



Wind Resource Summary for Fort Collins Site Final Report

Colorado Anemometer Loan Program Monitoring Period: 10/02/2006 – 11/03/2007 Report Date: January 16, 2008

Site Description:

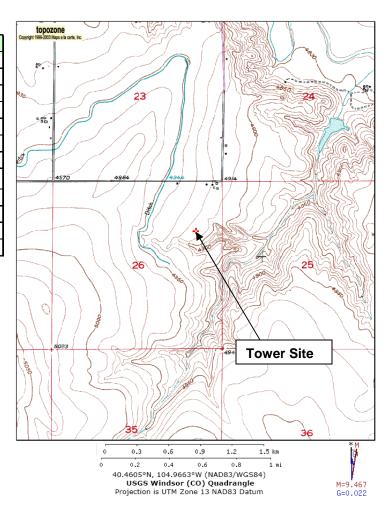
The site is located adjacent to the Highland Meadows Golf Course about 4 miles south west of the town of Windsor, Colorado. The tower was placed in a hay field about one and a half miles east of Interstate 25. The tower is located in a sheltered area downhill from a ridge on the east.

Note: Wind direction data appears to be suspect since the wind vane indicates that the wind was from the NNW direction during the entire data collection time period.

LOCATION DETAILS						
Latitude:	N 40° 27?					
Longitude:	W 104° 57?					
Township:	6 N					
Range:	68 W					
Section:	26					
Elevation (ft.):	3,842					
Tower Type:	NRG Tilt-Up					
Tower Height (ft.):	66					
Tower Height (m):	20					
Vane Offset (deg):	337					
Direction Basis:	Mag. North					
Mag. Declination:	9.467° E					

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Wind Resource Summary
All analysis performed using Windographer 1.13

Data Properties						
Data Set Starts:	10/2/2006 13:10					
Data Set Ends:	11/3/2007 10:00					
Data Set Duration:	13.1 months					
Length of Time Step:	10 minutes					
Elevation (ft.):	3,842					
Calm threshold (mph):	0					
Wind Power Coefficients						
Power Density at 50m:	94 W/m^2					
Wind Power Class:	1 (poor)					
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Power Law Exponent:	0.14					
Surface Roughness:	0.01 m					
Roughness Class:	0.78					
Roughness Description:	Rough Pasture					

Note: Air temperature was not measured during the measuring period so air density taken to be 1.094 kg/m³ throughout the period

Height above ground (m)	20
Mean wind speed (mph)	7.26
Median wind speed (mph)	6.1
Min wind speed (mph)	0
Max wind speed (mph)	42.4
Mean power density (W/m²)	64
Mean energy content (kWh/m²/yr)	562
Energy pattern factor	3.428
Weibull k	1.315
Weibull c (mph)	7.89
1-hr autocorrelation coefficient	0.747
Diurnal pattern strength	0.292
Hour of peak wind speed	18
Mean turbulence intensity	0.284
Standard deviation (mph)	5.63
Coefficient of variation (%)	77.5
Frequency of calms (%)	0.45
Actual observations	57,149
Missing observations	0
Data completeness (%)	100

Annual Average Wind Resource Statistics – Speed and Direction

	Average	Wind		Average	Wind
Hour	Wind	Power	Hour	Wind	Power
of	speed	Density	of	speed	Density
Day	mph	W/m^2	Day	mph	W/m^2
0.5	6.35	41.4	12.5	8.58	86.5
1.5	6.35	41.7	13.5	9.06	94.5
2.5	5.98	40.5	14.5	9.26	102.5
3.5	5.74	36.4	15.5	9.51	109.3
4.5	5.58	34.6	16.5	9.72	115.7
5.5	5.50	35.1	17.5	9.48	106.4
6.5	5.37	34.8	18.5	9.02	86.1
7.5	5.31	42.7	19.5	8.69	83.5
8.5	5.37	43.5	20.5	8.35	77.1
9.5	5.67	39.1	21.5	7.88	69.3
10.5	6.21	44.5	22.5	7.29	61.6
11.5	7.37	63.1	23.5	6.77	51.4

Direction		Direction	
Sector		Sector	
Midpoint	Frequency	Midpoint	Frequency
degrees	percent	degrees	percent
0	0.02	180	0
10	0	190	0
20	0	200	0.00
30	0	210	0
40	0	220	0
50	0	230	0.01
60	0	240	0
70	0	250	0.11
80	0	260	0
90	0	270	0.42
100	0	280	0
110	0.00	290	2.17
120	0	300	0
130	0	310	0
140	0	320	30.95
150	0	330	0
160	0	340	65.86
170	0	350	0





For reference, the table below provides a summary of the wind power classifications from the U.S. DOE's Colorado Wind Resource Map available at:

http://www.eere.energy.gov/windandhydro/windpoweringamerica/maps_template.asp?stateab=co

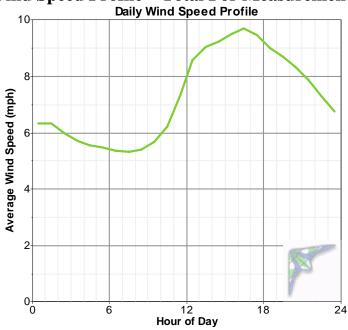
Wind Power Classification						
Wind Power Class	Resource Potential	Wind Power Density at 50 m W/m ²	Wind Speed ^a at 50 m m/s	Wind Speed ^a at 50 m mph		
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Poor Marginal Fair Good Excellent Outstanding Superb	0 - 200 200 - 300 300 - 400 400 - 500 500 - 600 600 - 800 > 800 d on a Weibull k o	0.0 - 5.9 5.9 - 6.7 6.7 - 7.4 7.4 - 7.9 7.9 - 8.4 8.4 - 9.3 > 9.3	0.0 - 13.2 13.2 - 15.0 15.0 - 16.6 16.6 - 17.7 17.7 - 18.8 18.8 - 20.8 > 20.8		

Wind Speed – Monthly Average During Measurement Period

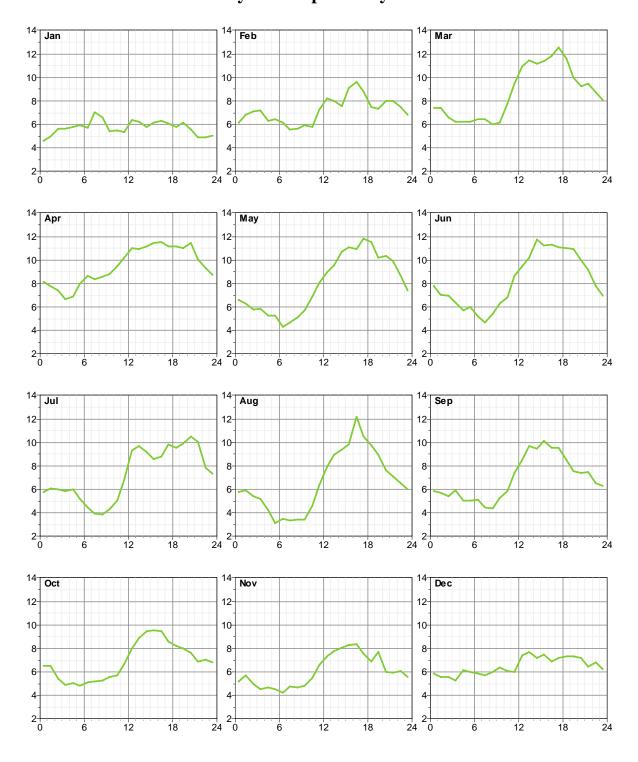


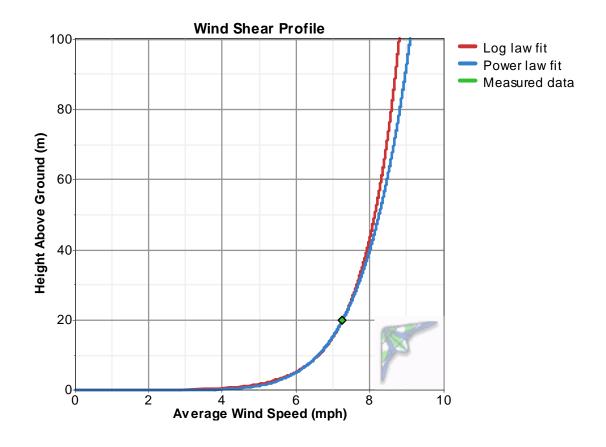
Daily Wind Speed Profile – Total For Measurement Period

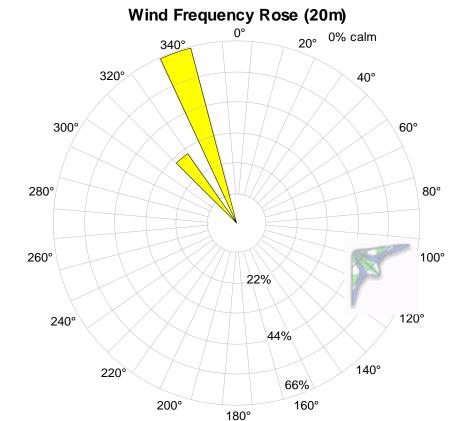
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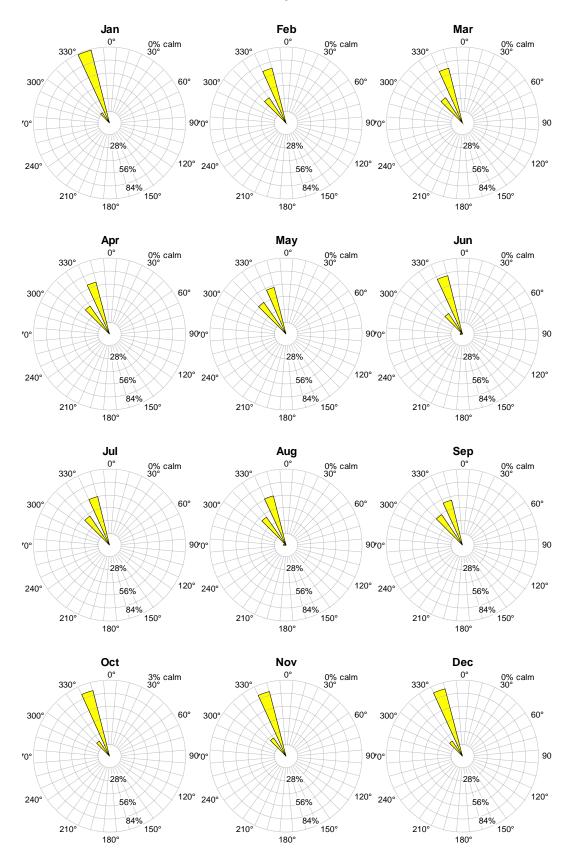
Hourly Wind Speed – By Month



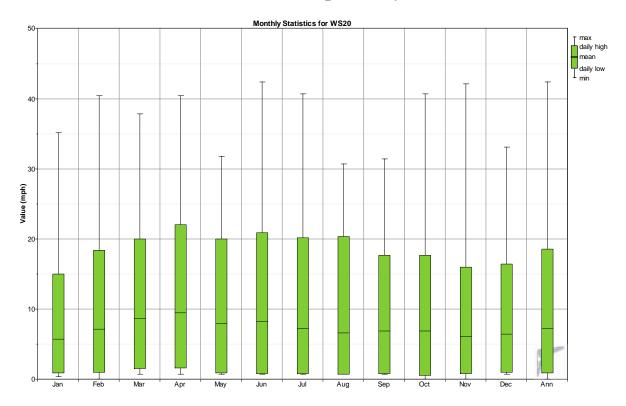




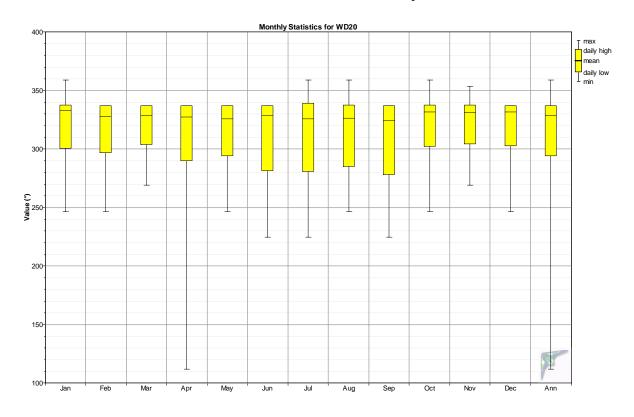
Wind Direction – By Month (All Years)



Box Plot for Wind Speed - By Month



Box Plot for Wind Direction – By Month



Estimated Wind Turbine Performance

The wind resource data from this site was compared against typical small wind turbines at 20m tower height to project the total energy production potential. The table below lists the turbines considered, the estimated turbine costs, and the expected turbine performance:

					Hub	Time	Time	Average	Average	Average
	Estimated				Height	At	At	Net	Net	Net
	Turbine	Rotor	Rotor	Hub	Wind	Zero	Rated	Power	Energy	Capacity
	Cost	Diameter	Power	Height	Speed	Output	Output	Output	Output	Factor
Turbine	(w/o tower)	meters	kW	meters	mph	percent	percent	kW	kWh/yr	%
Bergey Excel- R/120V	\$16,560	6.7	7.5	20	7.27	56.1	1.1	0.51	4,492	6.8
Bergey Excel- S/60	\$20,610	6.7	10	20	7.27	38.2	0.4	0.57	5,017	5.7
Bergey XL.1	\$2,650	2.5	1	20	7.27	20.9	1.4	0.08	712	8.1
Southwest Skystream 3.7	\$8,999	3.7	1.8	20	7.27	54.5	0.0	0.16	1,354	8.6
Southwest Whisper 500	\$6,062	4.5	3	20	7.27	56.1	1.2	0.27	2,361	9.0

Note that the costs do not include the costs for the tower or labor for installation.



These turbines are not recommended or endorsed. Landowners interested in installing a turbine are encouraged to contact a wind equipment dealer or a wind developer for design assistance and equipment recommendations.

The costs shown above were obtained from publicly available costs on the Internet. For reference, the costs for these turbines were obtained from the following vendor:

Earth Solar Group 6315 Canyon Dr. Amarillo, TX 79110 1.800.329.3283 http://www.earthsolar.com/