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Ms. Barcy McNeal Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Administration/Docketing 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re: Hog Creek Wind Farm LLC, Case Nos. 10-654-EL-BGN, 16-1422-EL-BGA and 16-1423-EL-BGA

Dear Ms. McNeal:

On November 29, 2016, the OPSB issued an Order on Certificate approving Hog Creek Wind Farm, LLC's ("Hog Creek") applications to amend its Hog Creek I Certificate (Case No. 09-277-EL-BGN) and Hog Creek II Certificate (Case No. 10-654-EL-BGN) subject to the conditions set forth in the Stipulation and continued compliance with the conditions set forth in the certificate orders as later amended (Order on Certificate at 9).

Within these sets of conditions, Hog Creek II Certificate Condition No. 36 requires that:

Hog Creek shall provide the final delivery route plan and the results of any traffic studies to staff and to the Hardin County Engineer 30 days prior to the preconstruction conference. Hog Creek shall complete a study on the final equipment delivery route to determine what improvements will be needed in order to transport equipment to the wind turbine construction sites. Hog Creek shall make all improvements outlined in the final delivery route plan prior to equipment and wind turbine delivery.

In compliance with Condition No. 36, attached is a copy of the Hog Creek Wind Project Route for Kenton (Attachment 1) and VanWert (Attachment 2).

If you have any questions please call at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Sally W. Bloomfield

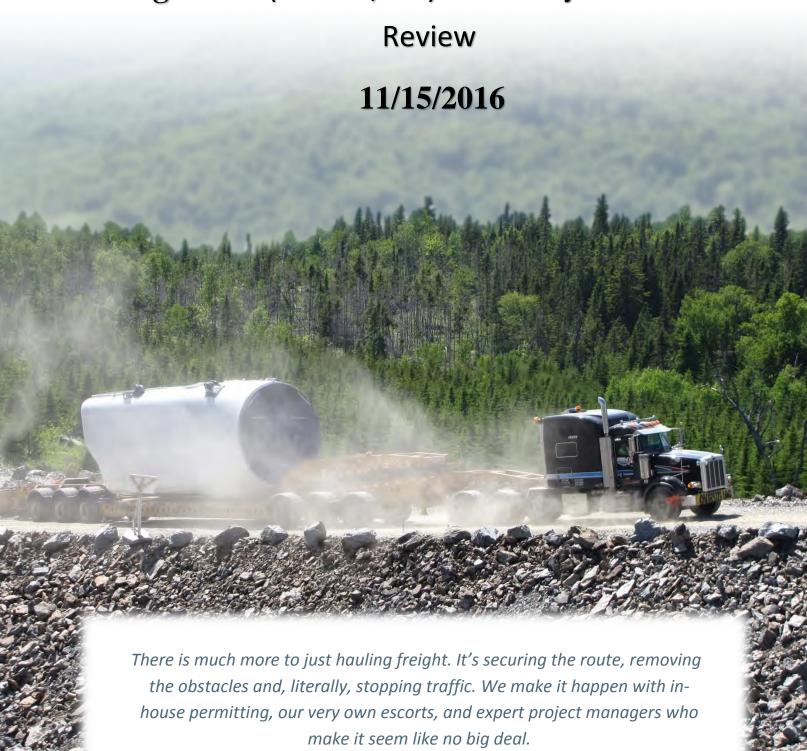
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Hog Creek (Kenton, OH) Wind Project Route



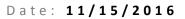




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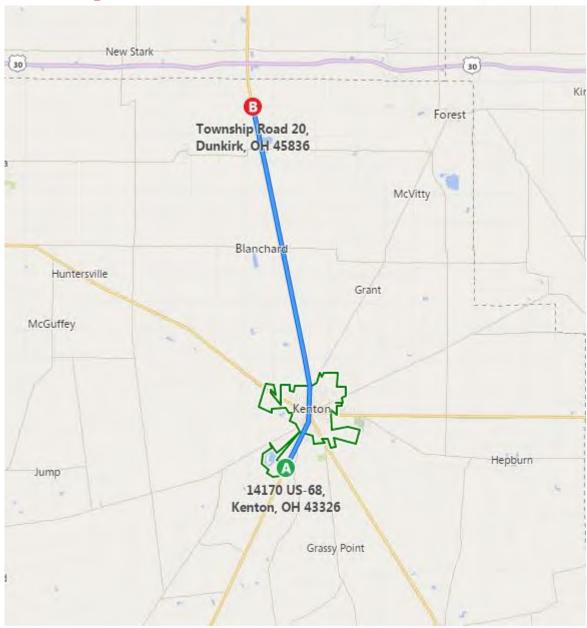
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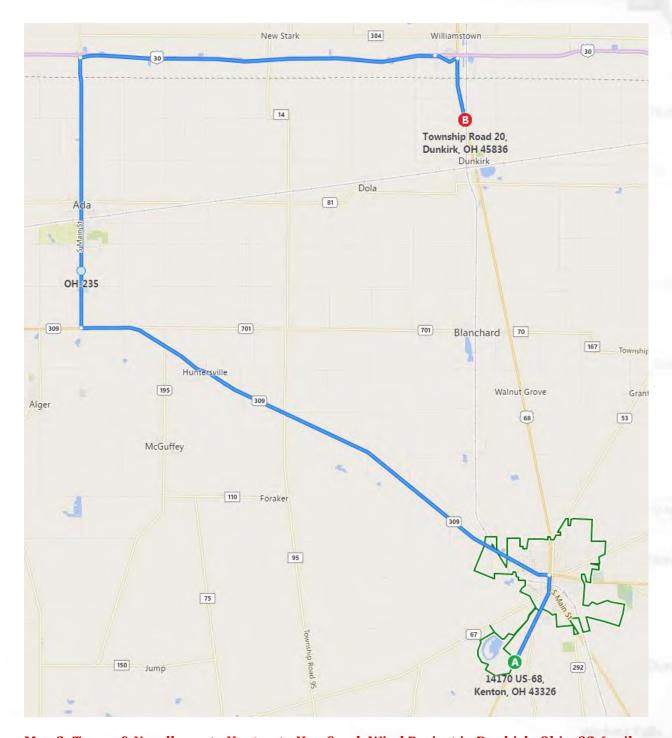


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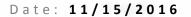


Preferred Route of Travel for Blades from Kenton, OH to Site

| WEC Transport Route | Direction of Travel | Improvements Needed | Miles |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------|
| US 68 | North | ⊠Yes□No | 13.4 |

Preferred Route of Travel for Towers from Kenton, OH to Site

| WEC Transport Route | Direction of Travel | Improvements Needed | Miles |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------|
| US 68 | North | ⊠Yes□No | 0.8 |
| SR 309 | West | ⊠Yes□No | 0.4 |
| SR 235 | North | ⊠Yes□No | 6.4 |
| US 30 | East | □Yes⊠No | 0.1 |
| US 68 | South | □Yes⊠No | 4.2 |



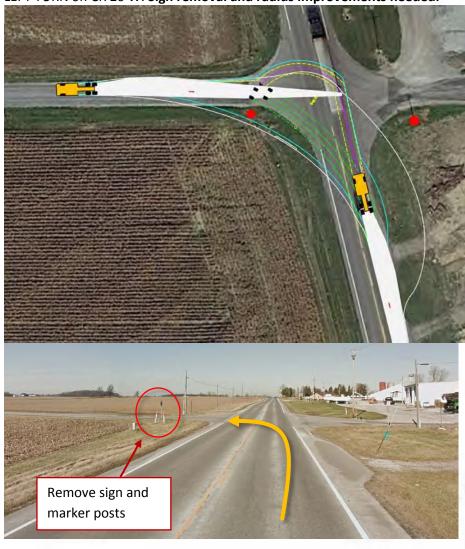


Route Review

Blades

US 68 N (Miles on this road: 13.6)

- OR 1.9 Railroad tracks, small crown. DOT# 261589Y. Phone (800) 232-0144
- OR 2.1 Low lights, 15-8 over the left lane. Stay right to clear.
- OR 2.4 Railroad tracks, small crown. DOT# 513766A. Phone (800) 232-0144
- OR 3.6 Low wire, clear in oncoming lane.
- OR 12.5 Railroad tracks, small crown. DOT# 532633B. Phone (800) 946-4744
- OR 12.9 Low wire, clear in oncoming lane.
- OR 13.5 Railroad tracks, rough. DOT# 513748C. Phone (800) 232-0144
- OR 13.6 LEFT TURN on CR 20 W. Sign removal and radius improvements needed.





Towers & Nacelles

US 68 N (Miles on this road: 2.6)

• OR 0.0 LEFT TURN out of the railyard. Wide radius, no issues.



- OR 1.9
- TOWER UP for RAILROAD TRACKS. DOT# 261589Y. Phone (800) 232-0144
- OR 2.1
- Low hanging lights, 15-8. Center up between them.
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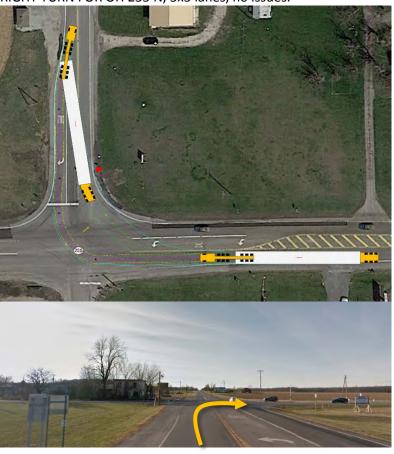
• OR 2.6 LEFT TURN for OH 309 W. Remove\relocate highway sign on the southwest corner. Need to create no parking zones on the east and north side of the intersection.





OH 309 W (Miles on this road: 12.8)

• OR 12.8 RIGHT TURN FOR OH 235 N, 3x3 lanes, no issues.

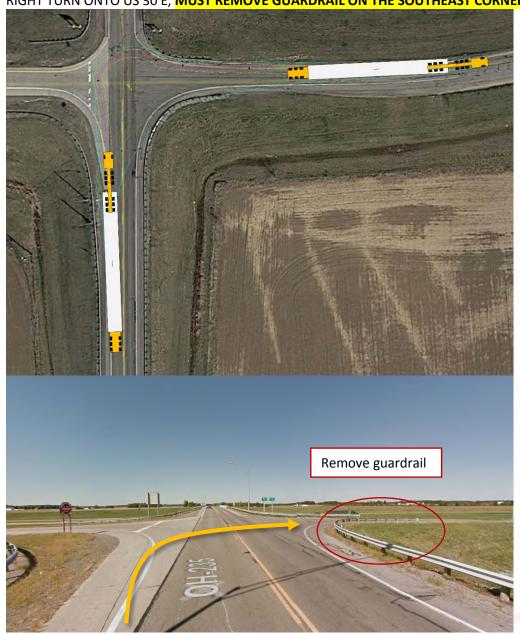


OH 235 N (Miles on this road: 6.4)

- OR 1.6 Low wire, clear in oncoming lane
- OR 1.8 Low tree limbs MUST BE TRIMMED, 15-3 HIGH.
- OR 2.0 TOWER UP for RAILROAD TRACKS. DOT# 532679J. Phone (800) 946-4744
- OR 3.0 LOW WIRE, Clear in oncoming lane.



• OR 6.4 RIGHT TURN ONTO US 30 E, MUST REMOVE GUARDRAIL ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER.

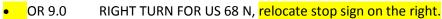


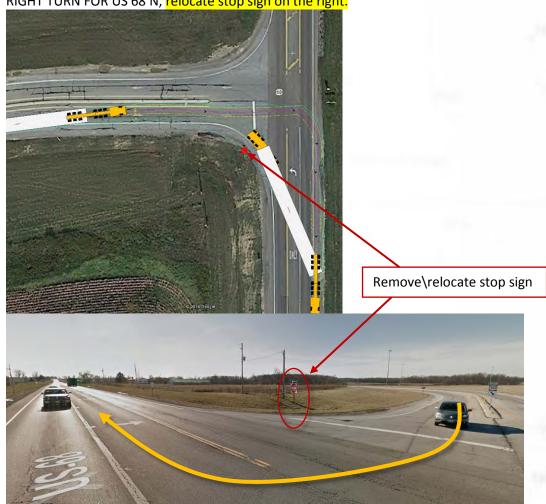




US 30 E (Miles on this road: 9.0)

• OR 8.4 EXIT FOR US 68 S

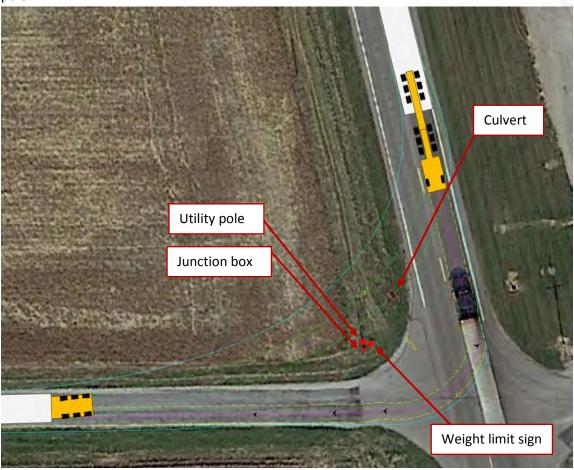


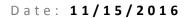




US 68 S (Miles on this road: 3.0)

• OR 3.0 RIGHT TURN on CR 20 W. End of route survey. Radius improvement needed. Remove pole







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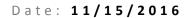


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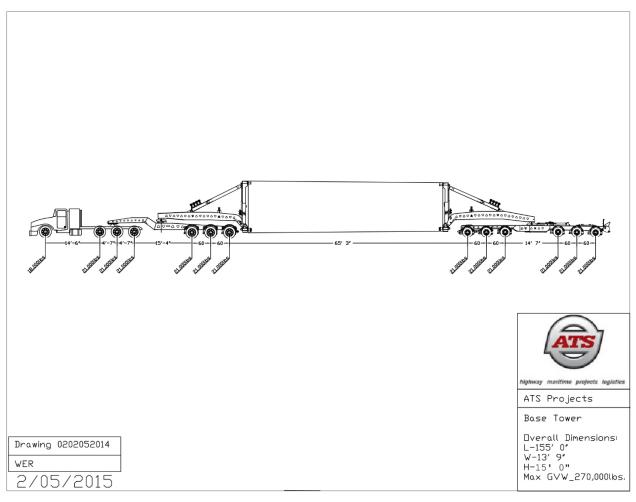




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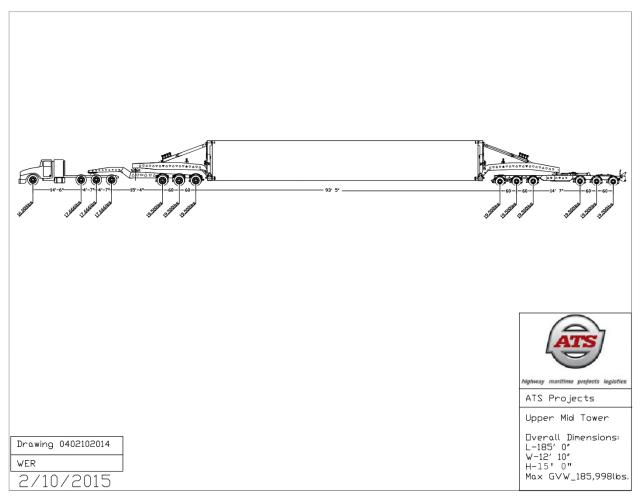
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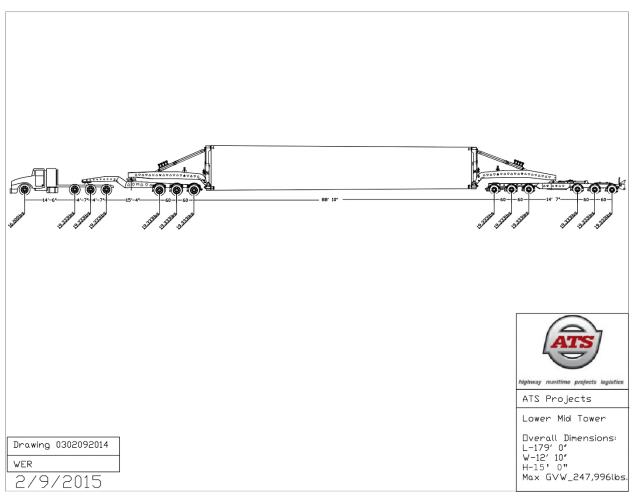
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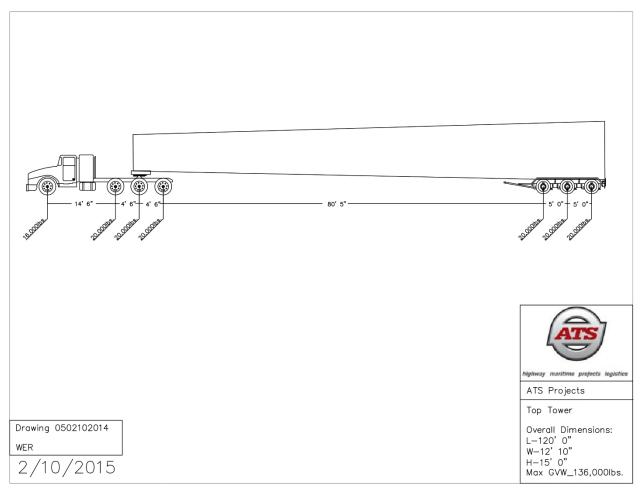
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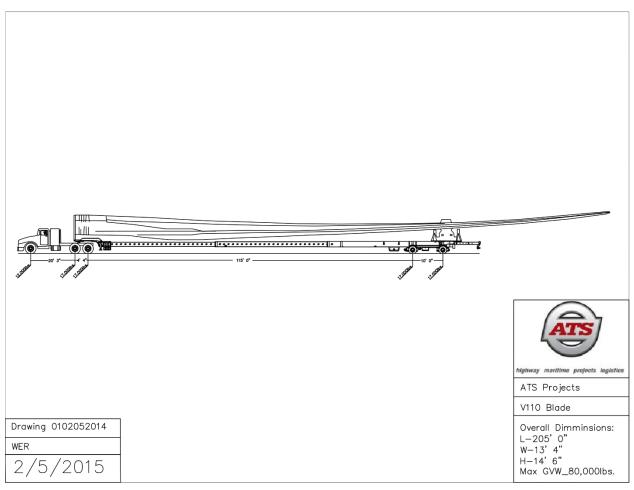
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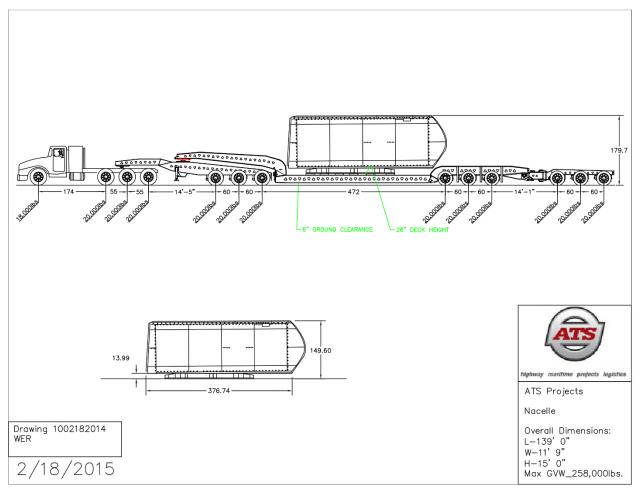
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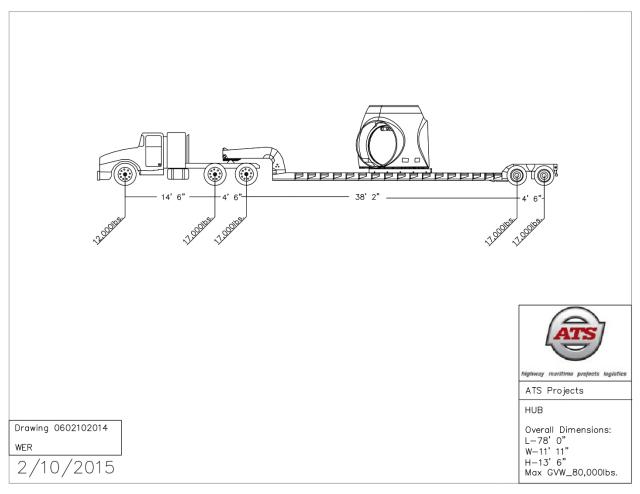
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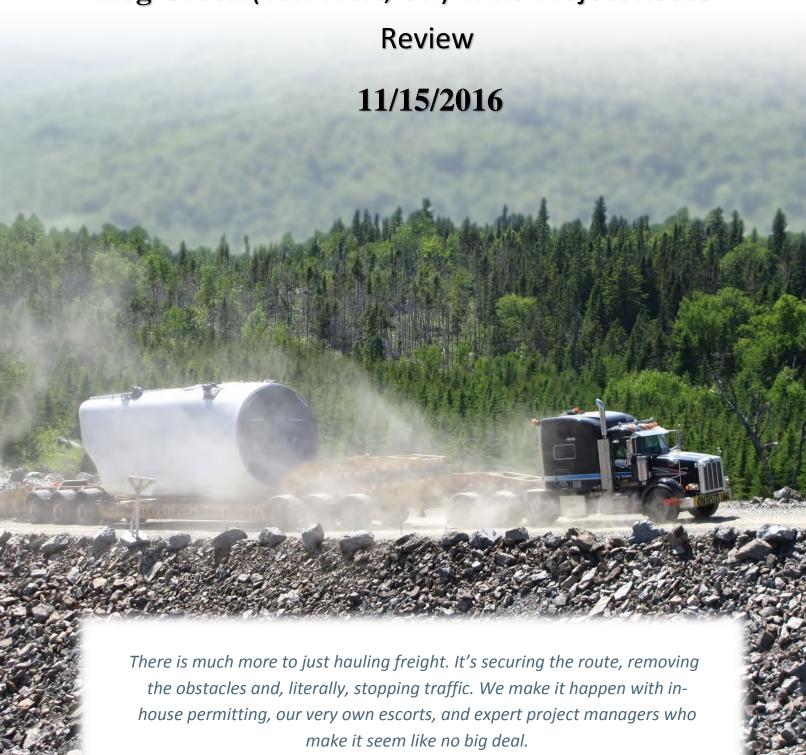




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Hog Creek (Van Wert, OH) Wind Project Route



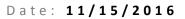




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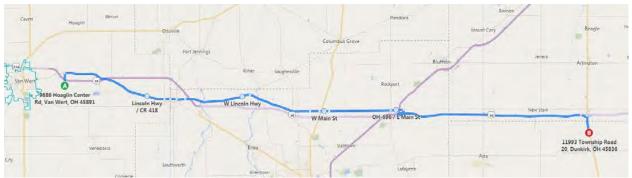
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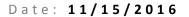


Map 1: Preferred route from Van Wert to Hog Creek Wind Project in Dunkirk, Ohio. 50.2 miles



Preferred Route of Travel for WEC's from Van Wert, OH to Site

| WEC Transport Route | Direction of Travel | Improvements Needed | Miles |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------|
| CR 5 | North | ⊠Yes□No | 1.0 |
| Lincoln Hwy | East | □Yes⊠No | 29 |
| OH 696 | East | □Yes⊠No | 1.9 |
| US 30 | East | ⊠Yes□No | 16 |
| US 68 | South | ⊠Yes□No | 4.2 |





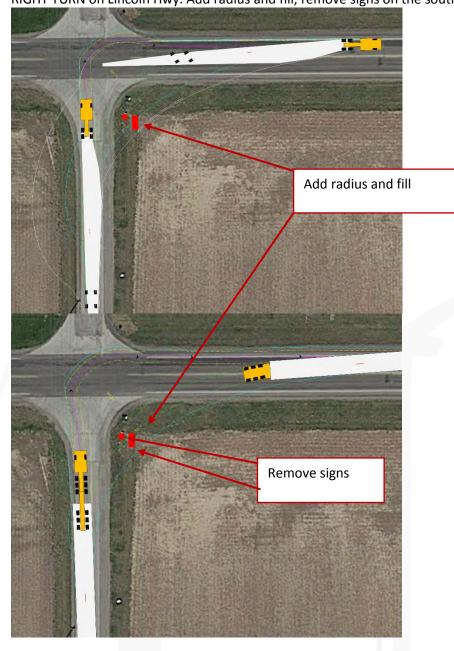
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Van Wert, OH to Site

CR 5 (Miles on this road: 1.0)

• OR 0.2 Narrow bridge

OR 0.4 Narrow bridge
 OR 1.0 RIGHT TURN on Lincoln Hwy. Add radius and fill, remove signs on the southeast corner.





Lincoln Hwy E (Miles on this road: 29.0)

- OR 22.9 **TOWER UP for Hump in the road.**
- OR 23.4 <u>TOWER UP for Railroad tracks.</u> Railroad tracks, small crown. DOT# 155699V. Phone (800) 232-0144
- OR 28.8 **TOWER UP for Railroad tracks.** DOT 476885G Phone 800-453-2530
- OR 29.0 Continue Straight on OH 696 E

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• OR 0.4 RIGHT TURN ONTO US 30 E, 4x4 lanes, no issues.



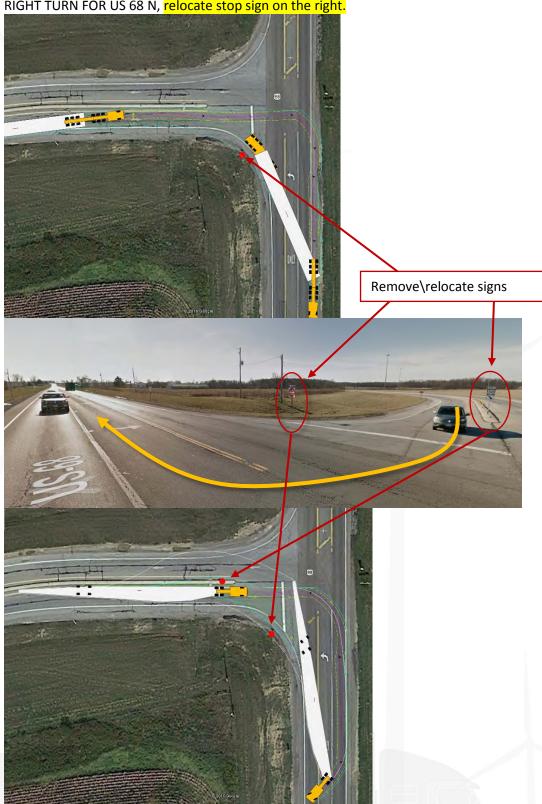


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EXIT FOR US 68 S OR 16.5

• OR 17.2 RIGHT TURN FOR US 68 N, relocate stop sign on the right.

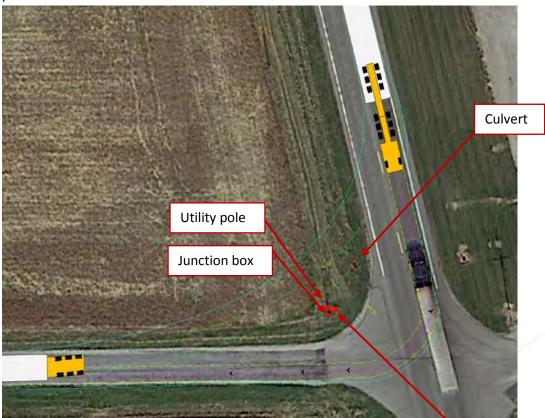


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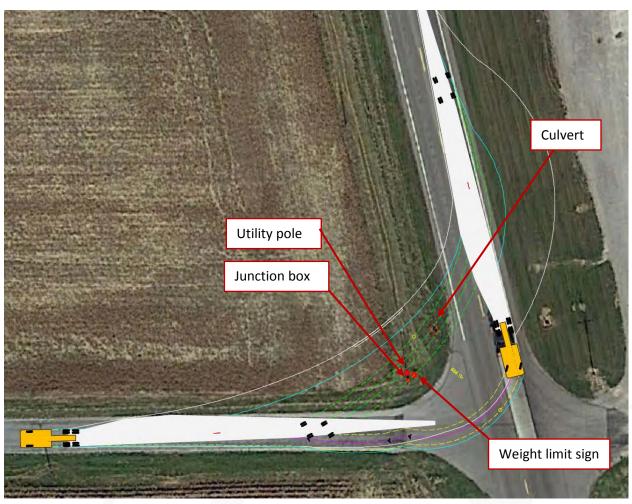
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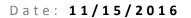
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Weight limit sign









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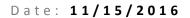


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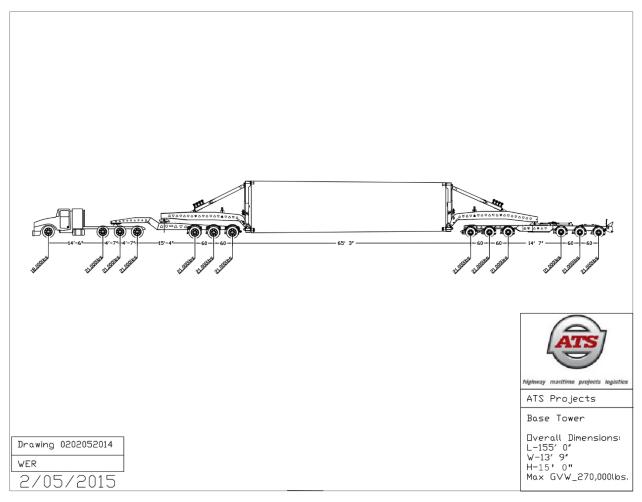




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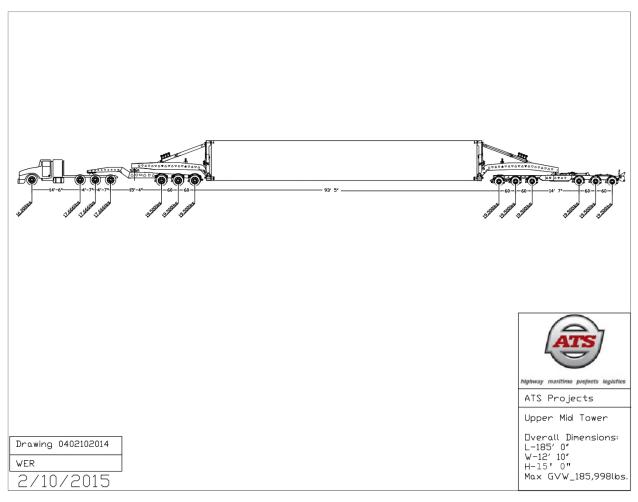
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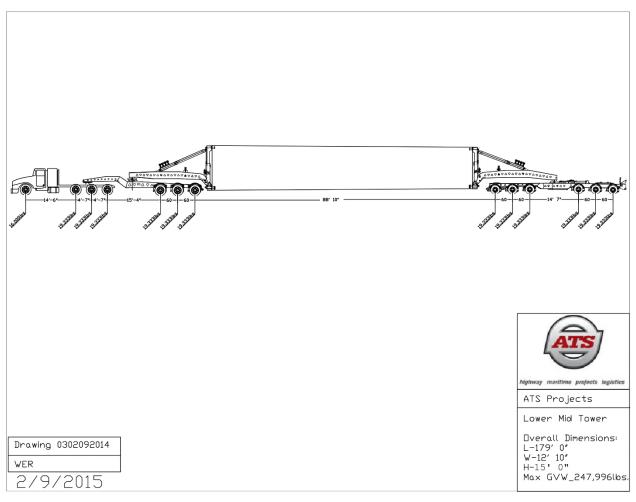
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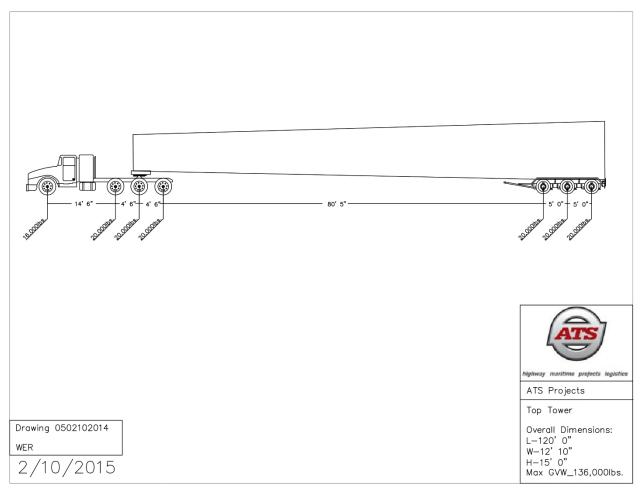
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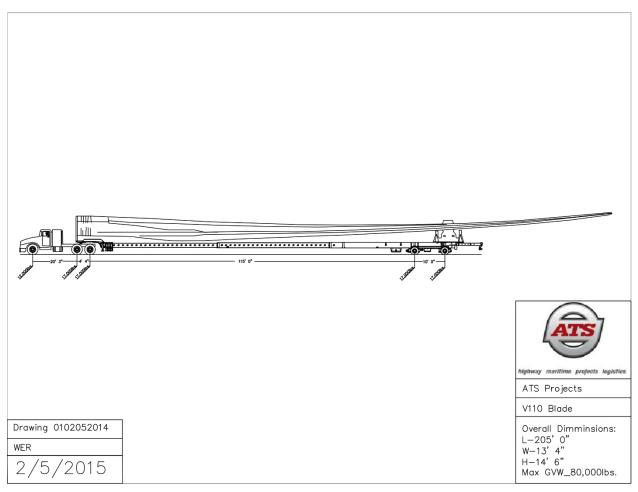
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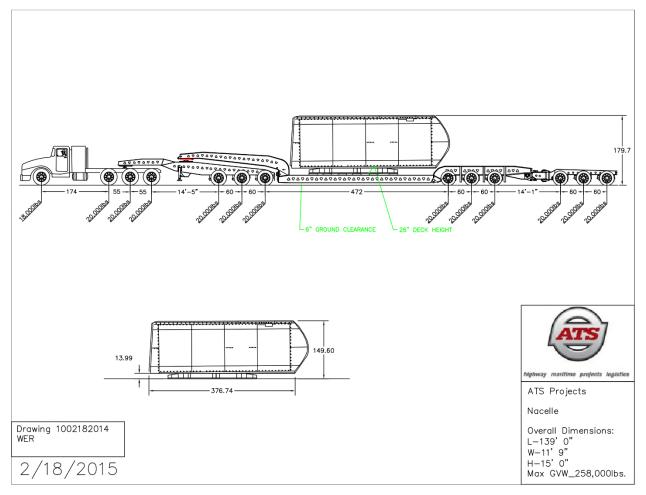
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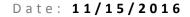


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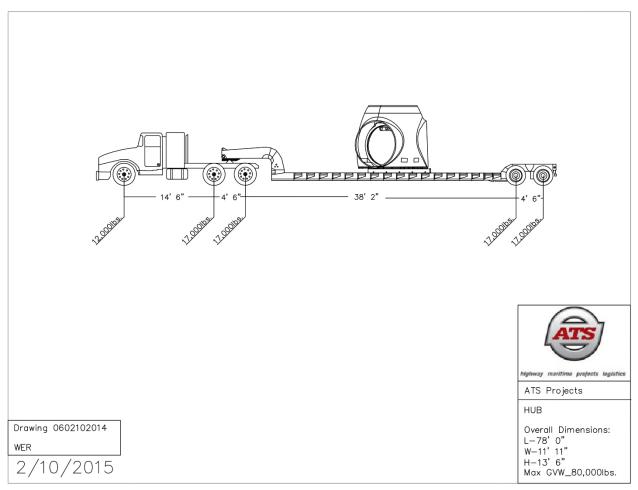




Commodity 6: Nacelle







Commodity 7: Hub

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