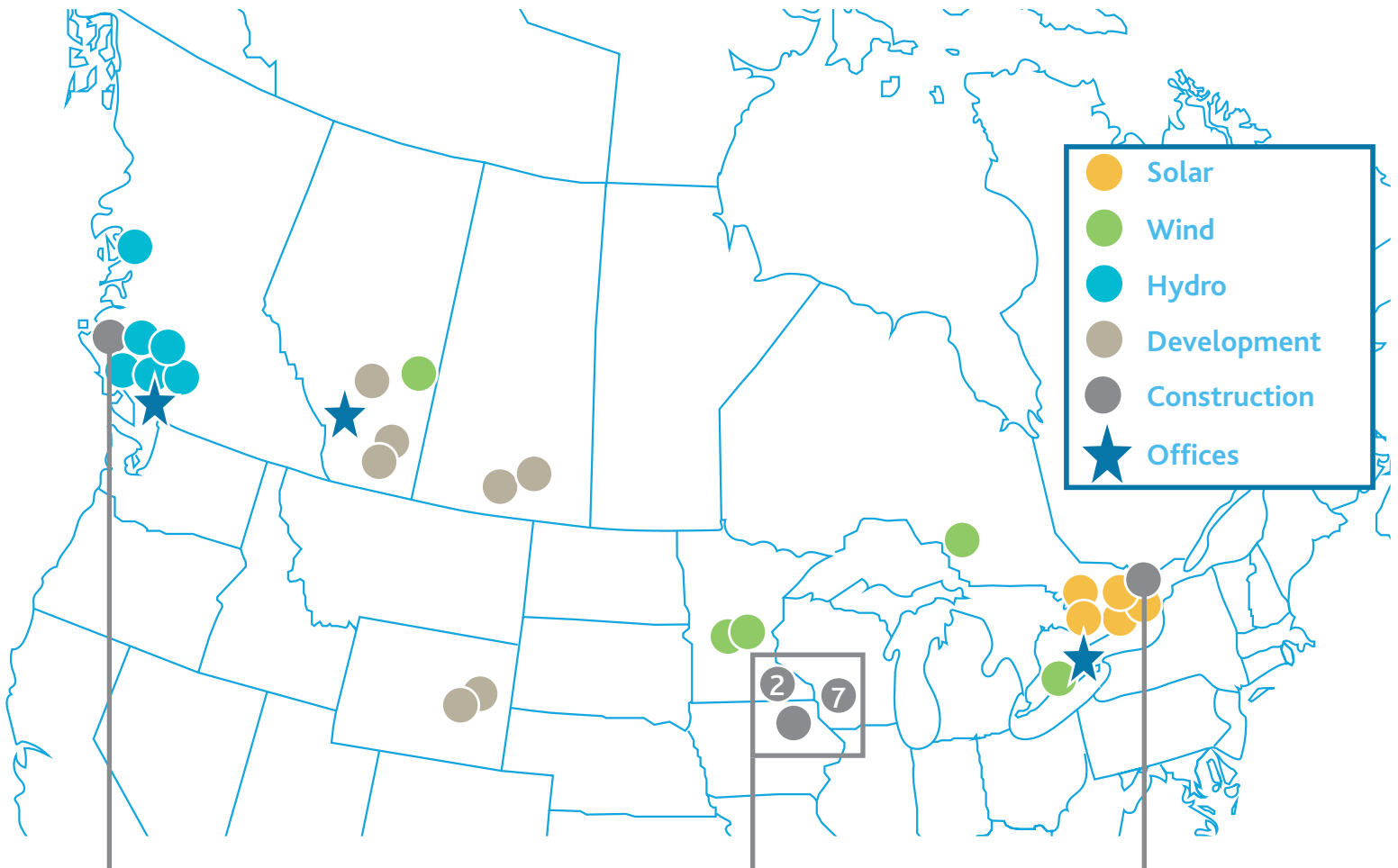
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### BluEarth Renewables Named One of Alberta's Top 75 Employers in 2019

We are proud to be an Alberta-based company recognized for providing an exceptional place to work.

BluEarth Renewables is currently constructing three new projects in Canada and the U.S. When commissioned this year, they will bring an additional 110 MW of renewable energy to the power grid.



**Narrows Inlet Hydro Project**  
**B.C. | Construction | 33 MW**

The Narrows Inlet Hydro Project consists of three run-of-river hydro generating units. We are nearing completion on this project, with two units already commissioned.

We are developing this project in partnership with the shísháhlh Nation.

**Butter Solar Portfolio**  
**MN, IA, WI | Construction | 23 MW**

We recently acquired this portfolio in December 2018. The portfolio is made up of ten community solar projects.

Construction is currently underway on all the projects, and they will be commissioned in June 2019.

**Loyalist Solar Project**  
**Ont | Construction | 54 MW**

Loyalist is currently our largest solar project and construction on this project began in March 2018. The project is nearing completion and will be commissioned in spring 2019.

We are developing this project in partnership with the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.

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