

Maine Wind & Ocean News Wrap up for June-July '14

Maine favors Patriot project

Maine regulatory staff has recommended the state green light the 22.8MW Canton Mountain wind project proposed by Patriot Renewables.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) issued a draft order approving the eight-turbine scheme. The department commissioner is expected to issue a final determination before the end of this summer.

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<http://renews.biz/67827/maine-favors-patriot-project/> ^[1]

The wind industry's relative youth means fewer traditional barriers for women in Maine

Katherine Joyce, an attorney at Bernstein Shur, sees a multi-billion industry in harnessing wind power. She specializes in the complex permitting process that has accompanied the industry.

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<http://www.mainebiz.biz/article/20140630/CURRENTEDITION/306269995/1088> ^[2]

Maine ahead of curve on new carbon pollution limits

Maine has been a leader in clean energy and efficiency, and will use an existing program to further cut greenhouse gas emissions to meet the first national carbon emission limit proposal ? released yesterday by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ? which aims to reduce carbon pollution from the power sector by 30% nationally and by about 14% in Maine by 2030.

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http://www.mainebiz.biz/article/20140603/NEWS0101/140609984/1092?utm_source=enews&utm_medium=D

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Citizen board upholds Maine DEP's rejection of Bowers Mountain wind farm permit

State regulators have denied permitting for the 16-turbine Bowers Mountain wind project in eastern Penobscot County, rejecting the project by developer First Wind for a second time.

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<http://bangordailynews.com/2014/06/06/business/citizen-board-upholds-maine-deps-rejection-of-permitting-for-bowers-mountain-wind-farm/> ^[4]

Harvard Researchers Are 3-D Printing Fake Balsa Wood For Next-Generation Wind Turbines

In a paper published online in the journal Advanced Materials, the researchers report that they've developed cellular composite materials that mimic balsa wood. They are extremely light and extremely stiff and actually appear to be better than balsa for wind turbines.

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Sea Change: Counting the ways Maine gains from renewable power

We could cut our huge energy costs and achieve lasting economic and health benefits. A 2010 report on energy self-reliant states suggests that Maine could generate 577 percent of its current electricity demand through a combination of renewable technologies and greater efficiency (the most cost-effective way to achieve increased energy self-reliance). Rather than sending energy dollars out of state, Maine could export power, create new jobs and generate needed revenue.

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<http://www.pressherald.com/2014/06/15/sea-change-counting-the-ways-maine-gains-from-renewable-power/> [6]

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