

November 26, 2018

Ms. Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary
Ohio Power Siting Board
Docketing Division
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Re: Case No. 18-91-EL-BGN, In the Matter of the Application of Paulding Wind Farm IV LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to Construct a Wind-Powered Electric Generation Facility in Paulding County, Ohio

Proof of Second Publication and Service of Accepted, Complete Application

Dear Ms. McNeal:

In accordance with Ohio Administrative Code Rule 4906-3-09(A)(2), Paulding Wind Farm IV LLC published and served notice of the application and procedural schedule for this matter. Attached please find a copy of the proofs of the second publication attesting that notice of the accepted, complete application was published in the *West Bend News*, a newspaper of general circulation in Paulding County, on November 20, 2018.

We are available, at your convenience, to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

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CELEBRATING OHIO WILDLIFE: AMERICAN BADGER



By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD

It's time once again to make a trek to the great outdoors and learn about some great Ohio wildlife. Have you been following our journey about the animals that call Ohio home? We have covered a vast array of native Ohio animals such as the big brown bat, river otter, smoky shrew, prairie vole, hummingbirds, and turkeys, just to name a few recent features, but we are certainly not done! For this week, our feature animal is the American badger. Let's learn about their habitat, identifying characteristics, behaviors, and so much more!

The American badger is listed by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) as a "Species of Concern", which is an informal term indicating a species which may have a range or habitat that may be restricted or have low populations. This animal is a close relative of a commonly seen animal, the striped skunk. One thing that is notably similar between both animals is the white stripe that extends from their nose back to their head. Around their eyes and cheeks, they have patches of white fur or "badges" to which they receive their name with the remaining parts of their body appearing as a mixture of silvery gray, black, and buff colors and black feet, according to ODNR. The badger is further identified

by its flat, stocky body, short legs, webbed toes, small ears, and long claws.

Male badgers will reach sizes up to 16-24 pounds with females coming in on the lighter side at around 14 pounds. The average lifespan of this species is typically in the range of 4-5 years while they do have the ability to live up to 14 years, according to ODNR. Throughout the United States, the American badger can be found in a wide variety of areas covering much of the country west of the Mississippi River. They can also be found in the mid-western states of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin. According to NatureWorks, this species prefers areas that offer tall grass prairies and farmland, although they also like to make a home around forest edges. The nest entrance for the badger will resemble that of a large groundhog hole with a large amount of displaced soil beside the hole.

The den or burrow for the badger is a crucial component of their life as they use it for sleeping, hunting, food storage, and giving birth to their young. NatureWorks writes that they will not always stay in the same burrow from day to day, with the exception being when they are giving birth to their young.

Mating season for the American badger typically takes place in the summer and early autumn months.

ODNR writes that members of this species are polygamous breeders and although mating takes place in the summer, fertilization does not take place until December through February. Once fertilization takes place, the gestation period for the badger is about six weeks with the young being born in nests that are typically underground and lined with grass around March. The typical litter will range between 1-5 young. According to NatureWorks, the young badgers are born without sight, which comes at about 4 weeks old, and with a thin fur coat. Once the badger reaches an age of 8-12 weeks, they will be weaned from the mother yet will stay with her until the 7 to 9-month stage of their life.

It is the superior sense of smell and hearing that helps the American badger locate prey for their meal, according to ODNR. They prefer burrowing animals such as rats, gophers, mice, and the ground squirrel for most of their diet. NatureWorks writes that they utilize their strong, sharp claws to dig their prey from the ground and sometimes digging into the home of another animal eagerly awaiting their return. Coyotes nearby watch the fearful prey of the badger flee from their den and seize upon the opportunity to get themselves a meal. ODNR writes that badgers have nictitating eyelids, which are transparent covers over their eyes that shield their eyes from the soil displaced as they are digging. Other animals such as snakes, birds, and other reptiles also can be part of the badger's diet.

In defense, the badger has developed many things to protect itself from predators. The muscular neck and thick, loose fur allows them the opportunity to look behind them to bite and claw at their predator, according to NatureWorks. Not only do they do that, but they will let out loud sounds that sound like a hiss, growl, or snarl.

Now you have a good understanding about another great Ohio animal, but there are so many more to go! Have you seen the American badger out and about in your neighborhood? If so, send us your pictures and we would love to share! Stay tuned for further installments of our Ohio Wildlife series to learn about more animals that call our great state home!

NEWALLEN ALLIANCE MAKES THEIR PITCH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INDIANA REGIONAL STELLAR COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Infectious excitement happening throughout East Allen County as NewAllen Alliance team members are one step away from seeing their dream projects targeting quality of life become tangible. Community leaders from all parts of East Allen County are uniting together in the hopes to become designated a Stellar Community by the State of Indiana!

In late September, the NewAllen Alliance submitted the East Allen Rural Revival Regional Development Plan to the State of Indiana for consideration to be one of two regions selected to be an Indiana Regional Stellar Community designee. Today, a contingent of twenty

NewAllen community leaders presented the merits of their plan to several state agencies in Indianapolis.

"Our communities and partners have worked extremely hard and have been extremely focused on the Stellar submission and presentation, stated Kent Castleman, President of NewAllen Alliance. I was happy to see such a large group of people willing to come and speak on our behalf and share how they have been involved in the plan. Having our elected officials and economic development professionals excited about our work and plan for

the future is reassuring that East Allen is alive and well."

Allen County Commissioner Nelson Peters added, "I'm excited to be a part of the team today (Friday) sharing all the great ideas our partners in East Allen County have developed. I have been so impressed by the team work, passion, and vision of the NewAllen Alliance team."

East Allen's Rural Revival Regional Development Plan is a bold vision to improve quality of place in all seven of East Allen's Communities. Proposed projects will help connect people to places within the rural areas...think

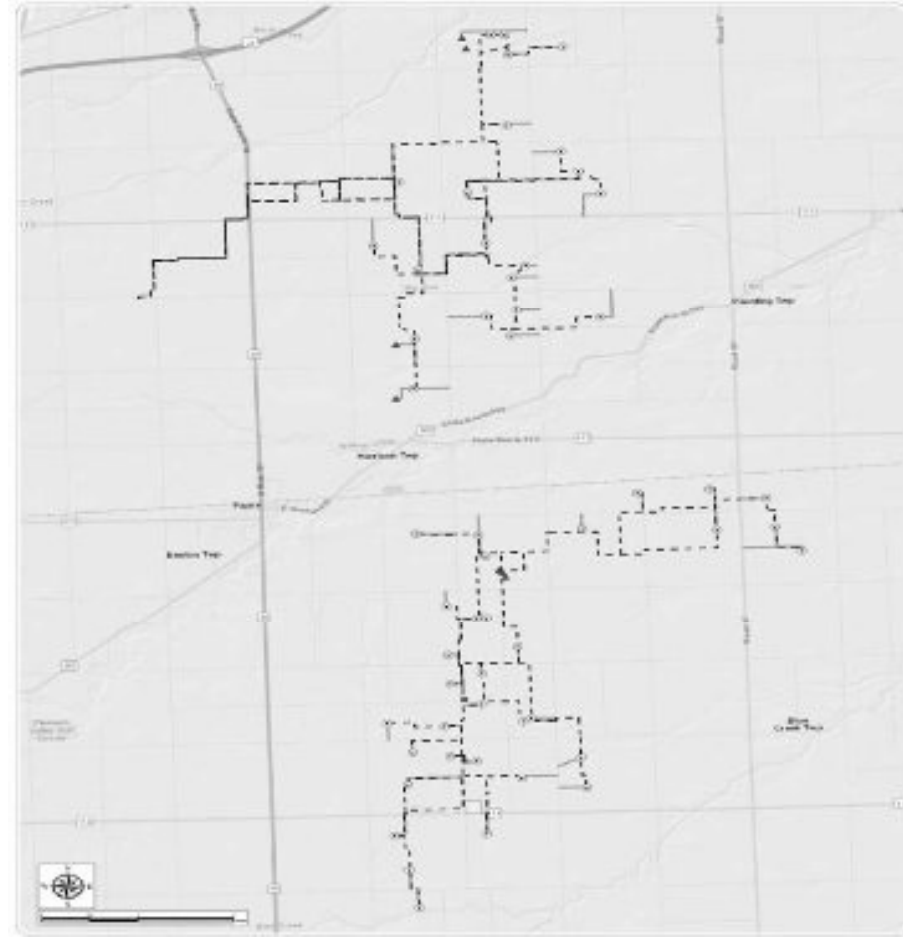
downtowns, parks, trails, and housing developments, in addition to capitalizing on the industrial growth opportunities of the region's transportation assets.

The region's vision is to grow population by enhancing the livability of rural areas, which will attract and retain a talented workforce that benefits all of Allen County and Northeast Indiana. The proposed portfolio includes over \$17 million in projects that are being proposed for support through the Indiana Regional Stellar Communities program. The remaining \$47 million

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING FOR PROPOSED UTILITY FACILITY

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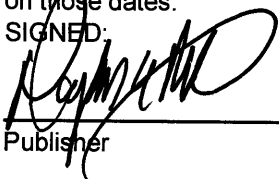
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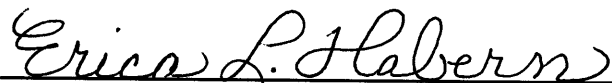
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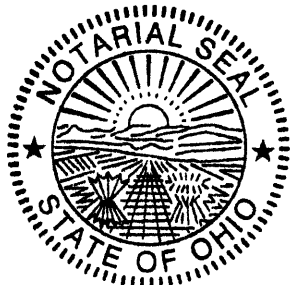


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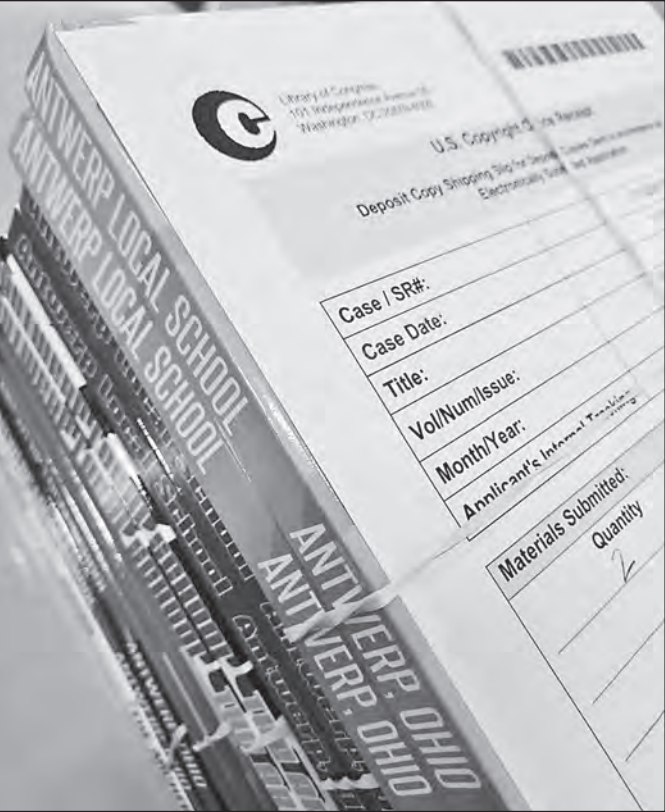
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Antwerp Archer yearbook staff applies for copyright

ANTWERP – The Archer Yearbook staff is proud to announce that they recently applied for a copyright through the U.S. Copyright Office for all of the yearbooks that have been produced by The Archer staff since 2013.

The process required an on-line application and the staff had to send in two copies of each yearbook to the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. They will receive an official document from the Library of Congress in a few months.

The copyright license will be held by The Archer editors and will pass down each year to the new editors. This process will protect student work from being copied, sold, or distributed without the consent of the student editors. In the future, the editors will be responsible for applying for the copyright license each year.

“Yearbook advisers around the country are concerned with the alarming trend of public libraries

and other organizations freely copying student work without the consent of the students who produced it. Digital copies of these yearbooks are making it to companies who are trying to sell the yearbooks for profit. Many of these organizations have good intentions, but they would not freely copy a book produced by anyone else, but for some reason think that student work is free reign. This copyright will give The Archer Yearbook staff protection from these situations,” said adviser Amy Sorrell, who recently earned her Master Journalism Educator certification from the Journalism Education Association.

The Archer yearbook has earned All-Ohio from the Ohio Scholastic Press Association for the last three years. The staff also recently received a Gold Medalist critique from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association in New York City and a First Place Critique from the National Scholastic Press Association.



Antwerp Local Schools held its annual Veterans Day assembly on Friday, Nov. 9. Students and staff honored veterans with a tribute video, performances by the choir and band, artwork and more. Some of the veterans visited students in their classrooms. After the assembly, veterans enjoyed a lunch served by the cafeteria staff. Here, first grade students join veterans in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of the assembly.

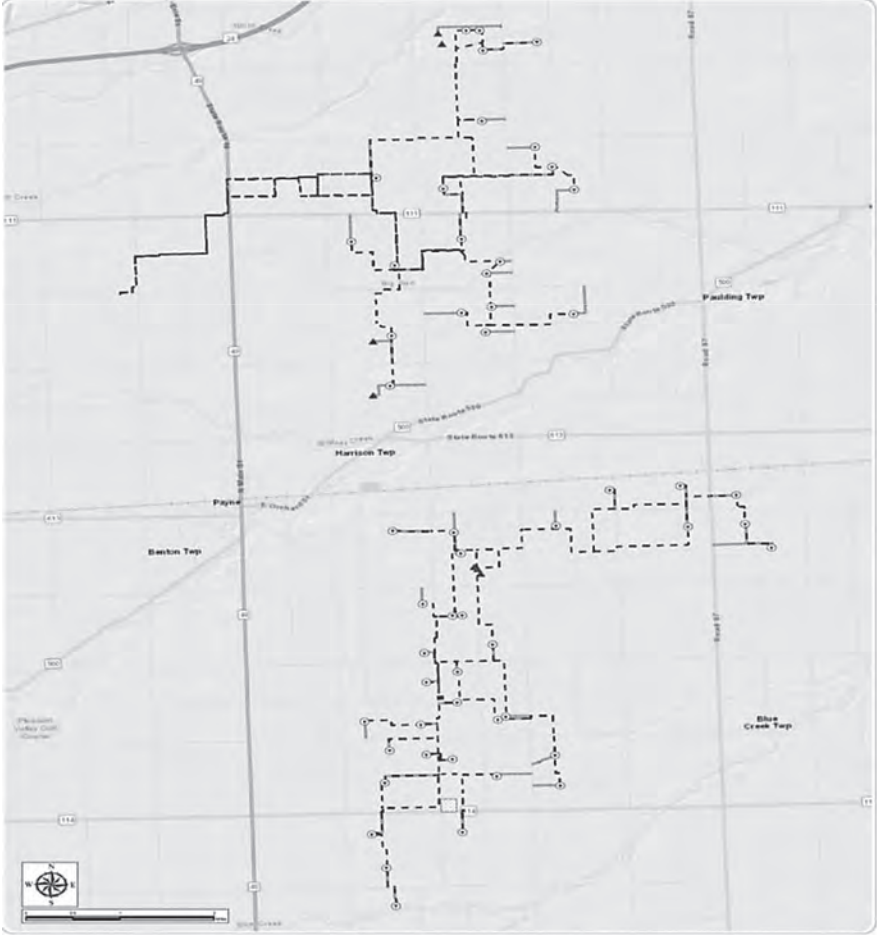


Oakwood Elementary hosted its annual Veterans Day assembly. Once again, there was a fantastic turnout from local veterans. Thank you to all who have served.

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Grover Hill Elementary hosted its annual Veterans Day Program on Monday, Nov. 12. Students and staff were honored by an exceptionally large number of veterans in attendance this year. Grover Hill student council members directed the festivities. To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the signing of the armistice ending World War I, a maple tree was dedicated to be planted on school grounds recognizing all Grover Hill students who have served in the United States military. Music teacher Caitlyn Schmidt led students in grades 1-6 in musical tributes as they sang “My Flag” and “Patriotic Salute.” Students from Mrs. Davis’ fifth and sixth grade social studies classes presented their essays on “What Makes Me Proud of America?”



SYNERGY Learning Center recently celebrated Veterans Day by holding a ceremony to honor all veterans, past and present. Mr. Dan Kline’s history class organized and presented the assembly. Pictured are, front row from left – Noah Kline, veteran Jeff Banks, veteran Marvin Miller, veteran Bill Short, Mr. Dan Kline; back row – Ciarra Owens, Kayley Densel and America Short.

Alzheimer’s group meets monthly

PAULDING – An Alzheimer’s disease caregiver group meets at 3 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month at Paulding County Hospital’s education room in Paulding. Persons who care for individuals who have Alzheimer’s disease or related memory loss disorder are welcome to attend. For more information, contact Linda Pollitz at 800-272-3900.

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