

## Grandpa's Knob Community Wind Project April 2022 Update

The proposed Grandpa's Knob Community Wind Project (GKCW) is a single 1.5 MW wind turbine to be placed on Grandpa's Knob in Castleton, the site of the first wind turbine in the world to be connected to the electric grid 80 years ago. Recent and planned project activities are described below.

### Project Development

1. Ongoing Civil Engineering: The project site plan is drafted. The geo-technical assessment is planned for late May. We will share the key results of that assessment with the Towns. Over the next few months, we will continue to analyze Grandpa's Knob Road to see what needs to be done to ensure minimum environmental impacts when moving the turbine and blades up the hill. The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) will be consulted as appropriate.
2. Natural Resource Assessment: We had a constructive meeting with ANR on April 14 to discuss existing and future environmental fieldwork and analysis that needs to be done in preparation for submission of the Certificate of Public Good (CPG) application to the Public Utility Commission (PUC) in late 2022.
3. Visual Simulations: Through our due diligence, GKCW discovered that the configuration of the existing communications tower was changed, which lowered its height from 310' to 286'. Visual simulations of the GKCW turbine and blades are in the process of being revised to reflect this change, which is not expected to result in a material difference in impact. The GKCW website ([grandpasknobcommunitywind.com](http://grandpasknobcommunitywind.com)) will be updated shortly with the revised visual simulations.
4. Timeline: GKCW intends to file for its Certificate of Public Good no later than December 8, 2022. At least 45 days before that filing date, surrounding Towns will be formally notified of our intent to file for a CPG through the 45-day notification process.

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