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July 12, 2019

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Via Email and Federal Express

Re: App 1374-Lazbuddie ISD –Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC
Amendment No. 01 to Application

Dear Ms. Collazo,

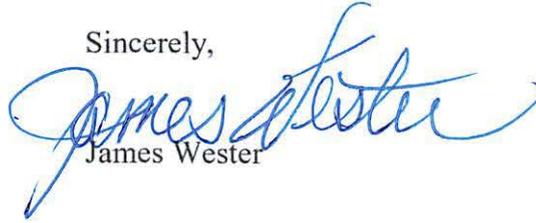
Enclosed please find amended application pages provided by the Applicant for the Chapter 313 Application submitted by Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC to Lazbuddie ISD to (the “Application”), along with a signature page to acknowledge these changes. This Amendment makes the following changes to the Application:

1. Page 7, Section 14, #2 - updated to add year.
2. Page 7, Section 14, #7a and b – amount changed with updated wage data as noted for Tab 13 below.
3. Tab 3 is updated with information regarding the Franchise Tax Return.
4. Tabs 7 and 8 are updated to include language regarding the location of the project and to clarify the improvements.
5. Tab 11 maps are updated as follows:
 - a. Reinvestment Zone Map – county boundary line color changed and reference in Legend to Project Area changed to Project Boundary.
 - b. Vicinity Map - reference in Legend to Project Area changed to Project Boundary
6. Tab 13 is updated to include the four most recent quarters of wage data for calculating the Average Weekly Wage was updated to include Q4 of 2018, and remove Q4 of 2017;
 - a. In addition, the QCEW data filters were changed for the average weekly wage of all jobs to be “Total All, All Industries” for Ownership; and
 - b. Data regarding Animal Food Manufacturing Wage removed as no correct Manufacturing Wage is available for Parmer County.

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A CD containing this Amendment also enclosed. This Amendment, dated July 3, 2019 and numbered 01, is the first amendment to the Application. Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,



James Wester

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cc: Adam Glatz, Ernst & Young, LP

via email: adam.h.glatz@ey.com

1374 – Lazbuddie ISD – Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC

Amendment 1 to Chapter 313 Application

July 03, 2019

SECTION 14: Wage and Employment Information

1. What is the estimated number of permanent jobs (more than 1,600 hours a year), with the applicant or a contractor of the applicant, on the proposed qualified property during the last complete quarter before the application review start date (date your application is finally determined to be complete)? 0
2. What is the last complete calendar quarter before application review start date:
 First Quarter Second Quarter Third Quarter Fourth Quarter of 2019
(year)
3. What were the number of permanent jobs (more than 1,600 hours a year) this applicant had in Texas during the most recent quarter reported to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)? 0
Note: For job definitions see TAC §9.1051 and Tax Code §313.021(3).
4. What is the number of new qualifying jobs you are committing to create? 5
5. What is the number of new non-qualifying jobs you are estimating you will create? 0
6. Do you intend to request that the governing body waive the minimum new qualifying job creation requirement, as provided under Tax Code §313.025(f-1)? Yes No
 - 6a. If yes, attach evidence in **Tab 12** documenting that the new qualifying job creation requirement above exceeds the number of employees necessary for the operation, according to industry standards.
7. Attach in **Tab 13** the four most recent quarters of data for each wage calculation below, including documentation from the TWC website. The final actual statutory minimum annual wage requirement for the applicant for each qualifying job — which may differ slightly from this estimate — will be based on information from the four quarterly periods for which data were available at the time of the application review start date (date of a completed application). See TAC §9.1051(21) and (22).
 - a. Average weekly wage for all jobs (all industries) in the county is 820.00
 - b. 110% of the average weekly wage for manufacturing jobs in the county is N/A
 - c. 110% of the average weekly wage for manufacturing jobs in the region is 1,040.56
8. Which Tax Code section are you using to estimate the qualifying job wage standard required for this project? §313.021(5)(A) or §313.021(5)(B)
9. What is the minimum required annual wage for each qualifying job based on the qualified property? 54,109.00
10. What is the annual wage you are committing to pay for each of the new qualifying jobs you create on the qualified property? 55,000.00
11. Will the qualifying jobs meet all minimum requirements set out in Tax Code §313.021(3)? Yes No
12. Do you intend to satisfy the minimum qualifying job requirement through a determination of cumulative economic benefits to the state as provided by §313.021(3)(F)? Yes No
 - 12a. If yes, attach in **Tab 12** supporting documentation from the TWC, pursuant to §313.021(3)(F).
13. Do you intend to rely on the project being part of a single unified project, as allowed in §313.024(d-2), in meeting the qualifying job requirements? Yes No
 - 13a. If yes, attach in **Tab 6** supporting documentation including a list of qualifying jobs in the other school district(s).

SECTION 15: Economic Impact

1. Complete and attach Schedules A1, A2, B, C, and D in **Tab 14**. Note: Excel spreadsheet versions of schedules are available for download and printing at URL listed below.
2. Attach an Economic Impact Analysis, if supplied by other than the Comptroller's Office, in **Tab 15**. (*not required*)
3. If there are any other payments made in the state or economic information that you believe should be included in the economic analysis, attach a separate schedule showing the amount for each year affected, including an explanation, in **Tab 15**.



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Tab #3

Documentation of Combined Group membership

The entity Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC was formed April 9, 2019. On the 2019 annual franchise tax report Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC will be included as an affiliate entity on the consolidated group report for Invenergy Renewables LLC (Texas Taxpayer No. 32066250690).

Invenergy Renewables LLC was registered to do business in Texas on February 14, 2018. As such, the Franchise Tax Return for Report Year 2019, covering Tax Year 2018, will be the first filing of its kind for Invenergy Renewables LLC. While originally due in May, Invenergy Renewables LLC has filed a request for an extension for its Report Year 2019 Franchise Tax Return until November 2019. Once the Report Year 2019 return is filed, the documentation listing Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC as a member of the combined group will become available.



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Description of Qualified Investment

The proposed qualified investment consists of 40 - 90 wind mills.

Other improvements include wind turbines, towers, foundations, roadways, buildings and offices, anemometer towers, computer equipment, electrical transmission cables and towers and electrical substations. There will be one operations and maintenance building. Computer equipment will be used for SCADA system interface, work order management, reporting systems, and general office work. A portion of the transmission lines may extend into other counties.

The capital investment for this project is estimated to be \$250 million to \$325 million. Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC anticipates the commencement of commercial operations for this project by the fourth quarter of 2021.

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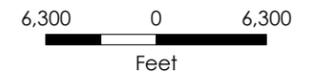
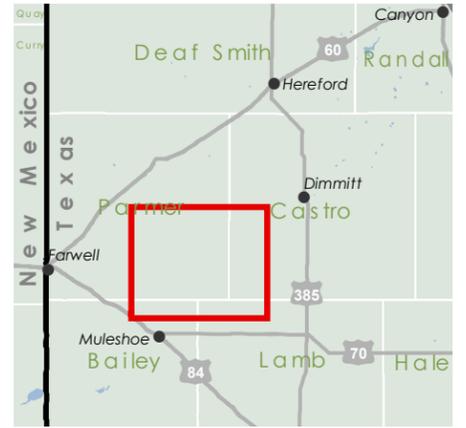
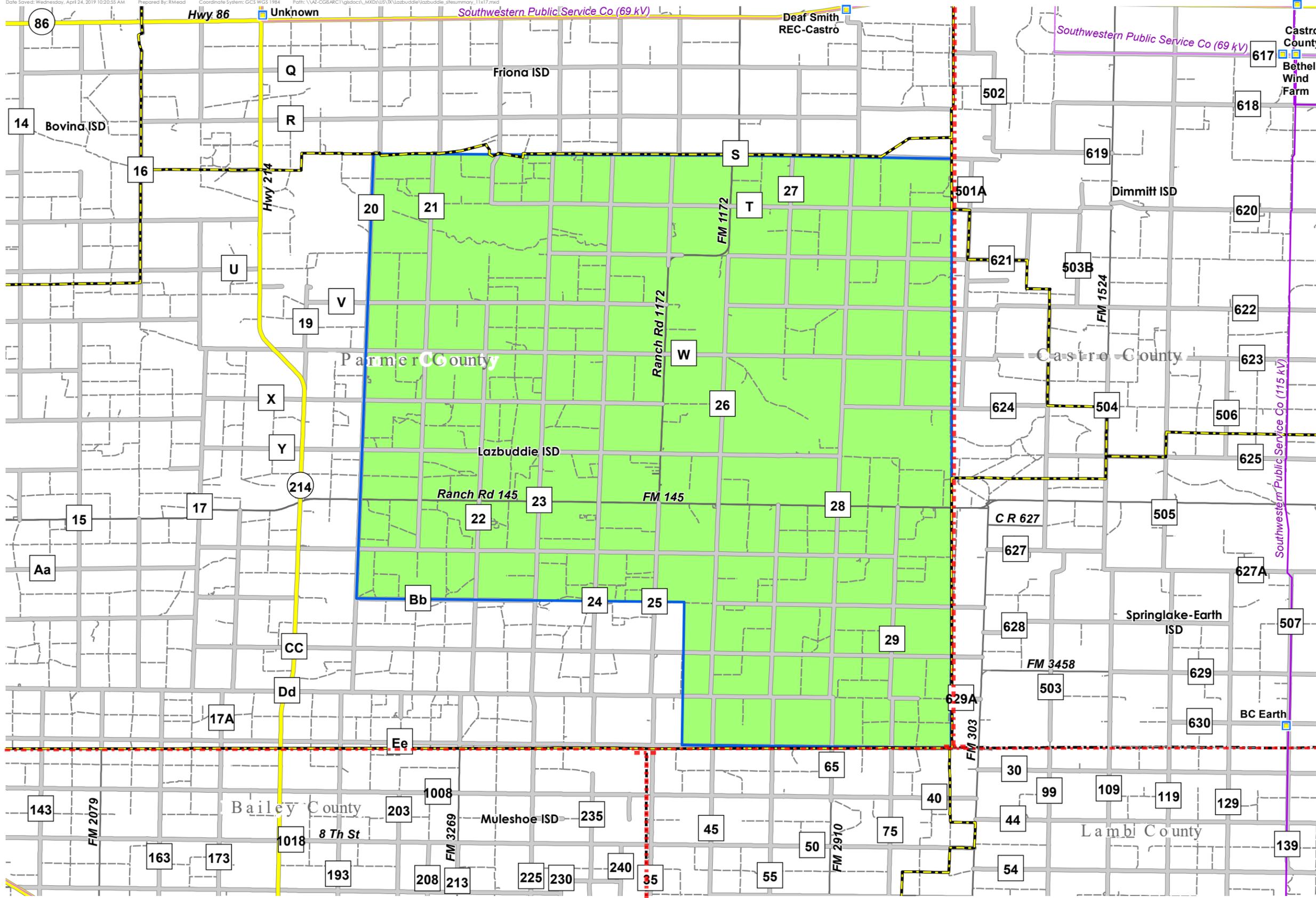
Lazbuddie Wind Energy LLC proposes constructing a wind power farm with an output of up to 235MW on up to 65,000 acres of privately-owned land in Parmer County.

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Legend

- Substation Location
- School District
- Project Boundary
- County Boundary
- Reinvestment Zone
- Transmission Line**
- Under 100 kV
- 100 - 161 kV
- Road Classification**
- US/State Route
- County Road
- Local Road
- Dirt/Unpaved Road

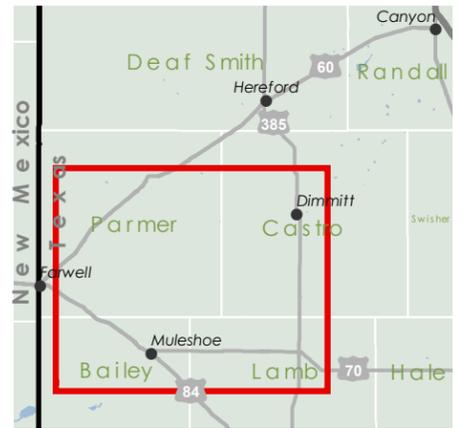
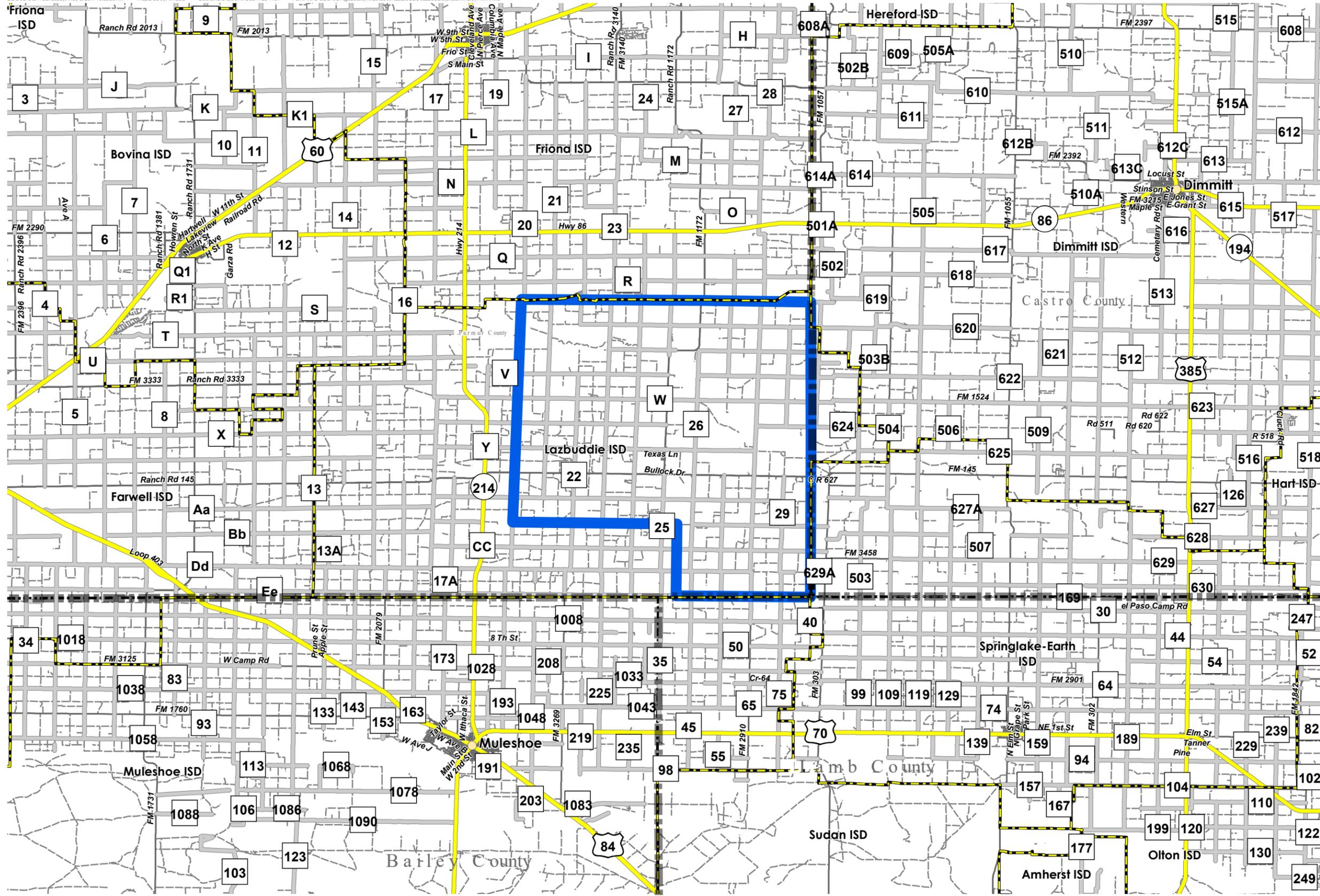
Reinvestment Zone Map

Lazbuddie Wind Project | Parmer County, Texas

Rev. 00
April 24, 2019



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Legend

- City/Town
 - School District
 - Project Boundary
 - County Boundary
- Road Classification**
- US/State Route
 - County Road
 - Local Road
 - Dirt/Unpaved Road

Vicinity Map

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May 10, 2019





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Tab #13

Calculation of three possible wage requirements with TWC documentation

County Average Weekly Wages for All Jobs

Year	Quarter	County	Industry	Avg Weekly Wage
2018	4th Qtr	Parmer	Total, All Industries	\$ 850.00
2018	3rd Qtr	Parmer	Total, All Industries	\$ 837.00
2018	2nd Qtr	Parmer	Total, All Industries	\$ 812.00
2018	1st Qtr	Parmer	Total, All Industries	\$ 781.00
			Total	\$ 3,280.00
			Average	\$ 820.00

110% of County Average Weekly Wages for Manufacturing Jobs

N/A



Parmer County Data

Get Report

Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Report

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Year	Period	Area	Ownership	Industry Code	Industry	Average Weekly Wage
2018	01	Parmer	Total All	10	Total, All Industries	781
2018	02	Parmer	Total All	10	Total, All Industries	812
2018	03	Parmer	Total All	10	Total, All Industries	837
2018	04	Parmer	Total All	10	Total, All Industries	850

<https://texaslmi.com/LMIbyCategory/QCEW>

SECTION 16: Authorized Signatures and Applicant Certification

After the application and schedules are complete, an authorized representative from the school district and the business should review the application documents and complete this authorization page. Attach the completed authorization page in Tab 17. **NOTE:** If you amend your application, you will need to obtain new signatures and resubmit this page, Section 16, with the amendment request.

1. Authorized School District Representative Signature

I am the authorized representative for the school district to which this application is being submitted. I understand that this application is a government record as defined in Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code.

print here ▶ Steve Wolf
Print Name (Authorized School District Representative)

Superintendent
Title

sign here ▶ *Steve Wolf*
Signature (Authorized School District Representative)

7/10/2019
Date

2. Authorized Company Representative (Applicant) Signature and Notarization

I am the authorized representative for the business entity for the purpose of filing this application. I understand that this application is a government record as defined in Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code. The information contained in this application and schedules is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

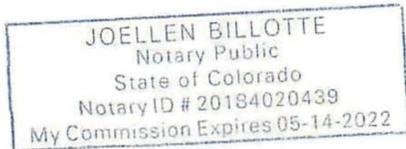
I hereby certify and affirm that the business entity I represent is in good standing under the laws of the state in which the business entity was organized and that no delinquent taxes are owed to the State of Texas.

print here ▶ James Williams
Print Name (Authorized Company Representative (Applicant))

Vice President of Development
Title

sign here ▶ *James Williams*
Signature (Authorized Company Representative (Applicant))

6/27/2019
Date



(Notary Seal)

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this, the

27 day of June, 2019

Joellen Billotte
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas CO

My Commission expires: 5-14-22

If you make a false statement on this application, you could be found guilty of a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony under Texas Penal Code Section 37.10.