



Project Update

July 15, 2025



Big Bluestem Project Summary

Project Capacity: 300 MW

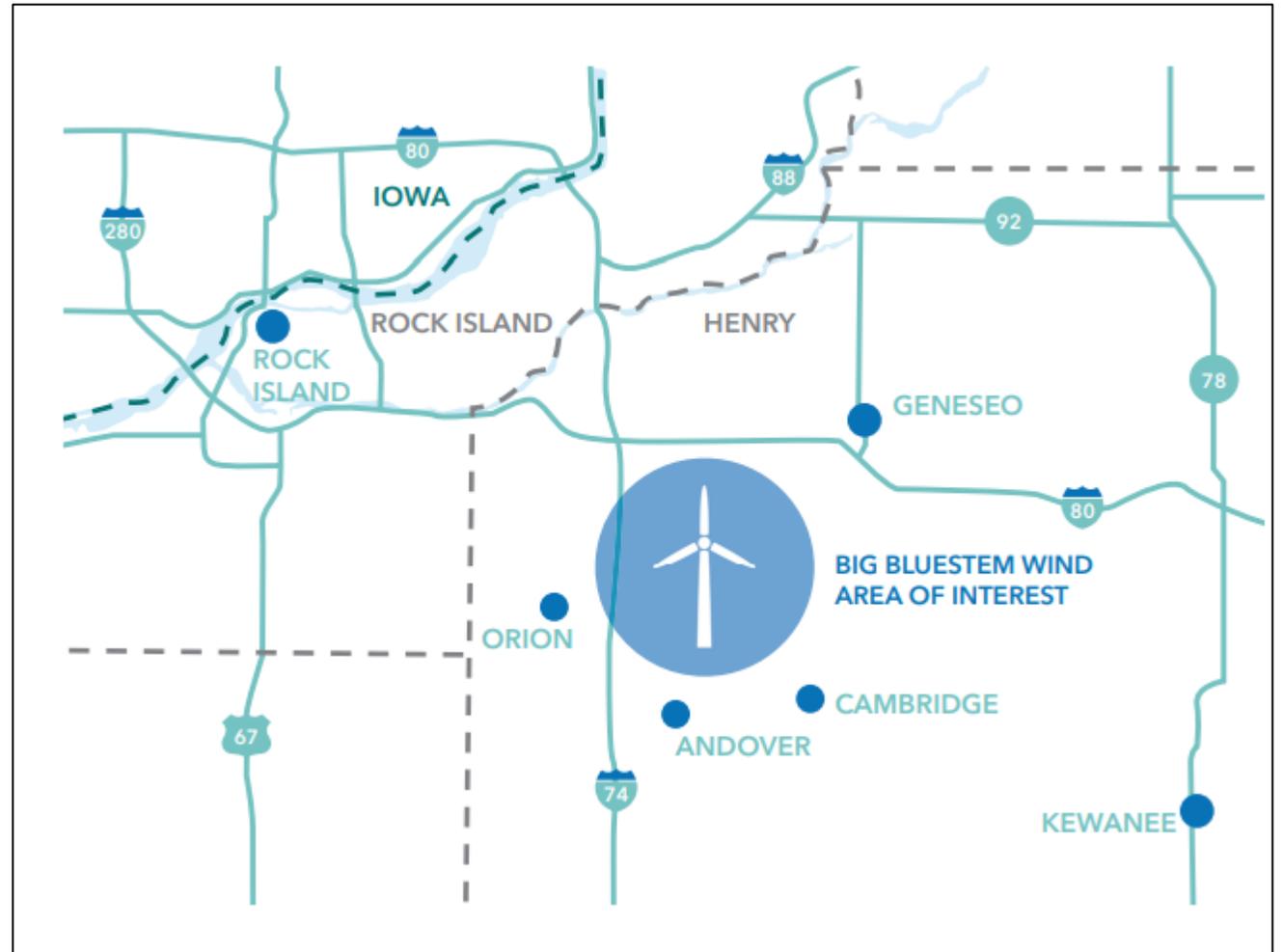
- Enough to power **100,000** U.S. homes each year

Location: **Henry County**

Expected Operational Date: **2029**

Why here?

- Existing Transmission
- Open agricultural land
- Strong wind resource
- Capacity on the grid
- **150+** landowners
- **24,000+** acres



Development Process

1. Initiate leasing land
 2. Meeting and working with community leaders and stakeholders
 3. Studies: wind resource, environmental, etc.
 4. Ongoing interconnection studies
 5. Complete land leasing
 6. Preliminary project design
 7. Permitting
 8. Construction
 9. Operations
- We are here!**
- 2026-2027**
- 2028-2029**



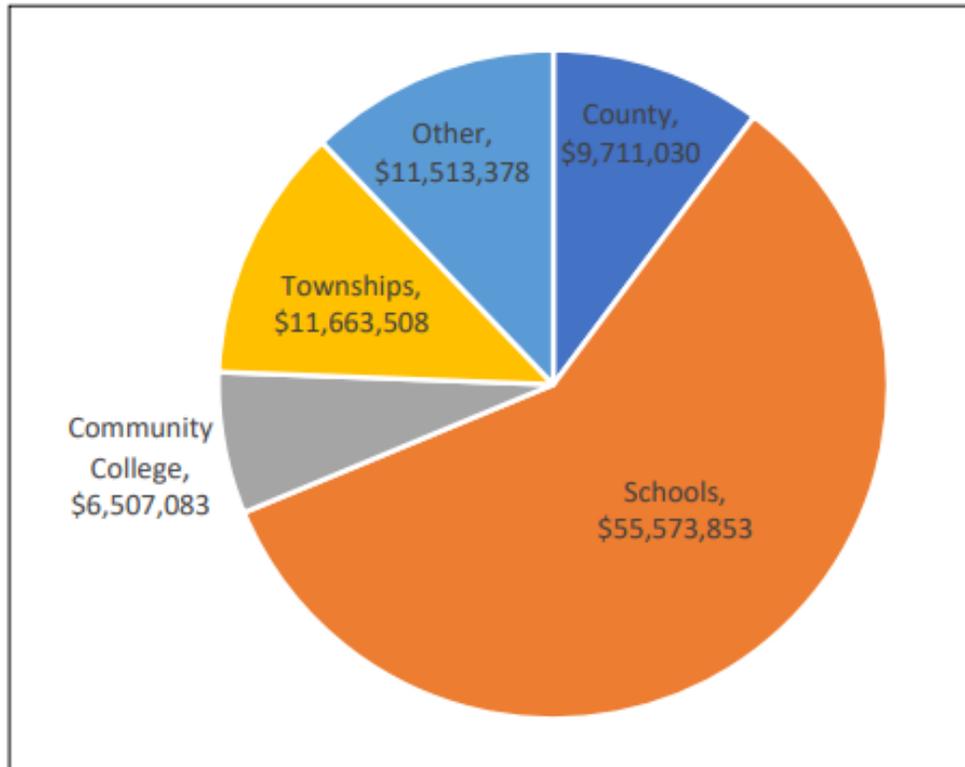
Economic Benefits

In rural communities across the Midwest, local taxing bodies have seen their tax base evaporate as younger generations leave in search of other opportunities.



“I taught for 37 years, so I know the desperate situation our schools are in. I know the struggle that school districts face each year to provide Macoupin County students a competitive per capita expenditure rate as compared to students in the northern third of our state,” said Gage. “The money that they stand to gain cannot be denied. Macoupin County needs that support.”

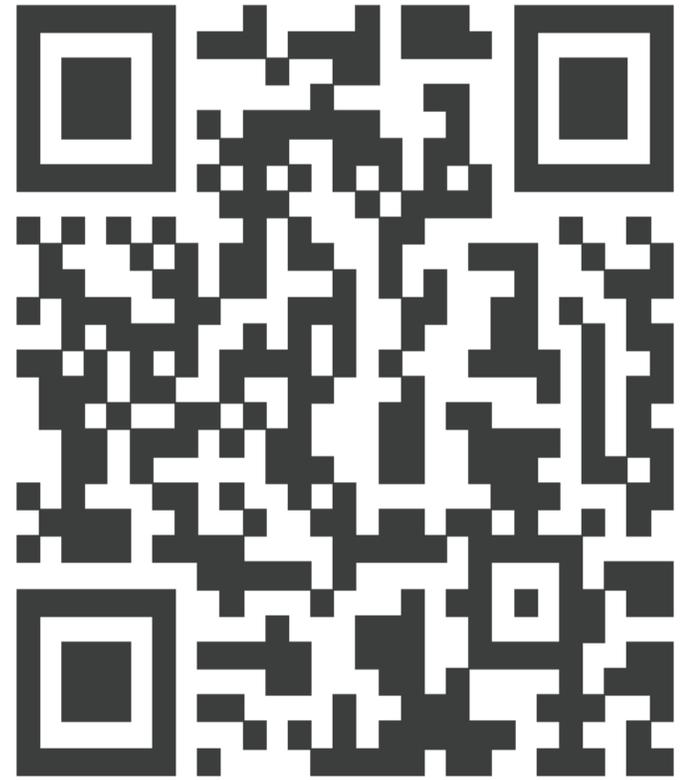
**-- Dixie Gage, retired schoolteacher & school board member
Macoupin County, IL**



Big Bluestem's Contribution to the Henry County Tax Base

- \$** Over \$55.5 million in total school district revenue over the life of the Project
- \$** Over \$9.7 million in total county property taxes for Henry County over the life of the Project
- \$** Over \$94.9 million in property taxes in total for all taxing districts over the life of the Project

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