

Tax Payments and Local Benefits

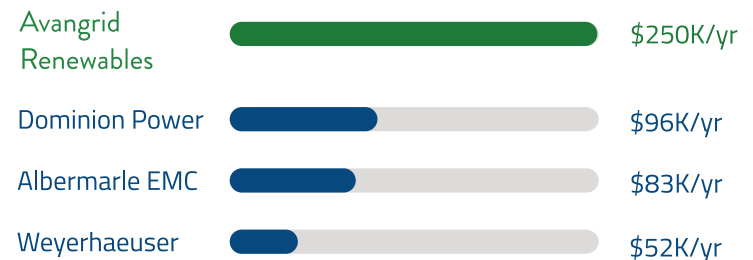
The wind is a powerful resource that provides a clean and renewable source of energy. But wind energy also brings significant resources to communities where they're commissioned. In North Carolina, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties are already reaping the economic benefit of wind energy.

Energy providers are typically some of the largest taxpayers in rural counties. **These tax payments can fund local schools, hospitals, police, and fire departments.** In Perquimans County, Avangrid Renewables will pay nearly 3 times more in taxes to the county than the second largest tax payer, Dominion Power.

Pasquotank County Largest Tax Payers:



Perquimans County Largest Tax Payers:



Landowner Payments

Farmers and landowners love wind farms due to the steady, predictable, and reliable income they bring - income that is not dependent on weather.

While the median household income in Pasquotank and Perquimans counties is \$46,053 and \$43,709 respectively, **a landowner with only 2 turbines would increase their income by over 20% annually.**

\$6,000
per turbine per year

x104=
turbines

\$624,000
total landowner payments

These facts and figures are based on public statements and specific to the Amazon Wind Farm US East project, but in line with national averages.

County Services

Wind energy facilities require minimal public infrastructure investments. Most large projects, including new manufacturing facilities, require enhanced water, sewer, and additional public service hires. That is not the case with the Amazon Wind Farm US East.

In fact, Avangrid Renewables will be responsible for road maintenance and will improve over 60 miles of road - at no additional cost to taxpayers.

Jobs

As with any large scale project, wind energy provides a boon to local economies with the addition of new, high paying jobs.

The Amazon Wind Farm US East peaked at more than 500 workers during construction, employed more than 30 North Carolina-based companies, spent \$18 million to date locally on construction, and will have 17 full time operations and maintenance positions. **Avangrid Renewable pays an average annual salary of \$80,000 for these full time operations and maintenance positions.**



Facts and figures are specific to the Amazon Wind Farm US East project, but in line with national averages.

Tourism

Wind farms are a marvel of modern engineering. Many in the Southeast have yet to see a towering turbine. **Along with clean and renewable energy, wind farms can bring residual benefit to local, rural economies through tourism.** Wind farms have proven to be popular local attractions in other states. The intrigue of these turbines could pique the interest of North Carolinians.

In Michigan, local chambers have setup wind turbine tours, while a wind farm in Atlantic City gives tours to over 15,000 tourists annually.

PROUDLY MADE IN

NORTH CAROLINA

Construction of a wind energy facility requires large quantities of concrete, aggregate and other materials, much of which is purchased from local businesses.

With hundreds of workers over the span of 18 months, there will be hotel rooms, meals, and other services required from local businesses.

THE AMAZON WIND FARM US EAST IS UTILIZING the following businesses from North Carolina

Phillips and Jordan, Inc. ▪ Vulcan Materials Company ▪ Barnhill Contracting ▪ McKIM & CREED
Scott's Hardware ▪ Siboney Contracting ▪ Bass Services and Rentals ▪ Southeastern Fuels ▪ GETSco ▪ Tanglewood Apartments
Hampton Inn ▪ Travelers Inn ▪ Montero's Restaurant ▪ Bowman Consulting ▪ ISCO ▪ Action Mobile