

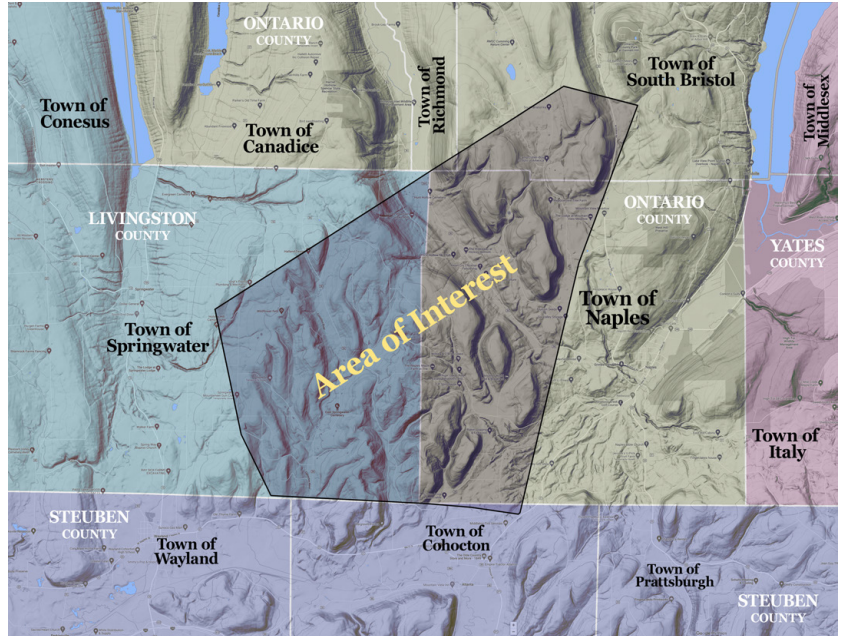


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About the Proposed Russet Ridge Wind Project in Naples & South Bristol

What is proposed?

Liberty Renewables (owned by two energy companies from Canada and Germany) is proposing 19-26 wind turbines in the Towns of Naples, South Bristol and Springwater, NY. They have presented a general “area of interest” map. At this time, we don’t know specifically where they may place them. They would be approximately 650 feet high, which is significantly taller than the existing turbines in Cohocton and Prattsburgh. The timeline they propose is to select the sites by 2025, and then to build and complete installation by 2030.



Who are we and why are we opposed?

The Naples | South Bristol Economic Preservation Coalition has been formed by a group of concerned residents to inform the public of this project, and to organize opposition to it. We are NOT against green energy! Our local economy is based on tourism and on our views and vistas. We don’t feel that Naples is the right area, and that there are better places that don’t market their natural beauty as a destination. We are concerned for our economy, our health, and our businesses. We are concerned for our wildlife and undisturbed habitat, as well as our land and home values. We are concerned with the proven effects of the sound and light flicker. We feel there will be better suited green options for our area other than 650 foot turbines on top of our hills.

What are we doing about it?

We have established a database of larger, hilltop landowners whom we are trying to reach out to. So far, most are against the idea of turbines on their property. Liberty Renewables is searching for willing landowners that they can pay a significant amount of money in exchange for 20 year contracts. The property owners around a contracted parcel will also be contacted by Liberty to sign a contract allowing the turbine on their neighbor’s property. They will also be offered money. We will reach out to all involved to try to stop the placement of turbines on our hills, and make it difficult for the wind company to operate hoping they will go somewhere that doesn’t have the organized opposition that we do. We are raising funds to get the word out to residents that are unaware of this potential threat to our area. Our first mailing is complete at a cost of \$1300, and we anticipate continued mailings.

What can YOU do to help?

- Join our email list to stay informed. Contact us at saynototurbines@nsbepc.org. Mail us at PO Box 483, Naples, NY 14512.
- Write opposition letters to our State and Federal representatives, as well as directly to Liberty Renewables themselves.
- Join our Naples | South Bristol Economic Preservation Coalition facebook group at facebook.com/groups/nsbepc for news, discussions, resources, and updates, as well as useful files and graphics.
- Check our website often at NSBEP.org for letter templates, maps, a constantly growing collection of sources and information, and ways you can help our mission.
- Follow us on YouTube for informative video playlists at youtube.com/@nsbepc.
- **PLEASE DO NOT SIGN CONTRACTS!**