# Appendix C

# **Bird Report & Acadia Radar Study**

**Appendix C1** 

**Bird Report** 



APPENDIX C1 BIRD REPORT OSTRANDER POINT WIND ENERGY PARK



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# 1.0 Introduction

## 1.1 **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

Gilead Power Corporation is proposing a 20MW wind power facility in southeastern Prince Edward County. The Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park will consist of twelve 1.65 MW turbines located on Crown land along the Lake Ontario shoreline (**Figure 1, Attachment A**).

As part of the Ontario Ministry of the Environment's ("MOE") Environmental Screening Process ("ESP") for electricity projects (i.e., Ontario Regulation 116/01), Stantec Consulting Ltd. ("Stantec") undertook avian studies in the April, May and June, 2008. Stantec's avian studies were completed in conjunction with a radar study completed by Acadia University which is discussed in **Appendix C2**.

## 1.2 BACKGROUND

#### 1.2.1 Wind Facilities and Birds

Observed effects of wind plants on birds are either:

- direct, as in the case of mortality arising from collisions with wind turbines
- indirect, as in the case of habitat alteration and fragmentation for turbine pads and access roads, or disturbance of habitat through changes in existing activity levels or land-use.

The actual avian mortality depends on a number of site-specific factors, including bird densities and the types of species and habitats present, as well as design features that may either individually, or in combination with each other, influence avian mortality rates. These factors include:

- topography
- scale of the facility
- tower dimension and design
- turbine lighting
- blade speed
- transmission line design and location
- facility configuration.

A large number of studies have been undertaken to address concerns related to avian mortality. Although these studies used varied approaches to accounting for sources of bias, the findings indicate that overall, bird deaths due to wind turbines are low, especially when compared to other anthropogenic structures (Arnett et al., 2007; Kingsley and Whittam, 2007; National Academy of Sciences, 2007). In a review of avian fatality rates from 14 facilities across North

America with modern turbines, where recent standardized mortality monitoring was conducted using a systematic survey process for a minimum of one year and incorporating scavenging and searcher efficiency bias corrections, Arnett et al. (2007) indicated annual mortality rates ranged from 0.63 to 7.7 birds per turbine. The National Audubon Society also believes that bird mortality as a result of wind turbines is a very small fraction of all anthropogenically-induced mortality, and is much less than mortality as a result of other means of electricity generation that contribute to global warming (Levesque, 2006).

An Ontario study of the Canadian National Exhibition turbine in Toronto, proximal to the waterfront, determined that total annual mortality was unlikely to exceed three birds (corrected for predator removal) (James and Coady, 2003). This study concluded that local birds appeared to have adapted to the presence of the turbine and avoided it, and that the mortality rate at the turbine was "absolutely insignificant" when compared to mortality from other causes.

The magnitude of indirect effects varies according to the habitat type and bird species. Little quantitative information exists regarding bird disturbance or avoidance during the winter, during the breeding season or during migration due to wind turbines. In one Minnesota study designed to determine the relative influence of wind turbines on overall densities of upland nesting birds, Leddy et al. (1999) noted that grassland birds nested in lower densities within 80 m of wind turbines. However Kingsley and Whittam (2007) noted that some grassland bird species, including Horned Larks, continued to forage underneath turbines.

## 1.2.2 Birds in the Study Area

The Prince Edward County South Shore Important Bird Area (IBA) encompasses the southeastern peninsula of Prince Edward County, including the Study Area (**Figure 2**, **Attachment A**) (IBA Canada, undated; Wilson and Cheskey, 2001). The goal of the IBA program is to identify and conserve a worldwide network of site necessary to ensure the long-term viability of naturally occurring bird populations. BirdLife International, in cooperation with Bird Studies Canada and Nature Canada, identifies IBAs. The Prince Edward County South Shore IBA is also referred to as the Prince Edward Point IBA (IBA Canada, undated) and is reported variously to encompass approximately 91 km<sup>2</sup> (26 km<sup>2</sup> of land and 65 km<sup>2</sup> of nearshore waters; Wilson and Cheskey, 2001) or 371 km<sup>2</sup> (IBA Canada, undated). For the purposes of this report, it will be referred to as the Prince Edward County South Shore IBA. The Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory and National Wildlife Area are located within the IBA at the tip of the Prince Edward Point peninsula, and the Point Petre Provincial Wildlife Area is located at the western end of the IBA (**Figure 2, Attachment A**).

There were several factors contributing to the IBA designation (IBA Canada, undated, **Attachment C**). It has been designated as globally significant under the congregatory species category for wintering waterfowl, migratory raptors, and migratory landbirds (Wilson and Cheskey, 2001). The off-shore portions of the IBA support globally significant concentrations of waterfowl and nationally significant concentrations of waterbirds and seabirds. The IBA summary (**Attachment C**) notes that the most important waterfowl staging and wintering areas

for Greater Scaup, Long-tailed Ducks and White-winged Scoter are the shoals and deep waters off the tip of the Prince Edward Point peninsula. The IBA is a globally significant concentration area for landbirds during both the spring and fall migration periods. Species such as Tree Swallow, Blue Jay, Black-capped Chickadee, Golden-crowned Kinglet, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Yellow-rumped Warbler, Dark-eyed Junco and White-throated Sparrow can be observed in large numbers within the IBA during migration.

During the fall migration, large numbers of raptors move up the point including Sharp-shinned Hawks, Red-shouldered Hawks and Red-tailed Hawks. Prince Edward Point has also been recognized as a major concentration area for fall migrating Northern Saw-whet Owls (Wilson and Cheskey, 2001). Weir et al. (1980) hypothesized that most of the Northern Saw-whet Owls arrive at Prince Edward Point via a land route from the mainland moving eastward down the peninsula. They also hypothesized that most owls do not cross Lake Ontario, but instead backtrack westward upon reaching the point. However, the exact route by which Northern Saw-whet Owls arrive and leave Prince Edward Point remains unconfirmed.

Wilson and Cheskey (2001) also indicate that the IBA has been designated for national significance in the threatened species category, however, the IBA summary (**Attachment C**) does not include mention of this designation. The Conservation Plan for the IBA indicates that monitoring is required to confirm breeding or establish numbers for Least Bittern, Black Tern, Loggerhead Shrike and Henslow's Sparrow to determine if the numbers meet IBA criteria; the reported presence of one King Rail apparently meets the criteria for nationally significant (Wilson and Cheskey, 2001). With the exception of Henslow's Sparrow, all of these species were recorded within the IBA during recent breeding bird atlas efforts (Cadman et al., 2007). During the atlas, Least Bittern, Black Tern and King Rail were recorded in the 10 x 10 km square that includes the Ostrander Point Study Area (Cadman et al., 2007).

Habitat within the Study Area consists of shrubland with open woodlands, providing breeding habitat for species indicative of thickets and open woodlands. Habitat for species that require large tracts of grassland or continuous forest is not present. There are no elevated topographical features such as ridges in the study area.

## 1.2.3 Site Sensitivity and Level of Concern

Environment Canada's "Wind Turbines and Birds: A Guidance Document for Environmental Assessment" (Environment Canada, 2007a) provides guidance for determining site sensitivity from the perspective of bird use.

The Ostrander Point site has a very high site sensitivity, due to its location within the Prince Edward County South Shore IBA, proximity to the Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory and National Wildlife Area, and proximity to the Lake Ontario shoreline (**Figure 2, Attachment A)**. There is the potential to fragment a large shrubland.

All sites with very high site sensitivity area ranked as Category 4 projects, regardless of the size of the proposed facility. Projects in this category present a relatively high potential risk to birds, and consequently require the highest level of bird-related effort for the environmental assessment (Environment Canada, 2007a).

Specific bird issues of concern to Environment Canada, identified in March 4 and March 17, 2008 correspondence, include the following:

- Function of Prince Edward Point as an important landfall site for migratory landbirds;
- Potential presence of wintering raptors and grassland birds;
- Potential presence of Species at Risk and Bird Conservation Region (BCR) 13 priority species; and,
- Importance of the site for migratory Saw-whet Owls, fall raptor migration, migratory waterfowl movement.

# 2.0 Methods

## 2.1 BACKGROUND DATA REVIEW

The following data sources were reviewed to obtain information regarding birds in the Study Area:

- IBA Site Summary and Conservation Plan (IBA Canada, undated; Wilson and Cheskey, 2001);
- Ministry of Natural Resources and Natural Heritage Information Centre ("NHIC") database
- Atlas of the Breeding Birds of Ontario (Cadman, 2007)
- Breeding Waterfowl Survey Plots 2005-2008 (Canadian Wildlife Service, unpublished)

# 2.2 FIELD SURVEYS

Given background information, an analysis of bird risk factors and the Category 4 ranking of the Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park, a comprehensive pre-construction monitoring program was conducted. The proposed work program was circulated to Environment Canada and the Ministry of Natural Resources on May 8, 2008 and approved by Environment Canada on June 5, 2008. Bird studies were completed by Jacques Whitford Limited ("Jacques Whitford", unpublished), Acadia University ("Acadia") and Stantec, and included:

- Winter Raptor surveys (Jacques Whitford, February and March, 2008);
- Spring Waterfowl surveys (Stantec, April and May, 2008);
- Spring Passerine monitoring Radar and area searches (Acadia, May and June, 2008);
- Breeding American Woodcock and Wilson's Snipe surveys (Stantec, April and May, 2008);
- Breeding Bird surveys (Stantec, June, 2008);
- Fall Passerine monitoring Radar and area searches (Acadia, August October, 2008)
- Fall Raptor surveys (Jacques Whitford, August November, 2006)

Survey dates, times and weather conditions are summarized in **Table 2.1**. Methods, results and conclusions from Acadia's spring and fall migration area searches are presented in this report. Detailed methods and findings of the Acadia's radar study area provided in **Appendix C2**. Methods of all surveys were generally consistent with the recommendations of

Environment Canada (2007a, 2007b). Detailed descriptions of each survey are provided in the following sections.

#### 2.2.1 Winter Raptors

Three winter raptor surveys were completed by Jacques Whitford (unpublished) on February 4, 20 and March 4, 2008. As there is no regular winter maintenance on most roads surrounding the study area, walking transects were established on existing roads. The transects provided vantage points of all major habitat types within the Study Area. The starting location for each transect alternated throughout the three surveys so that different areas of the site were covered at different times of the day. During the surveys, particular emphasis was placed on locating and recording raptor species, however all birds observed were recorded. The behavior (i.e. flying or at rest) and the height of observed birds were recorded. Height was recorded at three different regimes, 0-40 m, 40-100 m and over 100 m high (Jacques Whitford, unpublished).

## 2.2.2 Spring Waterfowl

Six weekly spring waterfowl surveys were completed by Stantec between April 1 and May 7, 2008. Survey dates, times and weather conditions are summarized in **Table 2.1**. The surveys consisted of early morning and dusk counts focused on movement over the Study Area between foraging areas and offshore roosting areas. Daytime surveys were also conducted to count numbers of waterfowl foraging inland, within the Study Area.

During each dawn and dusk survey, two observers were stationed at separate locations with good vantage points, one near the lakeshore at Ostrander Point and the other locally centrally within the Study Area. Movement of waterfowl was mapped and the altitude, direction and flight path were recorded along with the size of the flock. Observations of other flocks (e.g., groups of gulls, crows, or blackbirds), raptors and other species at each point count location were also noted.

During each dawn and dusk survey a spotting scope was used to scan the lake off Ostrander Point. Species and numbers of waterfowl were recorded. As with most waterfowl use data, the data is presented in the form of "waterfowl days", calculated as in Dennis and Chandler (1974) as cited by Ross (1989). This analysis involves averaging results for each successive pair of surveys, multiplying the results by the number of days separating each pair, and summing over the migration period.

Daytime surveys for inland foraging or staging waterfowl consisted of two experienced surveyors driving internal roads and major roads surrounding the Study Area at slow speeds (i.e. 20-30 km/h). Fields were scanned using binoculars. Information on species, numbers, location and activity for all waterfowl observations was recorded and mapped. Observations of other bird and wildlife species were also recorded.

#### 2.2.3 Spring Migration

Daily spring migrant area searches were completed by Acadia between May 2 and June2, 2008. Early morning area searches were conducted daily starting 0.5 hours after sunrise and continuing for approximately 2 hours. The same route was walked each day and is shown in **Figure 3, Attachment A**. Species and number of birds observed along the route was recorded.

#### 2.2.4 Breeding Birds

#### 2.2.4.1 Point Counts

Two rounds of surveys for breeding birds were conducted by Stantec, on June 11, 12, 25 and 26, 2008. Surveys were comprised of point counts and were augmented by area searches through the Study Area. Surveys began at, or within, half an hour of sunrise and were completed by 10:00 a.m. Weather conditions (i.e., precipitation and visibility) were within the parameters required by monitoring programs such as Environment Canada's Breeding Bird Survey or the Ontario Forest Bird Monitoring Program, and are provided in **Table 2.1** (**Attachment B**).

Environment Canada's recommended protocols (2007b) suggest that 20 point counts in each habitat type would normally be required for projects of more than 10 turbines. However, the guidelines also note that the number of sampling stations may be reduced if, as in the case with the Ostrander Point Study Area, there is insufficient space to place this number once minimum spacing requirements are taken into account (**Figure 3, Attachment A**). A total of 19 point counts were conducted, and were distributed throughout the Study Area to characterize the relative abundance of species breeding on site (**Figure 3, Attachment A**). Habitat within the Study Area was relatively uniform with the majority (14) of point counts conducted in shrublands. However, to ensure coverage of each type of habitat, three point counts were placed in the best examples of open woodland habitat and two point counts in the best examples of wetland habitat (one in swamp and one in marsh).

Point counts were conducted in compliance with Environment Canada's "Recommended Protocols for Monitoring Impacts on Wind Turbines on Birds" (Environment Canada, 2007b). Ten minute point counts were conducted at each station. Bird observations were recorded at four distance regimes, within a 50 m radius, 50 to 100 m, outside the 100 m radius, or flyovers. For each point count, a record was made of the start time and a hand held GPS unit was used to georeference its location. A brief description of the habitat was made for each point count.

The heights of birds within the 100 m radius were recorded. Four height regimes were used, on ground or below blade sweep (0 to 35 m), at blade sweep (35 to 125 m), above blade sweep (125 to 150 m), and well above blade sweep (over 150 m).

To standardize the data, densities per 10 ha were calculated for each point count.

## 2.2.4.2 American Woodcock and Wilson's Snipe

Four weekly singing-ground surveys for American Woodcock and Wilson's Snipe were conducted between mid-April to mid-May, and were conducted according to the North American Woodcock Singing Ground Survey guidelines (Kelley et al, 2007). Survey dates, times and weather conditions are summarized in **Table 2.1**. Surveys were comprised of two minute point counts at 16 monitoring stations. Monitoring stations were spaced at intervals of approximately 400 m. Birds that were visually observed or heard were recorded as either within 100 m or farther than 100 m from the observer. For birds that could be visually observed, their height was recorded. Surveys began at or just after sunset to ensure the peak activity period for calling woodcock was captured. The locations of stations are shown on **Figure 3**, **Attachment A**.

For each point count, a record was made of the start time and a hand held GPS unit was used to georeference its location. A brief description of the habitat was made for each point count.

To standardize the data with other breeding bird results, densities per 10 ha were calculated for each point count. The average density for each species also calculated.

## 2.2.4.3 Breeding Henslow's Sparrow Surveys

Historical records of breeding Henslow's Sparrow have been made in the vicinity of the study area, within the Prince Edward County South Shore IBA. Playback surveys, which target Henslow's Sparrow, were conducted on June 10 and 24, 2008 to determine its presence within the Study Area. Prior to conducting the Henslow's Sparrow breeding surveys, a field investigation was undertaken to identify areas within the study area that may provide suitable breeding habitat for Henslow's Sparrow.

The Henslow's Sparrow is a species of open habitats, consisting of weedy fields and meadows, preferably moist, with a mixture of grasses, forbs and scattered shrubs (Herkert et al., 2002). Factors that affect the quality of breeding habitat for Henslow's Sparrows include litter density and depth, standing dead residual vegetation, forb and woody-stem densities and size. In general, the species prefers large areas of tall, dense grass with a well-developed litter layer and standing dead forb vegetation for singing perches. Sparse to no woody vegetation is important. They have also been known to have a preference for flatter portions of fields. Henslow's Sparrows are area sensitive, generally requiring 50 ha or more of suitable nesting habitat (Herkert, 1991). With the decline of naturally-occurring habitat of Henslow's Sparrows, the species has been known to move into alternative habitats, in particular cultivated hayfields. However, frequently cut hay fields often do not provide the dense litter layer or dead standing forbs that are required by Henslow's Sparrow.

No patches of prime potential habitat were identified. Three relatively open areas of marginally suitable habitat were identified (**Figure 3, Attachment A**). Four playback stations were established, two in the larger patch and one in each of the smaller patches.

Henslow's Sparrow sings throughout the day, with higher activity levels before dawn and after dusk. Singing after dusk appears to be particularly active and occasionally individuals may sing all night long (Herkert et al., 2002). Therefore, surveys were conducted after dusk to take advantage of this period of increased activity. The Henslow's Sparrow breeding surveys employed tape playback recording to help detect the sparrows. A Henslow's Sparrow song was broadcast from a MP3 recording, followed by a period of silence to listen for a response. This was repeated several times at each station for a six-minute period. Two rounds of Henslow's Sparrow surveys were conducted in June.

#### 2.2.5 Fall Migration

Daily fall migrant surveys were conducted by Acadia between August 12 and October 28, 2008. The study was conducted using the same methodology as the spring migrant study. Early morning area searches were conducted daily starting 0.5 hours after sunrise and continuing for approximately 1 hour. The same route was walked each day (**Figure 3, Attachment A**). Species and number of birds observed along the route were recorded. Acadia planned to collect diurnal radar data on days where significant raptor migration was observed in the field, however, only one day with significant raptor movement was identified.

A fall raptor study was completed by Jacques Whitford (unpublished) on 12 days between the end of August and the end of November, 2006. Survey dates, times and weather conditions are summarized in **Table 2.1**. The surveys consisted of a single point count (**Figure 3, Attachment A**) starting approximately 11:00 am and running for 1 to 3 hours. A skilled observer recorded observations of diurnal migrants with particular emphasis on raptor migration. The direction, height and behavior of all raptors were recorded. Height was recorded at three different regimes, 0-40 m, 40-100 m and over 100 m high (Jacques Whitford, unpublished).

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# 3.0 Results

# 3.1 HABITAT

A description of the designated features and vegetation types in the Study Area is provided in **Appendix A** of the ERR (Environmental Setting). The majority of the Study Area is comprised of shrubland habitat; generally scattered juniper (*Juniperus communis*) shrubs or occasionally denser stands of juniper over a ground cover of grasses. Scattered bur oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*), shagbark hickory (*Carya ovata* var. *ovata*) and red ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*) occur throughout the study area. Bur oak and red ash become denser in some wetter areas creating open woodland habitat (approx. 30% tree cover). The open woodlands were typically associated with thickets of dogwoods (*Cornus* sp.), American prickly-ash (*Zanthoxylum americanum*) and ninebark (*Physocarpus opulifolius*).

In a few areas, where shrub cover was much reduced, open grassland habitat occurs. Grassland habitat was comprised of shorter grasses such as Canada bluegrass (*Poa compressa*), poverty oat grass (*Danthonia spicata*) and tufted hairgrass (*Deschampsia cespitosa* ssp. *cespitosa*).

Two permanent wetlands, where surface water persists year round, occurred within the Study Area (**Appendix A** of the ERR [Environmental Setting]). A red ash swamp occurred along the eastern boundary of the Study Area. The canopy was relatively open with patches of dense thicket understorey. The second permanent wetland consists of an open marsh located along the shoreline. The open marsh was comprised mostly of broad-leaved sedges, with patches of open water.

# 3.2 WINTER RAPTORS

No raptors were observed during the three winter raptor surveys. However, 16 other bird species were observed (**Table 3.1, Attachment B**). Six species of waterfowl and 2 gull species were observed in/over Lake Ontario. Long-tailed Ducks were the most common waterfowl species with a maximum number of 350 observed on February 4, 2008. Other waterfowl and gulls observed, with maximum number in parentheses, include Redhead (53), Greater Scaup (55), Bufflehead (31), Common Goldeneye (135), Tundra Swan (2), Ring-billed Gull (1), Herring Gull (1) and unknown gull species (2).

The most common species observed on land, within the study area, was the Bohemian Waxwing, with a one day maximum of 395 observed on March 4, 2008. Other species observed in relatively high numbers included, with maximum numbers observed in parentheses, European Starling (20), Black-capped Chickadee (14) and Pine Grosbeak (4).

With one exception, all birds were observed below the height of turbine blade sweep. One large flock of 125 Bohemian Waxwings (31% of total Bohemian Waxwing observations) was observed at a height of 40-100 m, within the turbine blade sweep area.

# 3.3 SPRING WATERFOWL

Results of the six daytime driving surveys indicated the presence of very few, if any, foraging waterfowl within and adjacent to the Study Area. Survey totals ranged from no waterfowl to a single pair of either Canada Geese or Mallards. The pair of Canada Geese, observed May 6, 2008 in the deciduous swamp along Ostrander Point Road, and the pair of Mallards, observed from April 16 to May 6, 2008 on flooded roadways, were likely breeders. Overall it appears that the thickets and grasslands of the Study Area did not provide attractive foraging habitat for staging waterfowl.

Similarly, few waterfowl were observed during the dawn and dusk movement surveys.,The results of these survyes are summarized in **Tables 3.2 and 3.3**, **Attachment B**. A total of 48 waterfowl was observed during the 6 dawn surveys, and a total of 17 waterfowl during the 6 dusk surveys. All waterfowl observed flying over the Study Area were either Canada Geese or large dabblers. Common Loon, Double-crested Cormorant and Sandhill Crane were also observed. No distinct routes or flight paths of waterfowl movement were identified, possible due to the very small number of waterfowl observed. Approximately 58% of the waterfowl observed flying over the Study Area were pheight; the remainder were observed below turbine blade sweep height (**Tables 3.2 and 3.3**, **Attachment B**).

The waterfowl observed off Ostrander Point were grouped into seven guilds, which included a total of eleven species. The "Geese" guild consisted of Canada Goose, the "Large Dabbler" guild of American Black Ducks, and the "Bay Duck" guild of Greater Scaup. Long-tailed Duck and White-winged Scooter made up the "Sea Duck" guild. The "Goldeneye" guild was comprised of mostly Common Goldeneye with few Bufflehead. Three merganser species were observed; Red-breasted Mergansers were by far the most common with fewer Common Merganser and Hooded Merganser. A single Common Loon was also observed.

The results were then summarized in "waterfowl day' values, which represent the number of ducks in each guild multiplied by the number of days they were seen during the survey period. **Table 3.4, Attachment B** summarized the "waterfowl day" values. Common Goldeneye was by far the most abundant species observed off Ostrander Point, with almost 7 times the waterfowl days as the next most common guild, Mergansers. Geese, Bay Ducks and Sea Ducks were relatively common, with few Dabblers observed.

# 3.4 SPRING MIGRANTS

**Attachment D** provides a detailed list of species recorded by date during each of Acadia survey. A total of 103 species were observed during the spring migration of 2008. The following sections discuss the most significant species or numbers of individuals that were observed over the 32 survey days.

One species at risk was recorded, the Golden-winged Warbler, which is federally a threatened species and provincially a species of Special Concern. It is discussed further in **Section 3.8.** 

#### Waterbirds

Double-crested Cormorants were abundant with a total of 347 individuals observed, many of which were seen flying over the site. Twenty-two Great Blue Herons were observed during the spring migration field surveys, with up to four observed in one morning. American Bittern, Sandhill Crane and Black-crowned Night Heron were also observed but in much lower numbers: six, four and one individual respectively.

#### Waterfowl

Waterfowl species observed during Acadia's early morning surveys include Canada Goose, Wood Duck, Mallard, Bufflehead, Common Merganser and Red-breasted Merganser. Results of surveys targeted to spring staging and migrating waterfowl are presented in **Section 3.3**.

#### Shorebirds

Shorebirds observed during the spring migration field surveys include the Wilson's Snipe and Killdeer. As both these species are early breeders, it is likely that many of the individuals observed were breeding on site. Breeding Wilson's Snipe is discussed further in **Section 3.5.2**.

#### **Raptors and Vultures**

Northern Harriers were the most common raptor observed during the spring migration field surveys. In total, 23 Northern Harrier observations were made, typically one to two a day but occasionally as many as 4. A breeding pair of Northern Harriers was observed in the Study Area in 2008 (discussed further in **Section 3.5**). It is likely that many of the individual observations were of the breeding pair. Other raptors and vultures observed on site included Sharp-shinned Hawk, Cooper's Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk, American Kestrel and Turkey Vulture. These species were observed in lower numbers with overall totals of one to seven individuals and no more than two individuals from any species observed in a single day.

#### **Neotropical Migrants**

Relatively small numbers of vireos (4 species totaling 25 individuals) and thrushes (3 species totaling 14 individuals) were observed through the spring migration study period. Some species of flycatcher were more abundant, including Alder Flycatcher (81), Willow Flycatcher (24) and Eastern Kingbird (167). In total, sixteen species of warblers were observed in the Study Area. Of these, Yellow Warbler was by far the most abundant, with an overall total of 1413 and as many as 84 in one day. Other relatively common warblers included the Common Yellowthroat (404), Ovenbird (40) and Yellow-rumped Warbler (38). Another common spring migrant was the Rose-breasted Grosbeak (49).

#### Other birds

Other species that occurred in larger numbers during the spring migration period include Brownheaded Cowbird (688), Cedar Waxwing (556), Blue Jay (382), American Robin (288), American Goldfinch (198), Brown Thrasher (194) and Mourning Dove (111).

Some sparrow species were common as well. The Song Sparrow was particularly abundant with an overall total of 1156 and up to 65 individuals observed in one day. Other sparrow and junco species included (with overall totals in parentheses) Chipping Sparrow (524), Field Sparrow (516), Eastern Towhee (165), Clay-colored Sparrow (157), Savannah Sparrow (125), White-throated Sparrow (81), White-crowned Sparrow (61) and Dark-eyed Junco (1).

#### 3.5 BREEDING BIRDS

**Attachment E** provides a complete list of breeding bird species observed during Stantec's 2008 field surveys. A total of 56 species were observed during the breeding bird surveys, 48 of which were likely to be breeding within the Study Area.

All of the species identified are ranked S5 (i.e., secure - common and widespread and abundant in Ontario), S4 (i.e., apparently secure – uncommon but not rare), or SE (i.e., exotic and not a native component of Ontario's fauna), except for the Caspian Tern, which is ranked S3 (vulnerable in Ontario). The Caspian Tern was observed flying over the Study Area, along the lakeshore, but was not breeding on site.

No federally or provincially endangered, threatened or species of special concern were observed during the breeding season.

Priority species identified by Ontario Partners in Flight ("PIF", 2006) that were recorded breeding in the Study Area include grassland/agricultural species (Northern Harrier, Eastern Kingbird, Field Sparrow, Savannah Sparrow, Grasshopper Sparrow, and Eastern Meadowlark), shrub/successional species (Black-billed Cuckoo, Whip-poor-will, Willow Flycatcher, Brown Thrasher and Eastern Towhee), forest species (Northern Flicker, Wood Thrush and Baltimore Oriole).

Woodland area-sensitive species present included Ruffed Grouse, Whip-poor-will and Scarlet Tanager. The Ruffed Grouse and Scarlet Tanager prefer to nest in woodland patches over 20 ha in size. The Whip-poor-will prefers open woodland habitat over 100 ha in size.

One open habitat area-sensitive species was observed, the Northern Harrier, which prefers open habitats over 55 ha in size.

#### 3.5.1 Point Counts

#### 3.5.1.1 Species Densities

Thirty-seven species were observed on point counts within the Study Area. As the habitat within the Study Area was relatively homogeneous, all 19 point counts were pooled. **Table 3.5**, **Attachment B** summarizes the densities of all species observed on point counts. Eight species had densities of more than 2 pairs/10 ha in the Study Area, all of which are species typically associated with thicket or open woodland habitat. Song Sparrow had the highest density with 7.7 pairs/10 ha, while Yellow Warblers averaged 5.3 pairs/10 ha. Other species over 2 pairs/10 ha include Clay-colored Sparrow (2.7 pairs/10 ha), Brown Thrasher (2.5 pairs/10 ha), American Robin (2.5 pairs/10 ha), Alder Flycatcher (2.3 pairs/10 ha) and Eastern Towhee (2.2 pairs/10 ha).

Three species typically associated with woodland habitat were observed. Wood Thrush was observed at Point Count 4 at the northern boundary of the site, adjacent to an off-site mixed forest (**Figure 3, Attachment A**). A Black-and-white Warbler was observed in a narrow treed area that occurs along the shoreline. A Scarlet Tanager was observed in the deciduous treed / thicket swamp community in the southeastern portion of the Study Area.

Two species that are typically restricted to wetlands were also observed breeding on site. The Marsh Wren was recorded at Point Count 10, situated at an open marsh community (**Figure 3, Attachment A**). The Swamp Sparrow was observed at Point Count 10 as well as Point Count 3, the deciduous treed / thicket swamp in the southeastern portion of the Study Area.

#### 3.5.1.2 Height Observations

Attachment F provides a summary of the height observation from point counts (i.e., on ground or below blade sweep [0 to 35 m], at blade sweep [35 to 125 m], above blade sweep [125 to 150 m], and well above blade sweep [over 150 m]).

All individuals of the majority of species were observed below the blade sweep of wind turbines. The exceptions were 25% of Ring-billed Gulls and 100% of Canada Geese and Killdeer that were observed at blade sweep height.

#### 3.5.2 American Woodcock and Wilson's Snipe

Numbers of American Woodcock were relatively uniform throughout the Study Area, with observations of this species at every station. Wilson's Snipe were absent from two of the drier point count stations (Stations 11 and 12 in the northwestern corner of the Study Area, **Figure 3**, **Attachment A**) but were uniformly abundant across the other stations. Both species were estimated to be breeding in relatively high densities within the Study Area, specifically 7.0 breeding pairs of American Woodcock per 10 ha, and 4.8 breeding pairs of Wilson's Snipe per

10 ha. The maximum number of breeding pairs of each species over the 4 surveys at each monitoring station is presented in **Table 3.6, Attachment B**.

When visual observation of the woodcocks or snipes were possible, their height was estimated. Ten (100%) of 10 American Woodcocks displayed at blade sweep height, with estimated heights ranging from 30-50 m. Seven (78%) of 9 Wilson's Snipes were observed at blade sweep height, with estimated heights ranging from 25-60 m.

Whip-poor-wills were detected during these surveys. This species was likely breeding on site, with single males calling at 2 stations. Given the distance the call of this species carries and the proximity of the monitoring stations (approximately 400m), it is likely that every Whip-poor-will calling on site would have been detected during the singing-ground surveys. It is therefore concluded that no more than two pairs were breeding in the Study Area during the 2008 season. Unlike woodcock and snipe, Whip-poor-wills do not conduct aerial displays and were likely calling from a perch on the ground or low branch.

## 3.5.3 Henslow's Sparrow Surveys

An assessment of the Study Area for potential Henslow's Sparrow breeding habitat was completed. In general, Henslow's Sparrow prefers large areas of tall, dense grass with a well-developed litter layer and standing dead forb vegetation for singing perches. Sparse to no woody vegetation is important. They have also been known to have a preference for flatter portions of fields. Henslow's Sparrows are area sensitive, generally requiring 50 ha or more of suitable nesting habitat (Herkert, 1991).

Due to the prevalence of shrub and thickety vegetation, most of the Study Area would not be suitable for Henslow's Sparrow. However, three more open areas were identified across the northern portion of the study area (**Figure 3, Attachment A**). These areas were flat with comparatively few trees or shrubs (200-500 stems/ha), occasional residual dead standing vegetation and moderate litter layer. Considering the relatively small size of these patches, they were considered marginal habitat for the Henslow's Sparrow.

Playback survey within the marginal habitat did not detect Henslow's Sparrows. The species has experienced significant decline in Ontario. It should be considered absent from the Study Area.

## 3.6 FALL MIGRATION

**Attachment G** provides a detailed list of species recorded by date during each of fall migration surveys by Acadia. A total of 120 species were observed during the fall migration of 2008. The following sections discuss the most significant species or numbers of individuals that were observed over the 68 survey days.

Two species at risk were recorded: the Short-eared Owl, which is federally and provincially a species of special concern, and the Rusty Blackbird which is federally a species of special concern but not listed provincially. Both species are discussed further in **Section 3.8**.

#### Waterbirds

Double-crested Cormorants were abundant with a total of 1301 individuals observed with as many as 131 observed in a single day. Great Blue Heron and Sandhill Crane were much less common with respectively 4 and 1 individuals observed over the survey period.

#### Waterfowl

Eleven species of waterfowl were observed by Acadia's early morning fall surveys including Canada Goose, Greater White-fronted Goose, an unidentified swan, Wood Duck, Mallard, Bufflehead, Common Goldeneye, unidentified scaup, Long-tailed Duck, Common Merganser and Red-breastered Merganser. Of these, the unidentified scaup was the most common with 2604 observations, followed by Canada Goose with 423 observations and Mallard with 391 observations. Common Mergansers and Red-breasted Mergansers were relatively common with 267 and 180 observations, respectively. Other species were observed in much lower numbers, with 1 to 12 individuals of each observed over the survey period.

#### Shorebirds

Shorebirds observed during the fall migration surveys include the Spotted Sandpiper, Solitary Sandpiper, Semipalmated Sandpiper and an unknown plover. All species were observed in relatively low numbers, with 1 to 6 individuals of each observed over the survey period.

## **Raptors and Vulture**

Merlins were the most common raptor observed during the fall migration survey. In total, 42 Merlins were observed with as many as 6 in one day. Other relatively common raptor species included Sharp-shinned Hawk (19 observations), American Kestrel (18 observations), and Cooper's Hawk (9 observations). Other raptor species were observed in lower numbers, with 1 or 2 observations overall, and include Turkey Vulture, Osprey, Bald Eagle, Northern Harrier, Northern Goshawk and Red-tailed Hawk.

Jacques Whitford conducted a more focused survey on fall migrating raptors in 2006. The findings of this survey are presented in **Section 3.7**.

#### **Neotropical Migrants**

Relatively small numbers of vireos (3 species totaling 23 individuals) and flycatchers (6 species totaling 71 individuals) were observed through the fall migration study period. Thrushes were also observed in small numbers with 3 species totaling 22 individuals, 20 of which were Hermit

Thrushes. In total, fifteen species of warblers were observed in the Study Area. Of these, Yellow-rumped warbler (182), Palm Warbler (121) and Common Yellowthroat (72) were the most common. Other species were observed in small numbers, with numbers of each totaling 1 to 24 observations.

#### Other birds

Other species that occurred in larger numbers during the fall migration period include European Starling (1489), Blue Jay (1365), American Goldfinch (1117), Cedar Waxwing (887) and American Robin (598). Blackbird species were abundant, represented by 2026 Common Grackles, 316 Red-winged Blackbirds and 2405 unidentified blackbirds.

In total, thirteen sparrow and junco species were observed. Song Sparrow was the most common species with 681 observations, followed by Dark-eyed Junco (263), White-throated Sparrow (233) and Field Sparrow (94).

# 3.7 FALL RAPTORS

A summary of Jacques Whitford's 2006 fall raptor data is provided in **Table 3.7**, **Attachment B.** A peak was observed on October 5 with 212 observations over the course of the 3 hour survey (70.7 observations/hr). Passage rates during other surveys varied from between 0 and 52.3 raptors per hour. Passage rates appeared to peak between September 12 and October 5 with very few observations after November 2.

In total, 13 species of raptors were observed. Across all survey dates, majority of the observations (369) were of Turkey Vulture, followed by Sharp-shinned Hawk (97) and Red-tailed Hawk (39).

Most raptors were observed flying to the east (23% of observations) or the southeast (38% of observations). A less important route was to the west (23% of observations).

**Table 3.8, Attachment B** summarized the flying height of the observed raptors. Fifty-two percent of the observations were over 100m high. Thirty-three percent were between 0 and 40m and sixteen percent between 40 and 100m.

In 2008, only one day of significant migrant raptor movement was noted. An Acadia observer at Prince Edward Point observed over 1100 raptors during the peak movement period between 09:00 and 14:00 on October 29, 2008. The majority of these (approximately 1000) were Red-tailed Hawks. Approximately 60 Golden Eagles and 25 Bald Eagles were estimated as well as 10 Rough-legged Hawks and several Merlins, American Kestrels, and Broad-winged Hawks (P. Taylor, pers. comm.).

Three species at risk were observed. The Peregrine Falcon is listed federally as a species of special concern and is provincially threatened. The Bald Eagle is designated Not at Risk federally; at the provincially level the southern population is considered Endangered and the

northern population is of special concern. The Golden Eagle is provincially endangered and federally Not at Risk. Species at risk are discussed in more detail in **Section 3.8**.

# 3.8 SPECIES AT RISK

A Golden-winged Warbler was observed on May 20, 2008 during Acadia's spring migratory area searches. The Golden-winged Warbler is a federally threatened species and a provincial species of special concern. The observation was made along the north-south road through the middle of the Study Area. This individual was not observed again through the remainder of the spring migration season or breeding season, and it was considered to be a migrating individual.

A Short-eared Owl (a federal and provincial species of special concern) was observed on October 15, 2008 by Acadia. This was an incidental observation, made outside of the regular early morning area searches. Wintering Short-eared Owls are regularly encountered in some areas of southeastern Ontario. According to the Canadian IBA database, Amherst Island, located 27 km northeast of the Study Area, is known to support the one of the highest concentrations of overwintering Short-eared Owls in Ontario. However, this species was not observed during the winter raptor surveys in the Study Area, and the Study Area does not provide suitable open country habitat for wintering raptors such as Short-eared Owl (**Section 4.1**). The individual Short-eared Owl was likely a migrant, moving on to more suitable overwintering habitat.

Rusty Blackbirds (a federal species of special concern) were observed during Acadia's fall migration area searches, with most observations in later October. A total of 179 Rusty Blackbirds were observed. It is considered a relatively common migrant in southern Ontario.

A single Bald Eagle was observed during Acadia's 2008 fall migration surveys and 4 were observed during the 2006 fall raptor migration study (with 3 observations on a single day). The southern Ontario population of Bald Eagles is provincially endangered, whereas the northern population (north of French and Mattawa Rivers) is special concern. Bald Eagles are known to overwinter on islands in eastern Lake Ontario and Prince Edward County, where they feed primarily on waterfowl. However, no observations of Bald Eagles were made in the Study Area during the winter raptor surveys.

A single Peregrine Falcon (provincially threatened and a federal species of special concern) was observed during the 2006 fall raptor migration study. This species experienced DDT-related population crashes in the 1970's but has experienced dramatic recovery since its return to the province in the late 1980's (Cadman et al., 2007).

Approximately 60 Golden Eagles (provincially endangered and federally Not at Risk) were observed at Prince Edward Point, located approximately 10 km east of the Study Area, on October 29, 2008. It is possible that some crossed over the Study Area during fall migration. No observations of Golden Eagles were made in the Study Area during the winter raptor surveys.

According to the NHIC database, Black Terns (a provincial species of special concern) are known to nest in two locations within the Prince Edward County South Shores IBA (MNR, 2008); in the Big Sand Bay wetland (approx. 3.5 km east of the Study Area) and the Gull Bar area of Point Petre Provincial Wildlife Area (approx. 7.5 km west of the Study Area). Although not observed during 2008 breeding bird surveys, the species was recorded in the Study Area by Jacques Whitford during surveys conducted in June, 2006. The Black Tern is area-sensitive, typically breeding in suitable marsh habitat with emergent vegetation measuring at least 20 ha in size. One marsh community occurs in the southeastern corner of the Study Area, however, it is only approximately 4 ha in size, and no Black Terns were observed during the 2008 breeding bird surveys that included this marsh. It is likely that the Black Tern observed in 2006 was a foraging visitor from a nearby breeding colony.

Of the species at risk listed in the Prince Edward County South Shore IBA by Wilson and Cheskey (2001), Least Bittern (federally and provincially threatened) and King Rail (federally and provincially endangered) were recorded in the 10 x 10 km breeding bird atlas square that includes the Study Area during recent atlas efforts (Cadman et al., 2007). These species are also thought to be area-sensitive marsh species that require approximately 100 ha of suitable habitat for breeding (although recent Ontario surveys have detected the presence of Least Bittern in smaller marshes). No marsh habitat of a suitable size for these species occurs on or adjacent to the Study Area. Neither species was observed during the 2008 breeding bird surveys that included the 4 ha marsh.

# 4.0 Discussion

# 4.1 WINTER BIRDS

#### 4.1.1 Summary of Results

Raptors are generally attracted to winter habitats that offer several key features: open areas that support a range of small mammals for prey, scattered fence posts or snags for perches, and relatively mature woodlots nearby for roosting (Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, 2000). Although a few open areas occur, the majority of the Study Area is comprised of shrubland that would be less suitable for hunting raptors. The site does not contain hayfields, pastures or croplands that typically would support small rodent populations upon which wintering raptors rely (Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, 2000). Voles and mice are not well-suited to the shallow or absent soils and seasonal inundation. As well, there are no relatively mature mixed or dense coniferous woodlands on site that are preferred for roosting (Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, 2000). Overall, the lack of ideal habitat and the results of the winter raptor survey would suggest that the Ostrander Point Study Area does not support significant numbers of wintering raptors.

Waterfowl were regularly observed in Lake Ontario adjacent to the study area. Observations occurred more than 50 m offshore in deeper water and beyond the frozen lakeshore. The highest number of waterfowl observed was 504 during the March 4, 2008 survey. Long-tailed Ducks were the most abundant species, with up to 350 observed in a single survey. However, this represents a very small percent of waterfowl that typically overwinter within the Prince Edward County South Shore IBA. In January 1996 and 1997, one-day peaks of Long-Tailed Ducks were approximately 37,700. A count on April 17, 2000 resulted in an estimate of 150,000 Long-tailed Ducks in the waters of the IBA (Wilson and Cheskey, 2001). White-winged Scoters and Greater Scaup regularly overwinter in numbers of 5,000 and 10,000 respectively (Wilson and Cheskey, 2001). The IBA Site Summary (IBA Canada, undated; **Attachment C**) indicated that the most significant portion of the IBA for staging and wintering waterfowl occurs along the shoals and deep water off the tip of the peninsula, further east of the Study Area.

Aside from waterfowl, few species were observed during the winter surveys. Two of the species observed in relatively high numbers in 2006, Bohemian Waxwing and Pine Grosbeak, are considered nomadic during winter months.

#### 4.1.2 Potential Effects

Impacts to wintering birds are anticipated to be minimal. As few raptors are likely to utilize the site during winter months, there is very little risk of direct collision or indirect avoidance impacts.

Waterfowl wintering offshore may potentially experience displacement by avoidance. However, the waters offshore of the proposed Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park support a very small proportion of the total waterfowl wintering in the Prince Edward County South Shore IBA.

# 4.2 MIGRATORY WATERFOWL

## 4.2.1 Summary of Results

At the proposed Ostrander Point Wind Park, waterfowl were regularly observed offshore during both spring and fall migratory periods. Waterfowl in the Goldeneye guild (mostly Common Goldeneye), mergansers (mostly Common Mergansers and Red-breasted Mergansers) and bay ducks (mostly scaup) were commonly encountered. Canada Geese were also common in spring and fall and Mallards common in fall only.

Almost all waterfowl observations were made offshore. Results of comprehensive spring waterfowl surveys found that geese and dabblers rarely foraged in or flew over the Study Area and adjacent lands. During the spring surveys, bay ducks, mergansers and goldeneye were only observed offshore, with no observations over the Study Area.

# 4.2.2 Potential Effects

A summary of studies conducted by Kingsley and Whittam (2007) indicated that few waterfowl fatalities occur as a result of contact with wind turbines, relative to the numbers of waterfowl present, due to avoidance behaviors. Direct mortality of migratory waterfowl is not expected to be a significant issue at the Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park.

Disturbance or behavioural effects related to turbine activity are more likely (Kingsley and Whittam, 2007). Operational turbines may result in displacement of waterfowl staging offshore. However, as with wintering waterfowl, the most important areas for staging migrants appear to occur along the shoals and deep water off the tip of the peninsula, further east of the Study Area (IBA Canada, undated). The waters offshore of the proposed Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park support a very small proportion of the total waterfowl staging in the Prince Edward County South Shore IBA.

# 4.3 FALL MIGRATORY RAPTORS AND OWLS

## 4.3.1 Summary of Results

Although many Northern Saw-whet Owls in Ontario stay on territory year-round, many migrate south in the fall (Cadman et al., 2007). Variation in migrant numbers between years seems to be related to breeding success, with significantly higher than average proportions of hatchling-year individuals recorded during peak years (Whalen and Watts, 2002).

Northern Saw-whet Owls have been consistently captured in large numbers at the Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory, located at the tip of Prince Edward Point. A fall migratory banding program at the bird observatory from 1975 to 1988 resulted in the capture of between 83 and 779 Northern Saw-whets annually for a total of 4,875 owls over the 13-year period (Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory, 2008).

Timing of Northern Saw-whet migration through Prince Edward Point occurs from September to November. At the bird observatory most owls are captured in October with a peak mid-month (Weir et al., 1980; Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory, 2008). Some banding data suggest that adults migrate earlier than immatures (Contreras, 2000), however Weir et al. (1980) and Jobes (2002) did not find significant relationships in Ontario between migration timing and age or sex. Northern Saw-whet Owls migrate during the night with most captures at banding stations in the 4-hour period before sunrise (Weir et al. 1980, Duffy and Kerlinger 1992). However, it is unclear if this period of higher capture rate is related to migration activity or other behavior (i.e. hunting).

Weir et al. (1980) hypothesized that most of the Northern Saw-whet Owls arrive at Prince Edward Point via a land route from the mainland moving eastward down the peninsula. They also hypothesized that most owls do not cross Lake Ontario, but instead backtrack westward upon reaching the point. However, the exact route by which Northern Saw-whet Owls arrive and leave Prince Edward Point remains unconfirmed.

Northern Saw-whet Owls typically fly low over the ground with rapid wingbeats (Rasmussen et al., 2008). However, the manner and height at which they fly during migration is poorly understood.

Fall migration raptor surveys, conducted by Jacques Whitford, found relatively high raptor movement at the Ostrander Point site, peaking on October 5, 2006 with 212 raptor observations over a 3 hour survey. Across all surveys, Turkey Vultures were the most commonly observed species, with relatively high numbers of Sharp-shinned Hawks and Red-tailed Hawks. Most raptors appeared to be moving eastward, towards the tip of the Prince Edward Point peninsula. The majority of raptors observed were flying above turbine blade sweep height; however, many were also observed flying at blade height.

During fall migration, large numbers of raptors migrate along the north shoreline of Lake Ontario, down into Prince Edward County (Sprague and Weir, 1984). Prevailing winds tend to push these raptors eastward, along the south shore of the county to Prince Edward Point (Sprague, 1987). The IBA Site Summary (IBA Canada, undated; **Attachment C**) indicates that up to 2000 raptors a day can be observed moving up the point. The results of field surveys reflected this function.

To put the numbers of Ostrander Point fall migrating raptors observations in context, **Table 4.1**, **Attachment B** provides a comparison with three other Ontario hawk watch stations located on the north shore of Lake Ontario or Lake Erie (Hawk Count, 2008). The Cranberry Marsh hawk watch is located near Oshawa on Lake Ontario, Hawk Cliff is located near Port Stanley on Lake Erie and Holiday Beach is located at the western tip of Lake Erie. As migration counts on individual days can be highly variable, only days with available data from Ostrander Point were used in the comparison. It was assumed that weather conditions would be relatively similar across all hawk watch station on each of the days compared.

Daily numbers at the hawk watch stations were highly variable. Numbers at the Ostrander Point Study Area were generally similar to or slightly higher than at the other count locations early in the season (August and early September), but through October and November numbers at hawk watch stations were typically higher than those observed within the Study Area. Overall, the number of migrating raptors appeared to be increasingly larger at more westerly hawk watch stations.

#### 4.3.2 Potential Effects

There is little to no information available regarding the collision and disturbance effects to owls (Kingsley and Whittam, 2007). No collisions of Northern Saw-whet Owls with wind turbines have been documented in the studies examined by Kingsley and Whittam (2007). The hunting behaviour of Northern Saw-whet Owls from low perches of 3 m or less in forest openings or edges (Rasmussen et al., 2008) is expected to minimize opportunities for colliding with turbine blades. However, flight altitude during migration is less certain.

Due to the concentration of raptors during the fall migration period, there is some risk of potential negative effects, including direct mortality. Raptors appear to be more vulnerable to collision than other species groups (National Academy of Sciences, 2007). Many of the raptors observed during fall surveys were flying at turbine blade sweep height making them potentially susceptible to collision. In addition, because raptors have relatively low reproductive rates, population recovery from mortality effects can be slow (Kingsley and Whittam, 2007).

Results of post-construction monitoring from another wind farm in Ontario may provide insight into potential impacts to fall migrating raptors and vultures. The Erie Shores Wind Farm is located near Port Burwell on the north shore of Lake Erie. This site is approximately 30 km east of the Hawk Cliff hawk watch station, an area that typically has higher fall raptor and vulture activity than Ostrander Point (**Table 4.1, Attachment B**). Peak numbers at the Hawk Cliff have been known to reach tens of thousands of raptors. Post construction monitoring of the Erie Shore Wind Farm was completed in 2006 (James, 2007), and included mortality searches and behaviour monitoring of fall migrating raptors and vultures. The behavioural monitoring found several raptor species including Northern Harrier, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Cooper's Hawk, Redtailed Hawk and American Kestrel moving through the wind farm in large numbers with no particular avoidance or hesitation in flying past the wind turbines. Results of the mortality searches found a single raptor fatality (Sharp-shinned Hawk) and a single Turkey Vulture fatality during the fall migration season in 2006.

## 4.4 MIGRATORY PASSERINES

#### 4.4.1 Summary of Results

The majority of migratory birds observed in the Study Area were neotropical migrants or other passerines. The Prince Edward County South Shore IBA is a known concentration area for migrating passerines, with particular concentrations at the tip of the peninsula where the Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory is located (Wilson and Cheskey, 2001).

#### 4.4.2 Potential Effects

Various studies have been conducted throughout North America to document bird collisions at wind facilities and to determine why collisions may be occurring. From a review of the available literature, it appears that most collisions are of nocturnal migratory songbirds (Kingsley and Whittam, 2007), at least partly because they are the most abundant species at wind energy facilities (National Academy of Sciences, 2007). Most of these studies have shown that direct mortality attributable to wind facilities is low, especially when compared to other anthropogenic structures (Arnett et al., 2007; Kingsley and Whittam, 2007; National Academy of Sciences, 2007), and are not expected to be significant at a population level (Arnett et al., 2007).

No information exists regarding the effects on migrating passerines of disturbance and habitat fragmentation due to wind turbines. However, because these species in general are able to use a much wider range of habitat types during migration compared to the breeding season, it is expected that the effects of disturbance would be less significant during migration than during the breeding season.

## 4.5 BREEDING BIRDS

## 4.5.1 Summary of Results

Most species of breeding birds observed within the Study Area are typically associated with shrubland or open woodland, which corresponds to the habitat found on site. The site did not provide significant habitat for grassland breeding birds, although small numbers of grassland birds such as Eastern Meadowlark and Grasshopper Sparrow were observed. Targeted surveys for American Woodcock and Wilson's Snipe indicated they were abundant breeders within the Study Area.

A few forest habitat species including Wood Thrush and Scarlet Tanager were observed around the periphery of the Study Area, in proximity to forest patches. However, substantive forest cover does not occur within the Study Area itself.

Fourteen priority species identified by PIF (2006) were recorded breeding in the Study Area including Northern Harrier, Whip-poor-will, Black-billed Cuckoo, Northern Flicker, Willow

Flycatcher, Eastern Kingbird, Wood Thrush, Brown Thrasher, Field Sparrow, Savannah Sparrow, Grasshopper Sparrow, Eastern Towhee, Eastern Meadowlark and Baltimore Oriole.

#### 4.5.2 Potential Impacts

Species that conduct aerial mating displays, such as American Woodcock and Wilson's Snipe, may be at higher risk to collisions with turbines. Most observations of the aerial displays of these species in the Study Area indicated they attained the height of turbine blade sweep, making them potentially susceptible to collision.

For most other species of breeding birds, indirect effects have the potential to be greater threats than direct mortality. Destruction, fragmentation, and disturbance of habitat as a result of wind energy projects were identified as larger threats to breeding birds than direct mortality (Kingsley and Whittam, 2007). In Minnesota, the density of breeding grassland birds including Bobolink, Red-winged Blackbird, and Savannah Sparrow was reduced by 50% within 80 m of turbines; (Leddy et al., 1999). No disturbance information exists for shrubland birds, some of which have been identified as priority species by PIF (2006).

# 4.6 POTENTIAL EFFECTS – SUMMARY

The Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park Study Area was found to be used by a variety of bird species during each season. The results of the comprehensive bird studies within the Study Area suggest that potential effects to the following groups of birds require further analysis:

- Fall migratory raptors and Northern Saw-whet Owls;
- Spring and fall migratory passerines;
- Breeding American Woodcock and Wilson's Snipe; and,
- More sensitive breeding bird species including priority species identified by Partners in Flight.

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# **Attachment A**

# Figures





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GILEAD POWER OSTRANDER POINT WIND ENERGY PARK

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### **BIRD POINT COUNT** AND MONITORING **STATION LOCATIONS**

GILEAD POWER OSTRANDER POINT WIND PROJECT PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY, ONTARIO

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300 400 Meters Property Lines Proposed Transmission Line Proposed Access Roads Watercourse Turbine Transformer Station AMWO/WISN Point Counts  $\bigcirc$ Breeding Bird Point Counts  $\bigcirc$ Fall Rapter Monitoring Station  $\bigcirc$ HESP Playback Station  $\bigcirc$ 

Waterfowl Monitoring Station

Marginal HESP Habitat

Spring and Fall Migration Monitoring Transect



# **Attachment B**

# Tables

Survey Date	Survey Type	Completed By	Time	Weather Conditions*
February 4, 2008	Winter Raptor Survey	Jacques Whitford	08:00-13:30	-3°C; wind of 0-3; 65-100% cloud cover; no precipitation; good visibility
February 20, 2008	Winter Raptor Survey	Jacques Whitford	11:00-17:30	-13°C; wind of 0-2; 5-75% cloud cover; no precipitation; good visibility
March 4, 2008	Winter Raptor Survey	Jacques Whitford	10:30-16:30	-1 to 1°C; wind of 0-3; 90-100% cloud cover; no precipitation; good visibility
April 1, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Daytime	Stantec	16:35 - 17:30	9°C with a wind of 5. 80% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 1, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dusk	Stantec	19:20 - 20:10	5°C with a wind of 5-6. 80-100% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 2, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dawn	Stantec	07:00 - 08:00	-5°C with a wind of 2-3. 0% cloud cover and no precipitation.
April 9, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Daytime	Stantec	15:40 - 16:30	5°C with a wind of 2-3. 100% cloud cover with no precipitation
April 9, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dusk	Stantec	19:00 - 20:15	5°C with a wind of 4. 10% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 10, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dawn	Stantec	06:30 - 07:35	2°C with a wind of 3. 0% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 16, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Daytime	Stantec	18:45 - 19:10	13°C with a wind of 1. 15% cloud cover with no precipitation
April 16. 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dusk	Stantec	19:10 - 20:15	13°C with a wind of 0-1. 15% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 16, 2008	Wilson's Snipe and American Woodcock	Stantec	20:32 - 22:18	10-5°C with a wind of 0-1. 5% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 17, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dawn	Stantec	06:30 - 07:30	1°C with a wind of 1. 5% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 22, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Daytime	Stantec	18:45 - 19:15	15°C with a wind of 0. 60% cloud cover with no precipitation
April 22, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dusk	Stantec	19:20 - 20:25	12°C with a wind of 0-1. 50% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 22, 2008	Wilson's Snipe and American Woodcock	Stantec	20:21 - 21:51	18°C with a wind of 0-1. 10% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 23, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dawn	Stantec	06:30 - 07:40	9°C with a wind of 0-1. 5% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 29, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Daytime	Stantec	18:45 - 19:10	8°C with a wind of 4.5% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 29. 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dusk	Stantec	19:10 - 20:25	8°C with a wind of 4. 5% cloud cover with no precipitation.
April 29, 2008	Wilson's Snipe and American Woodcock	Stantec	20:25 - 22:00	7-5°C with a wind of 2-4. 5% cloud cover with no precipitation
April 30, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dawn	Stantec	06:00 - 07:00	1°C with a wind of 1-2. 5% cloud cover with no precipitation.
May 6, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Daytime	Stantec	18:35 - 19:15	11°C with a wind of 2. 60% cloud cover with no precipitation
May 6, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dusk	Stantec	19:10 - 20:15	10°C with a wind of 2. 70% cloud cover with no precipitation.
May 6, 2008	Wilson's Snipe and	Stantec	20:20 - 21:44	8°C with a wind of 1-2. 60% cloud

Survey Date	Survey Type	Completed By	Time	Weather Conditions*
	American Woodcock			cover with no precipitation.
May 7, 2008	Spring Waterfowl Dawn	Stantec	05:55 - 06:45	8°C with a wind of 1. 20% cloud cover with no precipitation.
Daily; May 2 to June 2, 2008	Spring Migration	Acadia	0.5 - 2.5 hours after sunrise	N/A
June 11, 2008	Breeding Birds Point Counts	Stantec	04:45 - 10:00	15-23°C, with a wind of 1 increasing to 3. Cloud cover of 5 increasing to 20% and no precipitation
June 12, 2008	Breeding Birds Point Counts	Stantec	04:45 - 10:00	14-17°C, with a wind of 1 increasing to 3. Cloud cover of 50% and no precipitation
June 25, 2008	Breeding Birds Point Counts	Stantec	05:00 - 10:00	12-17°C, with a wind of 1-2. Cloud cover of 5% and no precipitation.
June 26, 2008	Breeding Birds Point Counts	Stantec	05:00 - 10:00	14-17°C, with a wind of 2. 100% Cloud cover. Short periods of light rain.
June 10, 2008	Breeding Henslow's Sparrow	Stantec	20:45 - 21:40	22°C, with a wind of 1. Cloud cover of 10% and no precipitation.
June 24, 2008	Breeding Henslow's Sparrow	Stantec	21:45 - 23:00	16°C, with a wind of 2. Cloud cover of 10% and no precipitation.
August 12-16, 25-31 2008; September 1- 19, 21-30, 2008; and October 1-16, 18-28, 2008,	Fall Migration	Acadia	0.5 - 1.5 hours after sunrise	N/A
August 21, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-14:15	N/A
September 5, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-14:15	N/A
September 12, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-14:15	N/A
September 19, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-14:15	N/A
October 5, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-14:15	10°C, with a wind of 3-4 from the E. Cloud cover 10-60% with no precipitation.
October 12, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-13:15	8°C, with a wind of 5-6 from the W. Cloud cover 70-90% with no precipitation.
October 19, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-13:15	12°C with a wind of 3 from the W. Cloud cover 100% with no precipitation.
October 26, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-13:15	5°C with a wind of 2-3 from the N to NE. Cloud cover 20-40% with no precipitation.
November 2, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:15-13:15	6°C with a wind of 4 from the W. Cloud cover 60-80% with no precipitation.
November 9, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:00-13:00	13°C with a wind of 3 from the W. Cloud cover 90% with no precipitation.

Survey Date	Survey Type	Completed By	Time	Weather Conditions*
November 17, 2008	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:00-13:00	6°C with a wind of 5 from the W. Cloud cover 100% with drizzle during the count.
November 24, 2006	Fall Raptor Migration	Jacques Whitford	11:00-13:00	5°C with a wind of 3 from the E. No cloud cover or precipitation during the count.
* Wind conditions expressed using Beaufort Scale:				
0 – calm, <2km/h km/hr	nr 2 – light, 7-12 km/	/hr	4 – moderate, 20-30 km/hr 6 – strong,	
1 – light, 2-6 km/	hr 3 – moderate, 13-	19 km/hr	5 – fresh, 31-40 k	km/hr

Table 3.1   Summary of Winter Raptor Results					
Species	Feb 4, 08	Feb 20, 08	Mar 4, 08	Height	
Tundra Swan		2		0-40m (over lake)	
Redhead			53	In Lake	
Greater Scaup			55	In Lake	
Long-tailed Duck	350		230	In Lake	
Bufflehead			31	In Lake	
Common Goldeneye	1		135	In Lake	
Ruffed Grouse			4	On ground	
Ring-billed Gull	1			0-40m (over lake)	
Herring Gull			1	0-40m (over lake)	
Gull Species		2		0-40m (over lake)	
Hairy Woodpecker	1	1	1	0-40m	
Blue Jay	3		1	0-40m	
American Crow			1	0-40m	
Black-capped Chickadee	5	14	7	0-40m	
American Robin			1	0-40m	
European Starling		20		0-40m	
Bohemian Waxwing		6	395	69% @ 0-40m; 31% @ 40-100m	
Pine Grosbeak		4	1	0-40m	
Total	361	47	916		

Date	South over land towards lake	North or northwest over land	East over land	West overland	Grand Total
April 2, 08	17 (100%)		6 (33%)		23 (83%)
April 10, 08					0 (0%)
April 17, 08	1 (0%)	2 (100%)		2 (100%)	5 (80%)
April 23, 08	1 (0%)		2 (0%)	6 (66%)	9 (45%)
April 30, 08	4 (25%)		1 (0%)		5 (20%)
May 7, 08			5 (0%)	1 (100%)	6 (17%)
Grand Total	23 (78%)	2 (100%)	14 (14%)	9 (78%)	48 (60%)

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Table 3.2	Spring	Waterfowl	Dawn	Movement	2008

Notes:

Cells represent number of individuals observed. Number in brackets denotes percentage of birds flying at blade height (35- 125m). 63% of observations were of Canada Goose, 15% were Mallards, 13% were Common Loons, 8% were Double Crested Cormorant and 2% Sandhill Crane

Table 3.3	Spring	Waterfowl	Dusk	Movement	2008
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Date	Flying South towards lake	Flying North	Flying East	Flying West	Grand Total
April 1, 08	10 (100%)		1 (0%)		11 (91%)
April 9, 08		2 (0%)		3 (0%)	5 (0%)
April 16, 08	1 (0%)				1 (0%)
April 22, 08			2 (0%)		2 (0%)
April 29, 08					0 (0%)
May 6, 08					0 (0%)
Grand Total	11 (91%)	2 (0%)	3 (0%)	3 (0%)	17 (53%)

Notes:

Cells represent number of individuals observed. Number in brackets denotes percentage of birds flying at blade height (35-125m). 21 % of observations were of Canada Goose, 26% were Mallards and 53% were identified to dabbling ducks

Table 3.4 Summary of Waterfowl Days by Guild, Spring 2008						
Guild	Total Waterfowl Observed	Total Waterfowl Days				
Geese	253	880				
Large Dabblers	5	18				
Bay Ducks	90	348				
Sea Ducks	59	212				
Goldeneye	3803	13802				
Merganser	747	1956				
Loon	1	4				

Table 3.4 Summary of Waterfowl Days by Guild, Spring 2008

Species	Total birds	avg/pc	pairs/10ha
Wild Turkey	1	0.05	0.17
Northern Harrier	1	0.05	0.17
Killdeer	1	0.05	0.17
Mourning Dove	2	0.11	0.34
Alder Flycatcher	14	0.74	2.35
Willow Flycatcher	1	0.05	0.17
Least Flycatcher	1	0.05	0.17
Eastern Kingbird	4	0.21	0.67
Blue Jay	1	0.05	0.17
Tree Swallow	2	0.11	0.34
Black-capped Chickadee	4	0.21	0.67
House Wren	6	0.32	1.01
Marsh Wren	1	0.05	0.17
Wood Thrush	1	0.05	0.17
American Robin	15	0.79	2.51
Gray Catbird	6	0.32	1.01
Brown Thrasher	15	0.79	2.51
Cedar Waxwing	5	0.26	0.84
Yellow Warbler	32	1.68	5.36
Chestnut-sided Warbler	1	0.05	0.17
Black-and-white Warbler	1	0.05	0.17
Common Yellowthroat	11	0.58	1.84
Scarlet Tanager	1	0.05	0.17
Eastern Towhee	13	0.68	2.18
Chipping Sparrow	9	0.47	1.51
Clay-colored Sparrow	16	0.84	2.68
Field Sparrow	21	1.11	3.52
Savannah Sparrow	5	0.26	0.84
Song Sparrow	46	2.42	7.71
Swamp Sparrow	4	0.21	0.67
White-throated Sparrow	1	0.05	0.17
Northern Cardinal	2	0.11	0.34
Red-winged Blackbird	11	0.58	1.84
Common Grackle	3	0.16	0.50
American Goldfinch	10	0.53	1.68
Brown-headed Cowbird	11	0.58	1.84
Baltimore Oriole	2	0.11	0.34

 Table 3.5
 Summary of Breeding Bird Densities

Table 5.0 American woodcock and wison 5 ompe survey results, cens represent maximum number of marviadais observed over rour surve	Table 3.6	American Woodcock and Wilson's Sni	ipe survey results. Cells re	epresent maximum number of individuals observed over four surveys
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Monitoring Station	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Density (pair/10ha)
Wilson's Snipe	3	1	1	2	2	3	2	2	1	1	0	0	1	2	2	1	4.8
American Woodcock	3	3	2	2	1	2	2	1	3	2	3	3	2	2	2	2	7.0

#### Table 3.7 Summary of Fall Raptor Survey Results, 2006

	21-Aug-	5-Sep-	12-Sep-	19-Sep-	5-Oct-	12-Oct-	19-Oct-	26-Oct-	2-Nov-	9-Nov-	17-Nov-	24-Nov-	
	06	06	06	06	06	06	06	06	06	06	06	06	Total
Turkey Vulture	6	10	87	103	151	2		3	7				369
Bald Éagle					3						1		4
Osprey			2	6									8
Northern Harrier			5		2	3	1	2	3	1			17
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	6	40	8	34	3		4	1				97
Cooper's Hawk		1	2		3			1					7
Broad-winged Hawk				10									10
Red-shouldered Hawk					3			1					4
Red-tailed Hawk	1	1	8	2	13	3		6	2		3		39
Rough-legged Hawk									2				2
Buteo Sp.								6	2				8
American Kestrel	1	4	13	3	1								22
Merlin		1			2					1			4
Peregrine Falcon				1									1
Total Observations	9	23	157	132	212	11	1	23	17	2	4	0	591
Duration of Survey (hr)	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	14
Passage Rate													
(observations/hr)	3.0	7.7	52.3	44.0	70.7	5.5	1.0	11.5	8.5	2.0	4.0	0.0	42.2
Source: Jacques Whitfor	d (unpublishe	ed)											

Table 3.8 Summa	ry of Fall Migratory Raptor Hei	ght Results		
	At or Above Tree Level (0-40m)	Well Above Tree Level (40-100m)	High (>100m)	Total
Turkey Vulture	103	53	213	369
Bald Eagle			4	4
Osprey	4		4	8
Northern Harrier	10	3	4	17
Sharp-shinned Hawk	47	11	38	96
Cooper's Hawk	2	2	3	7
Red-shouldered Hawk			4	4
Red-tailed Hawk	10	8	21	39
Rough-legged Hawk		1	1	2
Buteo Sp.	1		7	8
Broad-winged Hawk		10		10
American Kestrel	15	2	5	22
Merlin	1	1	2	4
Peregrine Falcon		1		1
Total	193	92	306	591
Percent	32.7%	15.6%	51.8%	

Hawk Watch		Aug 21,	Sept 5,	Sept 12,	Sept 19,	Oct 5,	Oct 12,	Oct 19,	Oct 26,	Nov 2,	Nov 9,	Nov 17,	Nov 24,	-
Station		2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	Iotal
Ostrander	Total													
Point	Observations	9	23	157	132	212	11	1	23	17	2	4	0	591
	Duration of													
Study Area	Survey (hr)	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	26
	Passage Rate (observations/ hr)	3.0	7.7	52.3	44.0	70.7	5.5	1.0	11.5	8.5	2.0	4.0	0.0	22.7
Cranberry	Total					_						-		
Marsh	Observations	14	7	7	132	1240	25	1	270	26	0	7	3	1732
Lake Ontario	Duration of												-	
Shoreline	Survey (hr)	5	2	2	7	6	3	3	6	5	2	3	2	46
	Passage Rate (observations/ hr)	2.8	3.5	3.5	18.9	206.7	8.3	0.3	45.0	5.2	0.0	2.3	1.5	37.7
	Total													
Hawk Cliff	Observations	N/A	10	0	393	2883	62	41	1953	191	22	N/A	22	5577
Lake Erie	Duration of		-									-		
Shoreline	Survey (hr)	N/A	5	2	8.5	10	1	7	9	6	9	N/A	3	60.5
(near Erie Shores Wind	Passage Rate (observations/													
Farm)	hr)	N/A	2.0	0.0	46.2	288.3	62.0	5.9	217.0	31.8	2.4	N/A	7.3	92.2
Holiday	Total													1021
Beach	Observations	N/A	41	56	210	6396	191	107	976	1728	429	10	72	6
West end of	Duration of													
Lake Erie	Survey (hr)	N/A	3	6	5	11	5.5	6	7	6.5	9	5	7	71
	Passage Rate (observations/ hr)	N/A	13.7	9.3	42.0	581.5	34.7	17.8	139.4	265.8	47.7	2.0	10.3	143.9

 Table 4.1
 Comparison of Ostrander Point and Ontario Hawk Watch Stations

## Attachment C

### Summary of Spring Migratory Area Searches (Acadia University)

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Red-breasted Merganser	Mergus serrator 6																							6
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Red-tailed Hawk	Buteo jamaicensis	-										Ì									•			- L
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Vood Thrush	Hybcichla mustelina	:			-			<u> </u>		2	2					- 1				- 1		1		11
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Attachment C Summary of S	Spring Migration Area Searches	(Acadia Unive	sity	╞	$\left  \right $	╞	╞	$\mid$						$\mid$													_	_			Г
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BIRDS																														Total	
Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea																1	2	1				1								5
Eastern Towhee	Pipilo enythrophthalmus	80	5	e	e	7	7	4	9	9	5 4	5	4	5	9	<u>е</u>	3	4	4	7	9	4	7	9	8	5	5	4	9	7	5
Chipping Sparrow	Spizella passerina	24	24	14	12	12	20	15	12	1 1	3 13	25	20	18	14	11 1.	2 13	18	18	19	27	25	20	10 1(	0 14	18	16	15	12	22 52	4
Clay-colored Sparrow	Spizella paliida					1	2	2	3	4	4 5	9	5	8	4	8	8 6	6	4	5	7	6	9	2	5 9	9	7	4	9	8 15	2
Field Sparrow	Spizella pusilla	31	24	20	18	19	24	17	21	4 1,	9 12	14	14	13	17	18 1.	4 6	26	23	20	22	18	16	9	11	10	13	2	12	8 5	9
Savannah Sparrow	Passerculus sandwichensis	3	5	2	8	4	9	3	3	3	4 2	5	2	3	з	2	2	4	ю	5	4	2	6	e	3 2	9	10	з	4	6 13	2
Fox Sparrow	Passerella iliaca																	_							2						2
Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia	40	23	15	23	27	26	21	30	5 Zi	5 24	24	26	28	29	33 33	39 29	47	44	39	48	44	48	40 35	9 49	99	54	55	44	52 11	9
Swamp Sparrow	Melospiza georgiana								1	1	1							_													4
White-throated Sparrow	Zonotrichia albicollis	4	2	2	7	9	17	4	9	7	1	3	2	2	з	1	1	4			1				1			-		1	5
White-crowned Sparrow	Zonotrichia leucophrys						6	12	9	4	4			1	1	-	6 1	3	2				2							_	2
Sparrow Species						1												_													-
Dark-eyed Junco	Junco hyemalis				1					-																		-			-
Northern Cardinal	Cardinalis cardinalis																	_					1	1							2
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Pheucticus ludovicianus	1	9			6	1		2		3		2	13	2	1	2		1					2	3			1			6
Indigo Bunting	Passerina cyanea														1			_					1		1						e
Bobolink	Dolichonyx oryzivorus				1	1					3	2																-			7
Red-winged Blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus	3	8	5	4	З	3		13	2	4 2	+	2		1	3	4	1	1		2	з	1	2	2			1	2	2	6
Eastern Meadowlark	Sturnella magna	1	4	2	2	3	3		3	3	3 1	3	2	1	1	2	2 3	4	1	1	2	2		3	2 2	1	2		2		2
Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula	10	20	2	22	-	13	6	9	1	9	2	2	-	2	5	2	12	e	4	14	9	2	8	6 2	-		4	-	4	2
Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater	36	40	25	20	33	20	15	4	5	2 6	19	18	19	16	29 2	13 13	23	24	23	23	19	24	28 26	6 29	25	23	14	22	26 68	œ
Baltimore Oriole	Icterus galbula					1			1	2	1	3	3	4	1	2	3 1	2	1		4	1	1		1					2	4
Purple Finch	Carpodacus purpureus																				1										-
American Goldfinch	Carduelis tristis	2	2		7	Э		4	з	2	2 5	7	2	5	10	6	4 9	5	4	2	15	10	13	5	7 29	10	6	5	з	5 19	8
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## **Attachment D**

# **Breeding Bird Species List**

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIEIC NAME	ONTARIO	GLOBAL	COSSARO	COSEMIC	AREA (ha)	Local Status PIF Priority Species	COMMENTS	Area Senstive Reference	
		_	_	_						_
BIRDS										
Ruffed Grouse	Bonasa umbellus	S5	G5			20			Sandilands 2005	
Wild Turkey	Meleagris gallopava	S4	G5							
Common Loon	Gavia immer	S4	G5	NAR	NAR	70		Not likely breeding in the Study Area		
Double-crested Cormorant	Phalacrocorax auritus	S4	G5	NAR	NAR	20		Not likely breeding in the Study Area	Sandilands 2005	
Great Blue Heron	Ardea herodias	S5	G5					Not likely breeding in the Study Area		
Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura	S4	G5					Not likely breeding in the Study Area		
Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	S4	G5					Not likely breeding in the Study Area		
Northern Harrier	Circus cyaneus	S4	G5	NAR	NAR	55	×		Sandilands 2005	
Killdeer	Charadrius vociferus	S5	G5							
Wilson's Snipe	Gallinago delicata	S5	G5							
Ring-billed Gull	Larus delawarensis	S5	G5					Not likely breeding in the Study Area		
Herring Gull	Larus argentatus	S5	G5					Not likely breeding in the Study Area		
Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia	S3	G5	NAR	NAR			Not likely breeding in the Study Area		
Mourning Dove	Zenaida macroura	S5	G5							
Black-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus erythropthalmus	S4	G5				×			
Whip-poor-will	Caprimulgus vociferus	S4	G5			100	×			
Downy Woodpecker	Picoides pubescens	S5	G5							
Northern Flicker	Colaptes auratus	S5	G5				×			
Alder Flycatcher	Empidonax alnorum	S5	G5							
Willow Flycatcher	Empidonax traillii	S5	G5				×			
Least Flycatcher	Empidonax minimus	S5	G5							
Great Crested Flycatcher	Myiarchus crinitus	S5	G5							
Eastern Kingbird	Tyrannus tyrannus	S5	G5				×			
Blue Jay	Cyanocitta cristata	S5	G5							
American Crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos	S5	G5							
Tree Swallow	Tachycineta bicolor	S5	G5							
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	S5	G5							
Black-capped Chickadee	Poecile atricapillus	S5	G5							
House Wren	Troglodytes aedon	S5	G5							
Marsh Wren	Cistothorus palustris	S5	G5							
Wood Thrush	Hylocichla mustelina	S5	G5				×			
American Robin	Turdus migratorius	S5	G5							
Gray Catbird	Dumetella carolinensis	S5	G5							
Brown Thrasher	Toxostoma rufum	S5	G5				×			
European Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	SE	G5							
Cedar Waxwing	Bombycilla cedrorum	S5	G5							
Yellow Warbler	Dendroica petechia	S5	G5							
Chestnut-sided Warbler	Dendroica pensylvanica	S5	G5							
Common Yellowthroat	Geothlypis trichas	S5	G5							
Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea	S5	G5			20				
Eastern Towhee	Pipilo erythrophthalmus	S4	G5				×			

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	ONTARIO STATUS	GLOBAL STATUS	COSSARO	COSEWIC	I AREA (ha)	.ocal Status PIF Priority Species	COMMENTS	Area Sensitive Reference	
		L								
BIRDS										
Chipping Sparrow	Spizella passerina	S5	G5							
Clay-colored Sparrow	Spizella pallida	S4	G5							
Field Sparrow	Spizella pusilla	S5	G5				×			
Savannah Sparrow	Passerculus sandwichensis	S5	G5				×			
Grasshopper Sparrow	Ammodramus savannarum	S4	G5				×			
Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia	S5	G5							
Swamp Sparrow	Melospiza georgiana	S5	G5							
White-throated Sparrow	Zonotrichia albicollis	S5	G5							
Northern Cardinal	Cardinalis cardinalis	S5	G5							
Red-winged Blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus	S5	G5							
Eastern Meadowlark	Sturnella magna	S5	G5				×			
Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula	S5	G5							
Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater	S5	G5							
Baltimore Oriole	Icterus galbula	S5	G5				×			
American Goldfinch	Carduelis tristis	S5	G5							
SUMMARY										
Total Butterflies:										
Total Amphibians:										
Total Reptiles:										
Total Birds:										
Total Breeding Birds:										
Total Mammals:										
SIGNIFICANT SPECIES										
Global:										
National:										
Provincial:										
Regional:										
Local:										
Explanation of Status and Acron	ymns									
COSSARO: Committee on the Stat	us of Species at Risk in Ontario									
COSEWIC: Committee on the Statu	us of Endangered Wildlife in Can	ada								
REGION: Rare in a Site Region										
S1: Critically Imperiled—Critically ir	mperiled in the province (often 5	or fewer or	currence	S)						
S1S2: Extremely rare to very rare in	n Ontario									

COMMON NAME SC	IENTIFIC NAME	ONTARIO STATUS	ILOBAL TATUS C	OSSARO	COSEWIC	I AREA (ha)	ocal Status PIF Priority Species	And Sundive Sentito Reference	
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BIRDS									
S2: Imperiled—Imperiled in the provinc	e, very few populations (often	20 or fewe	r),						
S2S3: Very rare to uncommon in Ontar	rio								
S3: Vulnerable—Vulnerable in the prov	vince, relatively few populations	s (often 80	or fewer)						
S3S4: Rare to common in Ontario									
S4: Apparently Secure—Uncommon bu	ut not rare								
S4S5: Common to very common in Ont	tario								
35: Secure-Common, widespread, an	nd abundant in the province								
SE: Exotic; not believed to be a native	component of Ontario's fauna								
SH: Possibly Extirpated (Historical)									
SZ: Not of practical conservation conce	ern as there are no clearly defir	able occu	rences.						
SZB: Breeding migrants/vagrants									
SZN: Non-breeding migrants/vagrants									
<ol> <li>Not yet ranked; or, following a rankin</li> </ol>	ng, rank inexact or uncertain								
31: Extremely rare globally; usually few	wer than 5 occurrences in the c	overall ranç	е						
31G2: Extremely rare to very rare glob	ally								
32: Very rare globally; usually between	1 5-10 occurrences in the overs	all range							
32G3: Very rare to uncommon globally	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								
33: Rare to uncommon globally; usuall	ly between 20-100 occurrence:	8							
33G4: Rare to common globally									
34: Common globally; usually more the	an 100 occurrences in the over	all range							
34G5: Common to very common globa	ally								
35: Very common globally; demonstrat	bly secure								
T: Denotes that the rank applies to a s∪	ubspecies or variety								
END: Endangered									
THR: Threatened									
/UL: Vulnerable									
SC: Special Concern									
VAR: Not At Risk									
ND: Indeterminant, insufficient informa	ation to assign status								
DD: Data Deficient									
5: Rare in Site Region 6									
7: Rare in Site Region 7									
Area: Minimum patch size for area-sen.	isitive species (ha)								
H- highly significant in Hamilton Region	n (i.e. rare)								
m- moderately significant in Hamilton R	Region (i.e. uncommon)								
-1- extremely rare locally (Toronto Reg	jion)								
2- very rare locally (Toronto Region)									
-3- rare to uncommon locally (Toronto	Region)								
HR- rare in Halton Region, highly signif	ficant								
HU- uncommon in Halton Region, mod-	lerately significant								
COSEWIC status - *-Carolinean popula	ation designation, **- Great Lak	kes/St.Law	ence pop	ulation de	signation				

COMMON NAME SCIE	ENTIFIC NAME	ONTARIO STATUS	GLOBAL STATUS C	ossaro	COSEWIC	Lc AREA P (ha)	ocal Status IF Priority Species	COMMENTS	Area Sensitive Reference	
BIRDS										
COSSARO status- END-R <sup>1</sup> - south of	f the French and Mattawa	Rivers								
* The Pileated Woodpecker will incor	rporate smaller woodlots i	nto its hor	nerange,	therefore	it may ne	ot be a	true ar	ea-sensitive species		
LATEST STATUS UPDATE										
Sutternes: Jurie, 2008										
Pentilaeris. Jurie, 2000 Pentilaer Jurae 2008										
3irds: June, 2008										
Mammals: June, 2008										
3 and G rank explanations: August 30, 2	007									
VOTE										
All rankings for birds refer to breeding bit	rds unless the ranking is follo	wed by N								
REFERENCES										
COSSARO Status										
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COSEWIC Status										
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Region of Waterloo. 1996. Regionally Signific	cant Breeding Birds.									
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## **Attachment E**

# **Point Count Height Summary**

		<b>TOTAL BIRDS IN ALL</b>	On Ground or Below	At Blade	Above Blade	Well Above Blade
		POINT COUNTS	Blade Sweep Height	Sweep Height	Sweep Height	Sweep Height
COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME					
Alder Flycatcher	Empidonax alnorum	21	21			
American Crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos	10	10			
American Goldfinch	Carduelis tristis	13	13			
American Robin	Turdus migratorius	22	22			
Baltimore Oriole	lcterus galbula	3	8			
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	2	2			
Black-and-white Warbler	Mniotilta varia	1	1			
Black-capped Chickadee	Poecile atricapilla	4	4			
Blue Jay	Cyanocitta cristata	2	2			
Brown Thrasher	Toxostoma rufum	28	28			
Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater	12	12			
Canada Goose	Branta canadensis	20	0	20		
Cedar Waxwing	Bombycilla cedrorum	10	10			
Chestnut-sided Warbler	Dendroica pensylvanica	1	1			
Chipping Sparrow	Spizella passerina	12	12			
Clay-colored Sparrow	Spizella pallida	23	23			
Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula	3	8			
Common Loon	Gavia immer	2	2			
Common Yellowthroat	Geothlypis trichas	15	15			
Eastern Kingbird	Tyrannus tyrannus	5	2			
Eastern Towhee	Pipilo erythrophthalmus	15	15			
European Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	2	2			
Field Sparrow	Spizella pusilla	29	29			
Gray Catbird	Dumetella carolinensis	11	11			
House Wren	Troglodytes aedon	8	8			
Killdeer	Charadrius vociferus	t.	0	Ł		
Least Flycatcher	Empidonax minimus	t.	1			
Marsh Wren	Cistothorus palustris	1	1			
Mourning Dove	Zenaida macroura	5	5			
Northern Cardinal	Cardinalis cardinalis	4	7			
Northern Flicker	Colaptes auratus	1	L			
Northern Harrier	Circus cyaneus	1	L			
Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	1	L			
Red-winged Blackbird	Agelaius phoeniceus	18	18			
Ring-billed Gull	Larus delawarensis	ω	9	2		
Savannah Sparrow	Passerculus sandwichensis	5	5			
Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea	1	1			
Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia	73	73			
Swamp Sparrow	Melospiza georgiana	2	2			
Tree Swallow	Tachycineta bicolor	9	9			
White-throated Sparrow	Zonotrichia albicollis	2	2			
Wild Turkey	Meleagris gallopava	1	١			
Willow Flycatcher	Empidonax traillii	1	1			
Wood Thrush	Hylocichla mustelina	2	2			
Yellow Warbler	Dendroica petechia	52	52			
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## Attachment F

## Summary of Fall Migratory Area Searches (Acadia University)

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# **Appendix C2**

## Acadia Radar Study



APPENDIX C2 – ACADIA RADAR STUDY

SUMMARY OF RESULTS ACADIA UNIVERSITY RADAR STUDY OF BIRD MIGRATION, OSTRANDER POINT

February 2009

#### SUMMARY OF RESULTS ACADIA UNIVERSITY RADAR STUDY OF BIRD MIGRATION, OSTRANDER POINT

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### SUMMARY OF RESULTS ACADIA UNIVERSITY RADAR STUDY OF BIRD MIGRATION, OSTRANDER POINT

## 1.0 Introduction

### 1.1 BACKGROUND

Gilead Power Corporation is proposing the development of the Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park, which will be comprised of wind turbines generating up to 24 MW of renewable electricity. This project is located on Crown land within Prince Edward County. It also falls within the Prince Edward County South Shores Important Bird Area (IBA), which has been designated for its concentrations of migratory landbirds during spring and fall migration, among other things (IBA Canada, undated; Wilson and Cheskey, 2001). A particular area of concentration is the tip of Prince Edward Point, located approximately 10 km east of the project site.

The results of a radar-acoustic study conducted at Prince Edward Point in the spring of 2005 (Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory and EchoTrack, undated) suggested that nocturnallymigrating songbirds cross directly over Lake Ontario, as well as along the shoreline from the west and east. In spring, Prince Edward Point provides the first landfall opportunity for these individuals. Radar results indicated that the flight activity, as measured by the number of flights per minute, increased sharply between 1.25 and 1.5 hours after dusk, with a second peak between 6 and 7 hours after dusk (2 to 3 hours before dawn) (Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory and EchoTrack, undated). Average minimum height of targets was lowest at these times, which led the author to conclude that these peaks represented departing and arriving migrants, respectively (Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory and EchoTrack, undated). Arriving migrants were observed to prefer forested and shrub areas on Prince Edward Point.

In North America, nocturnal migrants comprise the majority of bird fatalities attributable to wind energy facilities. However, the numbers affected are small relative to the overall populations of these species, and mortality of nocturnal migrant passerines from wind energy facilities is not considered to be significant (Arnett et al., 2007). Numbers of bat fatalities at North American facilities are comparatively higher, and the potential population effects are less certain. Additionally, the proximity of the site to the shoreline of Lake Ontario is thought to present a higher risk to migratory bats by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (2007). As part of the project consultation process for the proposed Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park, and based on the potential significance of the area for migratory landbirds, Environment Canada recommended that radar studies be conducted during the spring and fall bird migration (Environment Canada, letter to M. Dawson, March 17, 2008). As a result, the proponent elected to participate in an integrated research study conducted by Acadia University, Bird Studies Canada and Environment Canada.

## 1.2 STUDY OVERVIEW

Radar studies were conducted nightly by Acadia University on the Ostrander Point Crown land block between May 4 and May 31, 2008 and between August 11 and October 30, 2008. The radar was run continuously from one half hour before sunset to between 1 and 3 hours after sunrise. Data acquired during periods of rain were removed from the analysis. The Acadia

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summary report (Taylor, 2008) is provided in **Attachment 1**. This document provides a detailed description of the equipment, methods, calibrations, corrections and calculations employed in the radar study. The location of the radar unit is shown in **Figure 3** of **Appendix C1**.

The radar unit detects biological targets, which can include birds, bats, and insects. Because insects are thought to fly more slowly than birds and bats, Taylor (2008, **Attachment 1**) screened the data to eliminate insects by using an airspeed cutoff of 10 m/s.

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## 2.0 Summary of Results

## 2.1 MIGRATION ACTIVITY

Taylor (2008) presents the estimated density of biological targets per  $\text{km}^3$  (x.corr) and the mean traffic rate (MTR), expressed as the number of targets per  $\text{km}^2$  per hour, and calculated as x.corr multiplied by the average groundspeed and by 1 km (the assumed height of sky being sampled). These measures of migratory activity are presented for each hour interval through the night, by 50 m height intervals between 0 m and 1000 m (Taylor, 2008; **Attachment 1**).

For this summary report, by dividing by 20, the MTR was adjusted to reflect the estimated number of targets passing through each 50 m height interval across a 1 km length perpendicular to the direction of travel. These data were summed across each season to indicate the total estimated number of targets passing through each height zone for each time interval (**Tables 1** and **2**, **Attachment 2**).

In spring, approximately 70,355 targets were detected. Of these, an estimated 41% were detected between 50 m and 150 m above ground (**Table 1**, **Attachment 2**). The proportion that fell within this height interval varied considerably across the season, and likely was related to weather conditions. The proportion that fell within this height interval ranged from 9% on May 12 (on which date the largest number of targets was recorded), to 73% on the night of May 22 (on which date the smallest number of targets was recorded) (**Table 3**, **Attachment 2**).

In fall, approximately 160,649 targets were detected. Of these, an estimated 50% were detected between 50 m and 150 m above ground (**Table 2**, **Attachment B**). The proportion that fell within this height interval ranged from 25% on September 18, to 86% on August 23 (**Table 4**, **Attachment 2**).

## 2.2 DISCUSSION

Taylor (2008, **Attachment 1**) indicated that patterns of movement and flight altitude varied widely during migration. Under certain weather conditions or during periods of ascent and descent, higher numbers of targets flew at lower altitudes, however, no general conclusions were drawn.

Taylor (2009, pers. comm.) argues strongly that the measures of flight activity and target density determined by different radar studies cannot be directly compared due to differences in equipment configuration, calibration, data processing and analysis, and interpretation. As a result, no formal comparison among studies was attempted.

The risk of collision is determined by two factors: the number of targets passing through the airspace at the height of turbine blades, and the probability of interaction (Plissner et al., 2008). The probability of interaction is dependent on the exposure rate, which varies from minimal to

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maximal according to whether the turbines are oriented along the axis of primary flight direction or perpendicular to it, as well as the flight speed of the target, size of target, rotor speed, and blade dimensions (Plissner et al., 2008). Consequently, it should not be assumed that all targets flying between 50 and 150 m are at risk of collision with wind turbines, because if oriented perpendicular to the direction of migration travel, a single wind turbine occupies a maximum of 90 m of the 1 km length perpendicular to travel. Additionally, under many conditions, some birds and bats will detect and alter flight paths to avoid collision (EchoTrack Inc., 2005; Plissner et al., 2008).

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**Attachment 1** 

## Acadia Report

#### **Radar studies of bird migration at Ostrander Point, ON.** Spring & Fall, 2008.

Summary report on data collected for Gilead Power.

Philip D. Taylor, Department of Biology, Acadia University. 5 December 2008.

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#### Methods

#### Hardware: Radar

All radar data were acquired with a 25 kw Furuno 1964 BB with a modified parabolic antenna (Rosendale, 24 inch dish). The dish has a theoretical beam width of  $4^{\circ}$ . For the duration of the study, the radar was run at short pulse, with a maximum range of ~5 km. All internal Furuno software settings (e.g. sea/rain clutter) were disabled or set to zero, but these are also known, through out own tests, to be bypassed by the Sigma S6 card. Thus, the signal that was processed for biological target detection was the 'raw' signal from the radar scanner.

#### Hardware: Radar Scan converter

Radar data were digitized using a Sigma S6 radar scan converter (Rutter Technologies. During the spring session, the signal was digitized with a sampling rate of 4096 pulses/scan (1 scan =  $\sim 2.4$  s revolution of the antenna) and 1024 samples/pulse (e.g. a resolution of  $\sim 5$  m per sample within a pulse). During the fall, the signal was digitized with a sampling rate of 1024 pulses/scan and 1024 samples/pulse.

#### Software:

The digital signal produced by the radar scan converter was captured and processed by the open source software, radR (radr.wik.is). radR uses a simple moving average/z-score method to extract putative biological signals from background; these 'blips' are stored in files (blipmovie archive format) for later viewing and processing (for details see radr.wik.is). Within radR, we used the tracker 'plugin' to combine multiple hits of putative targets into tracks.

All data were saved to text files for further processing (see below). All further processing was done using the R statistical language (R Statistical core team; v. 2.8.0).

#### Implementation

The radar was mounted ~2 m above ground at UTM 339429 (E) 4862816 (N) ~370 m SW of the Helimax meteorological tower, on Ostrander Point, Prince Edward County, ON. It was run continuously (except for technical failures) from 1 May through 31 May 2008 and from 11 Aug to 29 October 2008 (inclusive). The specific parameters set while running radR are presented in Appendix 1.

From 1-13 May 2008, the antenna was run with the antenna at an angle of 30 degrees off the horizontal; For all other sampling, the antenna was at an angle of 20 degrees off the horizontal. Angles were chosen to best obtain information on patterns of target movement at lower elevations. This meant that information from higher targets was sacrificed. Although the unit was operated at a nominal range of ~ 5 km, the practical range is considerably less and varies with target size. This is true of all radars, and is due in party to the attenuation of both the transmitted and reflected signals with distance, as detailed in the 'radar equation' (Larkin 2005). The radar cross section of targets (the amount of reflected energy seen by the radar) decays by about a fourth power with distance (Gauthreaux & Livingston 2006; Schmaljohann et al. 2008) so, with a 25 kw radar, small songbirds beyond about 1.4 km range are usually not detected. When the antenna is at an angle of 20°, a 1.4 km range translates into an altitude of ~ 500 m.

The radar was run continuously from ~  $\frac{1}{2}$  h before sunset to 1-3 h after sunrise. Days in each period were lost due to equipment failure: 1 night in spring (97% coverage) and 7 nights in fall (91% coverage). Data were acquired during periods of rain, but these were subsequently identified, and removed from the analysis. The advantage of running the unit through the rain is that behavior of target before and after these weather events can be observed.

#### Calibration and detection probabilities

It is difficult to distinguish between insects, birds and bats using scanning radar because all biological targets reflect radar energy, and the relationship between target size and reflected energy is non-linear. In particular, bats are problematic, since radar crosssections completely overlap those of birds. Biologists must therefore infer the identity of biological targets from other sources of information.

For example, we can sometimes distinguish birds from bats by patterns of movement – foraging bats have more curved paths than migrating birds, which are straight, but we cannot distinguish migratory bats if they are moving in a straight line. Many biologists use an airspeed cutoff to make the distinction. This cutoff is usually set at 8 m/s; birds are thought to usually flying faster than that speed, and insects to fly slower (e.g. see Shmaljohann et al 2008). However, some empirical work suggests that there is still considerable overlap; for example, Odonates can fly at airspeeds of up to 11 m/s (Feng et al. 2006) and obviously birds in some situations (e.g. when soaring) fly more slowly than 8 m/s.

#### Insect "contamination"

Periods when insects were known to be migrating (from daily visual observations) and likely bird movement (later in the year) were selected from all blipmovies. For example, in late August and early Sept there was a massive movement of Odonates at the site, likely consisting mostly of Green Darners (*Anax junius*) a well-known migrant (Russell 1998). These were major accumulations that occurred just before sunset and just before and after sunrise, and so targets detected by the radar were likely almost 100% insects.

I examined air speeds for these targets and determined maximum ranges for insect targets (e.g. smaller radar cross sections). As Schmaljohann (2007) I plotted the maximum range of detection under different conditions to determine minimum ranges beyond which insects can be considered a problem. For Odonates in this study, these ranges were ~ 800 m range, which at 20 deg antenna is about 275 m in altitude; these are likely the largest insects, smaller ones are only detected below this altitude. Such a pattern was consistent with patterns observed on other days in early Sept (up to 15 Sept) and some later in the month. I used these patterns to infer possible nighttime movement of Odonates (or other larger insects that are known to migrate; e.g. Armyworms), but these cannot be separated unequivocally.

I also tallied counts of nocturnally migrating songbirds (from daily ground counts) and computed Spearman's rank correlations those with MTR and raw counts of tracks observed the night before. Correlations were positive in both cases, and significantly different from zero (0.47, p < 0.001; 0.58, p < 0.001). I did the same for numbers of bat detections (with data provided by Stantec) but found no correlation (cor = -0.12; p = 0.39) between total counts across all four detectors and counts of migratory birds from the radar. Nights with high bat activity are not necessarily associated with high migration traffic, although this obviously needs more in-depth exploration.

#### Data summary

Data captured by program radR were processed as follows. All putative targets (blips) were first filtered using a set of parameters that, through visualizations of known insect and bird movements, appeared to best capture the bulk of targets that were birds, while eliminating at least some insects, rain, and other clutter. All targets were then processed through a tracking algorithm in radr (Shafique and Shah 2005) using parameters that captured tracks of migrating birds well (i.e. straight tracks of targets with airspeeds > 10 m/s), while eliminating spurious tracks during periods of intense activity (e.g. curved tracks, or tracks that were clearly in a direction not consistent with the pattern of movement being observed). The approach is conservative in that it underestimates the numbers of targets; however, it gives better estimates of speed and direction of real targets moving through the area.

Because signal strengths of radar beams attenuate towards the edges data are biased against the detection of targets closer to the radar (and hence at lower altitudes). This bias is partly because the radar beam samples a smaller airspace closer to the source of the beam which means that fewer targets of interest (e.g. birds) intersect the beam, and a larger number of spurious targets are detected (e.g. insects) which can contaminate or make track finding difficult. I estimated the extent of this bias by examining the relative number of targets at 100 m altitude bins in data sets containing only targets determined to be part of tracks) to the same data sets containing information on all targets detected by the radar. Empirically, this confirmed that estimates of target density at lower altitudes are likely lower than the true estimates, and target densities at higher altitudes are likely higher. Examining 5 nights with a strong pattern of migration, I determined that the point of no bias is approximately 230 m altitude (with our particular configuration of hardware, software, and track extraction parameters) and for the 100 - 200 m altitude bin estimates of target density (and hence migration traffic rates) are roughly a minimum of 75-95% of the true values.

Basic characteristics of all tracks detected by radR were computed: ground speed, altitude and bearing. Tracks were corrected for known air speed and direction obtained at 10 minute intervals from the nearby meteorological tower (at 60 m elevation) to obtain a target airspeed and heading, corrected for air movement. Plots of each migration night showing target elevation through time (at 3 different airspeeds) were produced for inspection and to aid in interpretation (Appendix 1 & 2). I then amalgamated data into bins of 1/3 h duration, and 100 m altitudinal ranges, to compute summary statistics for plotting and interpretation. Circular mean and rho were computed using the 'circular' package in R. Target density was calculated by first estimating the volume of sky sampled in each bin. This was done by first estimating an empirical 'beam width' from the 95<sup>th</sup> quantile of the angular span of all targets detected by radR within each bin, and then dividing the observed number of targets by the volume of sky measured and the duration of time the sky was sampled.

#### Calculation of Migration Traffic Rate

The approach used is conservative, in that estimate of rate is at the low end of the 'true' rate. This is in part because of the parameters I associated with the tracking algorithm, and in part because I used a high cutoff (10 m/s) of airspeeds to eliminate most insect targets. A high airspeed also removes birds and bats but an inspection of the results suggests that the resulting patterns remain similar.

Although it has a somewhat straightforward interpretation (the number of targets passing perpendicular to an arbitrary 1 km line) the means for calculation of MTR is not always clear in the literature. Furthermore, there are several assumptions associated with the calculation that are violated on some nights. In particular, the calculation assumes a constant flow of migrants *in the same direction* during the period of measurement but we know there are some periods when migrants are moving in different directions at different (or even the same) altitude. Finally, an ambiguous part of the calculation is the altitude of the sampled airspace, which is assumed to be 1 km, but is often not stated (e.g. see Schmaljohann 2008). This assumed volume of space has an impact on the resulting MTR number because the probability of detection of targets changes with altitude. Nonetheless, I compute MTR as in Schmaljohann (2008) by multiplying the estimated target density (targets/km^3) by average groundspeed (km/h) and by 1 km (the assumed height of sky being sampled).

So for example, a density of 1000 targets/km^3 travelling an average of 50 km/h in 1 km of airspace is: 100 targets/km^3 \* 60 km/h \* 1 km = 6000 targets/km/h. I view this as most useful as an index *within a given study* to compare adjacent heights, or height bands within some known range of high probable detection. Even though it appears to be widely used in various reports and studies, I discourage users of these data from making direct comparisons of MTR among studies, until better means of calibrating results can be determined.

#### Analysis

I calculated MTR for all subsections of all nights (as described above). I also summarized these to produce an 'average' MTR for each night (e.g. the simple average across all times, and height bins), for each height bin (e.g. the simple average across all times, for each night, within each height bin) and for each hour since sunset (e.g. the simple average across all heights, for each hour, within each night). It should be stressed that the simple average of these numbers may not be comparable across studies, for reasons described above.

For additional insight, I present a visual picture of migration for a subset of nights. Each night shows different patterns of movement, which, while not quantitatively expressed, aid in assessing the potential risk of turbines to migratory birds. In particular, one would expect higher risks when large numbers of targets are moving at low altitudes, or when meteorological conditions are such that many targets are forced to fly at lower altitudes. These 'abnormal' conditions can be compared to 'normal' conditions, when migrants appear to travel with no changes through the night, and in the expected direction for the season (e.g. south in the fall, north in the spring). A visual comparison of the numbers and durations of times of 'abnormal' activity compared to 'normal' activity, thus gives a better sense of the relative risk of the site to migratory organisms. The visual method allows a focus on particular times during the night when targets might be more at risk – in particular during periods of ascent and descent.

#### Summary

Nights w/no data: Spring: 2 May; Fall: 20 August, 18 Sept, 12-15 Oct, 28 Oct.

#### Selection of nights with bird behavior pertinent to turbine-siting considerations.

Each plot is a summary of the migration traffic rate by time (GMT) and altitude (m). Only targets below 600 m altitude are shown. The black line on the left hand side of the plot shows the time of sunset. The orange line on the right hand side of the plot shows the time of sunrise. Pairs of blue lines show periods of rain, where no birds are detected.

The black arrows show, for combinations of altitude bins (50 m) and time bins (20 min) the circular mean of track bearings (geographic orientation), strength of direction (i.e. rho; the length of each arrow) and estimated migration traffic rate (log(MTR) ~ line thickness) of all targets moving > 10 m/s, throughout the night. The base of the arrow is situated at the mid-point of the height and time bin.

The plots are presented in separate pdf files (attached). Below are annotations for each night, giving my interpretation of what is going on.

#### 3 May

Rain at beginning of night; strong migration between 0400 and 0800 after which there was more rain. The plot shows an increase in MTR with altitude through the night, with a decrease after the short period of rain (~0700). It also shows most targets (that in the spring are likely arriving from across the lake) are very high.

#### 5 May

The plot shows migration beginning around 1.5 h after sunset, at lower altitudes, followed by strong migration between 0500 and 0700 at mid-high higher altitudes. Note the shift in wind from a southerly flow (until about 0600) to a NW flow around 0800. The shift in wind curtails the migration for the night, and is followed by higher densities at lower altitudes for a short period.

#### 16 May

A night with a very high MTR (one of the highest) and no rain, or changes in weather. Good light flow of winds from the SW throughout the night. The pattern shows high densities of targets at lower altitudes than previous nights.

#### 25 May

Another big night of migration, but with stronger, more southerly winds, and with a short period of rain. The birds kept migrating through the rain (there was only a short period with no targets detected). Note that before dawn, targets are ascending to higher altitudes; this is known as the 'dawn ascent', and is thought to be birds assessing the landscape for suitable placed to land. Note that there is no evidence of high densities of targets at lower altitudes during this period, which suggests that they did not choose to settle in the vicinity of the radar.

#### 26 May

Another big night of migration, but with an extended period of rain. Note that before the rain the behaviour of targets is typical of a night such as 25 May (except that it begins much earlier) but that after the period of rain, targets are at generally lower altitudes, and stay there. A higher proportion of these targets is at lower altitudes than other nights.

#### 29 May

This plot shows a) big migration of targets that are likely local (e.g. not from across the lake) at the beginning of the night (~ 0100) followed by another influx of targets after 0300 (likely representing targets that have arrived from across the lake). Targets show a different height profile from other nights. This may be due to a different atmospheric configuration in the altitude between 200 and 600 m, suggested by the low numbers of targets in that zone, and the pattern of bearings that suggest air at those altitudes was moving in a different direction from that at lower elevations.

Fall

### 11 Aug

Shows a extensive S movement throughout. Some re-orientation of targets is evident between 0300 and 0530 (smaller rho at lower altitudes indicates less overall directionality within that bin).

## 12 Aug

A shift in winds associated with strong N movement at 0300 shows a pattern of reorientation of targets over a period of ~ 2 h. Many targets remained at high altitudes initially, but after 0500 targets were generally lower.

### 24 Aug

Wind switches at ~2 h after sunset; very strong S flow of birds through night; targets are up to relatively high altitudes. Insect activity at dawn. Some targets apparently moving N between 0100 and 0200, down low only; then additional targets low (fast moving, N, between 0600 and 1000).

### 25 Aug

Good movement throughout night, fast southerly targets (even with virtually no wind between 0100 and 0300). Some noticeable descent of targets by 0900

### 27 Aug

Nice wind shift to N after 0600. Targets were mostly at low altitudes even before the shift, but lower thereafter.

#### 30 Aug

Huge number of targets, mostly heading S. Many at high altitudes.

#### 03 Sept

Targets throughout the night at generally lower altitudes. Large emergence of insects at dawn, mostly moving S.

#### 04 Sept

No insects; impressive movement on light NE winds until a shift in winds around 0700 to v. strong S. This shift was followed by a decrease in abundance and altitude of targets with many targets moving N. This likely represents re-orientation towards the shore after the wind shift.

#### 09 Sept

Large movement, at low-high altitudes. Mostly moving S, but note that the directionality of targets lower down is quite mixed, in particular between 0200 and 0500. This does not appear to coincide with any shift in weather.

#### 14 Sept

A major emergence of insects around dawn, after strong southerly winds changed to moderate NW – fast moving targets low-med height started around 0400 until dawn, mostly moving N). Between 0400 - 0700 the targets appear to be birds (fast moving,

lower densities) moving NE. Between 0700 - 0800 there is a huge influx of targets, moving with the wind, at about 16-17 m/s. The tail wind at that time is about 5-6 m/s – so these targets are fast, but on the edge of being insects. I'm inclined to think that they are either Odonates (which can fly at night) or some other insect (e.g. armyworms).

#### 15 Sept

Massive continual movement throughout night on light S winds, many high up.

17 Sept – good movement, mostly high and S but some re-orientation and low directionality between 0700 and 1000.

#### 20 Sept

Good example of wind shift, from strong S to strong N; targets pick up (mostly high up) during shift and then descend. Low rho values indicate some strong N movement low down between 0500 and 0600. Notice too that the wind shift appears sooner at higher altitudes – a good example of why corrections of target speed and direction for wind speed and direction is difficult without data at very high altitudes (which generally isn't available).

#### 28 Sept

Good movement, mostly high, but low down N movement between 0600 and 0800 Interesting moving – many low targets, clearly flying N into the wind after 0600. Throughout the altitudinal bands after 0600 the target directions are highly variable. I suspect that there was fog, drizzle or something else happening in the morning.

#### 01 Oct

Huge movement, mostly high, but lots of targets moving N lower. The movie is quite similar to 28 Sept ... many targets low down, clearly flying in to the wind; many of these are non-directional, and are presumably birds descending or exploring for places to land

#### 04 Oct

Large movement even through some small bands of rain.

#### 06 Oct

Huge movement, mostly S, mostly higher up.

#### 16 Oct

Good strong movement S, mostly high up. Targets show increased lack of directionality after 0500.

#### 23 Oct

Good example of S movement in light S headwinds at beginning of night.

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## **Attachment 2**

# Tables

Sum of Targets/km/h	Hours Sinc	e Sunset												
Height	-0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.5	10.5	11.5	Total
25	0.0	84.1	39.0	33.4	207.8	73.5	92.0	92.5	140.1	53.0	15.0	0.0	0.0	830.2
75	0.0	684.3	678.3	809.1	1,929.0	1,854.7	1,467.6	1,198.0	862.6	396.0	57.5	1.0	3.6	9,941.5
125	0.0	1,745.0	1,758.8	1,830.4	2,814.9	3,203.5	2,515.4	2,275.5	1,826.5	889.6	86.4	8.0	0.6	18,954.5
175	0.0	1,258.3	1,339.0	1,409.6	1,746.3	2,589.7	1,969.7	1,908.0	1,767.0	946.8	80.9	6.5	4.2	15,026.0
225	0.0	683.2	799.1	914.6	1,206.8	1,927.6	1,709.3	1,232.1	982.4	741.6	73.2	5.6	3.0	10,278.5
275	0.0	345.6	427.2	531.2	900.8	1,179.3	1,031.9	674.0	459.1	468.7	63.2	3.6	4.8	6,089.2
325	0.0	169.4	228.0	370.8	683.1	631.1	595.5	399.7	199.2	298.1	43.3	6.3	3.7	3,628.2
375	0.0	82.6	111.1	229.1	396.3	269.8	233.2	172.1	100.7	158.2	29.0	3.8	3.4	1,789.3
425	0.0	37.6	78.4	157.2	201.6	144.9	127.0	103.4	68.2	100.3	23.7	4.1	2.2	1,048.6
475	0.0	19.6	53.5	128.2	119.2	98.0	104.6	70.4	46.1	71.5	19.0	2.8	2.9	735.9
525	0.0	7.1	38.9	96.0	100.7	75.6	78.0	54.9	35.3	46.9	16.8	5.5	1.2	557.1
575	0.0	3.9	31.7	87.8	75.4	58.1	53.0	40.8	24.0	32.9	12.3	3.8	2.2	426.0
625	0.0	1.4	27.5	74.9	61.1	55.6	36.4	25.3	19.9	20.2	8.6	2.4	4.3	337.6
675	0.0	0.5	19.7	49.2	41.8	39.2	28.6	18.3	18.5	14.0	7.9	1.8	2.3	241.9
725	0.0	0.2	14.0	28.2	32.4	24.8	22.2	12.7	12.8	12.9	5.3	1.7	1.4	168.4
775	0.0	0.2	8.6	13.8	23.9	16.2	15.8	10.3	8.9	7.8	3.9	1.5	1.6	112.4
825	0.0	0.4	5.7	7.3	15.4	14.0	10.3	6.1	7.3	5.2	2.8	1.2	1.9	77.4
875	0.0	0.6	4.3	8.4	9.4	8.8	5.2	4.0	7.2	4.0	2.5	1.5	0.3	56.2
925	0.0	0.0	2.5	4.6	6.9	5.7	3.0	2.8	3.9	2.3	0.8	0.6	0.1	33.3
975	0.0	0.0	2.1	2.4	4.3	3.5	2.6	1.7	3.2	1.4	1.2	0.5	0.1	23.2
Total	0.0	5,123.9	5,667.4	6,786.3	10,577.2	12,273.6	10,101.3	8,302.6	6,592.7	4,271.4	553.3	61.9	44.0	70,355.6
Proportion in Potential Risk Zor	0.0	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.4

Table 1: Sum of targets in each height interval, all dates, spring 2008.

#### Table 2: Sum of targets in each height interval, all dates, fall 2008.

Sum of Targets/km/h	Hours Sinc	e Sunset																
Height (m)	-0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.5	10.5	11.5	12.5	13.5	14.5	15.5	Total
25	5 -	205.3	313.4	218.1	560.3	507.5	642.1	727.9	604.1	321.8	315.1	586.1	197.8	110.0	124.0	144.8	-	5,578.3
75	5 -	1,933.2	2,995.9	2,787.5	3,657.1	3,788.7	4,177.9	4,413.5	3,561.9	2,677.3	1,925.2	2,112.6	1,121.4	526.8	556.4	395.0	9.6	36,639.9
125	5 -	2,593.5	4,182.7	4,216.3	4,752.3	4,770.6	4,997.2	4,686.0	3,504.1	3,068.7	2,045.1	2,462.6	1,448.9	384.0	356.1	135.8	6.0	43,609.8
175	5 -	1,171.4	2,585.2	3,416.2	3,567.7	3,813.3	3,528.8	3,246.4	2,602.8	2,089.8	1,276.3	1,540.0	924.0	311.0	190.6	77.2	1.5	30,342.1
225	- i	553.7	1,577.9	2,243.9	2,388.0	2,482.1	2,164.1	1,995.2	1,704.6	1,294.4	773.0	788.0	483.6	183.2	127.4	51.5	1.8	18,812.4
275	- i	304.4	950.6	1,415.6	1,518.1	1,528.0	1,300.5	1,156.8	1,057.6	781.6	456.4	342.6	238.9	80.3	74.2	28.1	0.8	11,234.4
325	- i	177.0	586.1	919.3	902.5	910.9	799.9	751.5	605.8	401.6	256.4	173.5	106.4	40.5	41.0	20.1	0.3	6,692.8
375	- i	94.8	372.2	565.5	520.2	529.7	499.6	447.1	350.6	226.7	141.2	85.4	42.4	16.4	22.9	11.2	0.1	3,926.1
425	- i	47.9	219.8	305.3	291.7	280.7	260.8	235.7	187.5	113.0	73.6	39.1	15.6	8.9	12.8	7.1	0.5	2,100.1
475	- i	24.1	119.3	147.2	135.4	123.5	114.1	107.9	81.2	51.7	33.2	17.0	7.3	4.9	6.4	4.2	0.1	977.5
525	- i	10.5	50.1	58.5	49.8	50.4	44.2	46.6	36.5	22.7	14.3	8.9	3.8	2.6	3.3	2.3	-	404.6
575	5 -	5.3	25.5	30.3	21.0	25.0	20.1	18.0	16.5	12.8	8.3	3.5	2.1	1.3	1.8	1.6	0.0	193.1
625	5 -	3.3	12.5	12.8	11.0	10.4	7.2	6.0	5.3	5.0	3.8	2.1	0.8	0.7	1.6	0.9		83.5
675	5 -	1.7	4.9	3.8	3.8	3.2	2.9	2.4	2.0	1.3	1.4	1.3	0.5	0.2	0.8	0.7		30.8
725	5 -	0.6	1.5	1.2	1.6	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.3		11.5
775	5 -	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2		5.1
825	5 -	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0		3.0
875	5 -	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	-	0.1	0.0	0.0		1.8
925	5 -	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		1.1
975	5 -	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	1.0
Total	-	7,128.3	13,998.6	16,342.8	18,382.0	18,825.5	18,561.4	17,843.3	14,322.5	11,069.7	7,324.1	8,164.0	4,593.8	1,671.4	1,520.0	881.0	20.6	160,649.0
Proportion in Potential Risk Zo	r -	0.635	0.513	0.429	0.457	0.455	0.494	0.510	0.493	0.519	0.542	0.560	0.559	0.545	0.600	0.602	0.754	0.500

	Hours Since	Sunset													
Date	-0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.5	10.5	11.5	Daily %	Total Targets
5/4/2008				0.255	0.143	0.153	0.079	0.082	0.153					0.118	2,416.7
5/5/2008		0.196	0.121	0.279	0.332	0.457	0.606	0.384	0.379	0.390	0.335			0.316	1,655.9
5/6/2008		0.200	0.164	0.233	0.237	0.197	0.297	0.458	0.386	0.635	0.114			0.301	3,353.5
5/7/2008		0.674	0.607	0.439	0.629	0.472	0.556	0.446	0.495	0.434	0.097			0.504	1,841.7
5/8/2008				0.147		0.159	0.114	0.060	0.061	0.154				0.107	1,640.2
5/9/2008		0.174	0.305	0.281	0.236	0.302	0.271	0.230	0.207	0.461	0.759			0.261	1,172.2
5/10/2008		0.392	0.570	0.566	0.304	0.366	0.338	0.572	0.197	0.402	0.363			0.428	307.1
5/11/2008		0.344	0.309	0.285	0.433	0.438	0.515	0.466	0.426	0.311	0.200			0.411	2,028.1
5/12/2008		0.814	0.059	0.064	0.047	0.103	0.112	0.135	0.188	0.034	0.035			0.091	8,677.1
5/13/2008		0.347	0.184	0.185	0.182	0.156	0.059	0.045	0.099	0.183	0.267			0.120	1,813.9
5/14/2008		0.511	0.664	0.306	0.185	0.343	0.253	0.299	0.216	0.141	0.070	0.052	0.095	0.263	2,671.4
5/15/2008		0.413	0.367	0.379	0.377	0.517	0.503	0.346	0.406	0.528	0.853			0.407	2,935.8
5/16/2008		0.455	0.543	0.468	0.406	0.613	0.699	0.724	0.544	0.546	0.913			0.505	1,669.3
5/17/2008		0.750	0.635	0.463	0.352	0.457	0.455	0.451	0.471	0.288	0.220			0.440	5,334.4
5/18/2008		0.481	0.524	0.503	0.451	0.622	0.638	0.712	0.690	0.428	0.534	0.454		0.570	3,717.4
5/19/2008		0.644	0.543	0.733	0.579	0.540	0.536	0.244	0.522					0.538	329.1
5/20/2008		0.366	0.682	0.377	0.342	0.262	0.302	0.493	0.254	0.162	0.183			0.315	2,040.5
5/21/2008		0.436	0.445	0.622	0.772	0.747	0.607	0.668	0.547	0.323	0.491			0.635	3,666.9
5/22/2008			0.786	0.386			0.616		0.952	0.935	0.930			0.729	75.3
5/23/2008		0.777	0.544	0.531	0.478	0.847	0.887	0.750	0.673	0.788				0.680	801.9
5/24/2008		0.715	0.709	0.833	0.678	0.820	0.678	0.770	0.677	0.820	0.455			0.726	949.0
5/25/2008		0.671	0.713	0.685	0.736	0.790	0.772	0.711	0.611	0.500	0.693			0.702	2,222.3
5/26/2008		0.604	0.528	0.751	0.695	0.685	0.618	0.428	0.364	0.244	0.309			0.473	6,540.9
5/27/2008		0.486	0.403	0.423	0.697	0.807	0.842	0.759	0.675	0.750	0.553			0.593	6,691.8
5/28/2008		0.272	0.424	0.448	0.519	0.809	0.379	0.792	0.635	0.825	0.175			0.521	205.6
5/29/2008		0.729	0.730	0.494	0.582	0.559	0.397	0.370	0.469	0.452	0.238			0.535	1,678.3
5/30/2008		0.525	0.474	0.463	0.775	0.873	0.845	0.859	0.756	0.429				0.656	2,568.5
5/31/2008			0.397	0.415	0.598	0.500								0.544	1,350.6
															70,355.6

Table 3: Proportion of total targets that are in the zone of potential risk (50-150 m), spring 2008.

	Hours Since	Sunset				•											Daily %	Total Targets
Date	-0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.5	10.5	11.5	12.5	13.5	14.5	15.5	
8/11/2008																		
8/12/2008		0.880	0.759	0.609	0.563	0.487	0.425	0.410	0.499	0.538	0.499	0.369	0.203				0.615	3,824.0
8/13/2008		0.776	0.716	0.683	0.627	0.527	0.665	0.615	0.675	0.512	0.465	0.447					0.636	2,542.8
8/14/2008		0.733	0.520	0.556	0.466	0.533	0.551	0.653	0.597	0.620	0.503	0.575					0.561	2,009.7
8/15/2008		0.552	0.544	0.660	0.651	0.621	0.747	0.643	0.545	0.632	0.554	0.487	0.306				0.587	2,950.9
8/16/2008			0.550	0.582	0.420	0.522	0.657	0.708	0.349	0.591	0.708	0.525					0.561	100.5
8/17/2008		0.450	0.257	0.494	0.396	0.396	0.578	0.709	0.426		0.570	0.639					0.466	71.2
8/18/2008		0.475	0.139	0.450	0.567	0.387	0.518	0.722	0.588	0.205	0.744	0.539					0.510	45.6
8/19/2008			0.808		0.718	0.832		0.507	0.223	0.634	0.412	0.410					0.575	34.0
8/20/2008		0.272	0.596	0.473	0.375	0.524	0.632	0.440	0.240	0.315	0.783	0.833					0.496	158.2
8/21/2008																		
8/22/2008		0.857	0.804	0.735	0.617	0.529	0.428	0.554	0.585	0.616	0.180	0.729					0.588	805.0
8/23/2008		0.950	0.944	0.894	0.893	0.721	0.748	0.642	0.651	0.801	0.814	0.620					0.857	677.1
8/24/2008		0.970	0.712	0.501	0.572	0.750	0.625	0.602	0.636	0.701	0.821	0.856					0.673	239.0
8/25/2008		0.680	0.693	0.527	0.427	0.402	0.374	0.465	0.601	0.670	0.648	0.349					0.526	2,329.2
8/26/2008		0.376	0.282	0.416	0.493	0.597	0.601	0.320	0.292	0.260	0.538	0.712	0.319				0.427	1,917.3
8/27/2008		0.545	0.560	0.507	0.510	0.389	0.371	0.552	0.537	0.681	0.689	0.466					0.495	900.5
8/28/2008		0.825	0.736	0.588	0.568	0.435	0.576	0.677	0.747	0.644	0.832	0.586	1.000				0.604	1,549.5
8/29/2008		0.635	0.783	0.725	0.820	0.477	0.727	0.853	0.604	0.863	0.648	0.623					0.730	210.2
8/30/2008			0.851	0.708	0.697	0.852	0.774		0.953	0.904	0.887	0.772					0.819	649.9
8/31/2008		0.545	0.514	0.369	0.380	0.543	0.718	0.640	0.500	0.476	0.548	0.479	0.086				0.509	4,989.0
9/1/2008		0.739	0.767	0.747	0.715	0.690	0.725	0.722	0.650	0.699	0.691	0.553	0.764				0.693	2,216.5
9/2/2008		0.702	0.798	0.708	0.625	0.646	0.747	0.699	0.767	0.677	0.700	0.450	0.625				0.681	1,425.9
9/3/2008		0.866	0.645	0.575	0.614	0.591	0.714	0.721	0.649	0.608	0.623	0.720	0.877				0.761	3,579,7
9/4/2008		0.832	0.720	0.700	0.592	0.671	0.695	0.632	0.615	0.563	0.680	0.509	0.200	0.443			0.595	1.968.4
9/5/2008		0.441	0.455	0.324	0.358	0.391	0.648	0.770	0.810	0.596	0.621	0.798	0.086	0.868			0.462	3.416.6
9/6/2008		0.848	0.754	0.655	0.622	0.728	0.707	0.850	0.785	0.736	0.785	0.703	0.483	0.596	0.763		0.732	695.5
9/7/2008		0.443	0.444	0.446	0.425	0.470	0.588	0.514	0.580	0.655	0.656	0.571	0.441	0.606	1.000		0.508	4.254.3
9/8/2008		0.641	0.508	0.560	0.641	0.647	0.638	0.668	0.585		0.659	0.395	0.680	0.624			0.606	966.0
9/9/2008		0.309	0.680	0.537	0.675	0.675	0.695	0.823	0.828	0.594	0.728	0.743					0.623	1.213.5
9/10/2008		0.344	0.166	0.201	0.377	0.381	0.425	0.328	0.294	0.399	0.495	0.460	0.433	0.394	0.555		0.339	6,189,1
9/11/2008		0.848	0.503	0.450	0.505	0.493	0.467	0.576	0.509	0.615	0.621	0.681	0.383	0.785	0.184		0.535	1,552,9
9/12/2008		0.829	0.511	0.602	0.509	0.449	0.730	0.654	0.729	0.871	0.666	0.812	0.807	0.995			0.725	527.0
9/13/2008		0.661	0.688	0.586	0.593	0.628	0.442	0.510	0.428	0.610	0.763	0.686	0.428	0.221	0.754		0.546	2.483.0
9/14/2008		0.653	0 768	0.601	0.686	0.817	0.599	0.674	0.664	0.895	0 712	0.680	0.566	0.637	0.296		0.664	3 388 7
9/15/2008		0.559	0 785	0 785	0 713	0 774	0 779	0.884	0 735	0.558	0.672	0.678	0.205	0 490	0.635		0.598	3 367 3
9/16/2008		0.792	0.439	0.284	0 274	0.300	0.313	0.278	0.284	0.314	0.367	0.413	0.631	0.678	0.840		0.324	12 116 9
9/17/2008		0 701	0 741	0.567	0.579	0.606	0.653	0.607	0.575	0.585	0.580	0.657	0 498	0 736	0.590		0.630	2 094 8
9/18/2008		0.701	0.569	0.315	0.209	0.135	0.000	0.205	0.280	0.297	0.324	0.294	0.373	0.347	0.499		0.000	2,004.0
9/19/2008			0.000	0.010	0.200	0.100	0.210	0.200	0.200	0.207	0.021	0.201	0.070	0.011	0.100		0.200	2,100.1
9/20/2008		0 882	0 440	0 484	0 4 1 5	0 245	0.626	0 528	0 522	0 740	0.669	0.608	0 508	0.839			0 574	169.8
9/21/2008		0.493	0.530	0.596	0.662	0.503	0.551	0.520	0.430	0.433	0.000	0.503	0.602	0.765	0 345		0.507	2 838 8
9/22/2008		0.433	0.330	0.381	0.335	0.300	0.337	0.330	0.430	0.433	0.405	0.342	0.032	0.700	0.604		0.344	10 620 4
0/23/2008		0.750	0.426	0.001	0.306	0.545	0.460	0.000	0.200	0.624	0.233	0.476	0.575	0.555	0.857		0.544	1 80/ 0
9/24/2008		0.730	0.420	0.427	0.530	0.545	0.400	0.007	0.571	0.024	0.475	0.470	0.373	0.000	0.819		0.507	1,034.3
9/24/2000		0.070	0.034	0.000	0.040	0.014	0.401	0.032	0.000	0.757	0.075	0.783	0.730	0.003	0.878		0.033	802.2
9/26/2008		1 000	0.774	0.801	0.020	0.704	0.652	0.776	0.694	0.761	0.030	0.705	0.660	0.774	1 000		0.733	9002.2
0/27/2000		0.757	0.091	0.001	0.703	0.003	0.052	0.730	0.034	0.701	0.724	0.001	0.003	0.723	0.770		0.700	1 252 7
3/21/2008		0.757	0.093	0.900	0.040	0.000	0.000	0.730	0.741	0.799	0.047	0.890	0.724	0.012	0.779		0.731	1,202.7
9/20/2000		0.430	0.003	0.921	0.990	0.590	0.903	0.923	0.200	0.912	0.030	0.000	0.703	0.930	0.090		0.040	010.0 7 /16 /
3/23/2008		0.000	0.302	0.337	0.431	0.020	0.400	0.020	0.000	0.090	0.007	0.044	0.001	0.001	0.041		0.013	1,410.4
9/30/2008		0.400	0.520	0.439	0.596	0.497	0.705	0.020	0.790	0.003	0.077	0.700	0.001	0.709	0000		0.602	1,000.0
10/1/2008		0.397	0.478	0.414	0.449	0.409	0.493	0.000	0.520	0.090	0.576	0 600	0.675				0.512	2,000.0
10/2/2008		0.300	0.404	0.209	0.403	0.510	0.490	0.020	0.570	0.011	0.570	0.000	0.075				0.519	5,419.7
10/3/2008	1	0.290	0.374	0.020	0.004	0.040	0.403	0.317	0.010	0.479							0.505	5,045.7

Table 4: Proportion of total targets that are in the zone of potential risk (50-150 m), fall 2008.
	Hours Since Sunset														Da	ily %	Total Targets		
Date	-0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.5	10.5	11.5	12.5	13.5	14.5	15.5		
10/4/2008		0.485	0.391	0.483	0.577	0.576	0.530	0.475	0.435	0.529	0.548	0.661	0.630	0.596	0.634	0.617		0.505	3,714.5
10/5/2008		0.563	0.362	0.376	0.328	0.434	0.456	0.508	0.600	0.577	0.597	0.636	0.526	0.524	0.427	0.533		0.480	5,456.8
10/6/2008		0.275	0.441	0.446	0.632	0.582	0.569	0.442	0.421	0.409	0.515	0.543	0.559	0.509	0.617	0.981		0.471	3,743.7
10/7/2008		0.652	0.331	0.300	0.241	0.311	0.416	0.437	0.455	0.343	0.387	0.524	0.364	0.578	0.685	0.785		0.366	5,502.5
10/8/2008			0.540	0.485	0.564	0.617	0.642	0.681	0.754	0.595	0.638	0.807	0.745					0.650	573.6
10/9/2008		0.643													0.356	0.266		0.528	128.5
10/10/2008		0.641	0.524	0.420	0.404	0.487	0.491	0.392	0.496	0.602	0.588	0.578	0.526	0.658	0.505	0.686		0.499	2,251.2
10/11/2008		0.498	0.436	0.318	0.396	0.326	0.378	0.238										0.333	1,518.2
10/12/2008			0.288	0.320	0.358	0.322	0.348	0.407	0.501	0.530	0.607	0.645	0.465	0.414	0.594			0.438	1,416.5
10/16/2008		0.230	0.311															0.301	291.1
10/17/2008		0.146	0.440	0.253	0.293	0.287	0.326	0.409	0.479	0.429	0.440	0.358	0.517	0.287	0.613	0.651		0.364	2,727.0
10/18/2008		0.255	0.233	0.350	0.296	0.313	0.321	0.285	0.260	0.380	0.317	0.261	0.310	0.466	0.673	0.655		0.348	1,489.3
10/19/2008		0.736	0.790	0.303	0.412	0.331	0.364	0.411	0.347	0.423	0.448	0.409	0.360	0.211	0.514	0.708		0.417	864.8
10/20/2008				0.442	0.862	0.515	0.594	0.488	0.570	0.482	0.560	0.551	0.673	0.558	0.578			0.574	124.4
10/21/2008			0.949													0.725		0.750	249.9
10/22/2008		0.305	0.104	0.899	0.487	0.506	0.474	0.377	0.404	0.405	0.400	0.414	0.401	0.482	0.585	0.547		0.454	540.6
10/23/2008		0.309	0.492	0.351	0.362	0.289	0.413	0.388	0.548	0.572	0.480	0.549	0.429	0.554	0.418	0.641		0.445	675.3
10/24/2008				0.458	0.522	0.551	0.655	0.653	0.711	0.574	0.405	0.528	0.472	0.318	0.943	0.245		0.552	620.8
10/25/2008		0.849	0.460															0.672	6.1
10/26/2008				0.720	0.617	0.665	0.581	0.535	0.635	0.727	0.519	0.692	0.569		0.970	0.700		0.624	251.4
10/27/2008			0.509		0.874	0.495	0.596	0.241	0.613	0.628	0.525	0.546	0.479	0.518	0.331	0.418	0.548	0.536	369.9
10/28/2008				0.363	0.450	0.525	0.419	0.453	0.453	0.565	0.539	0.483	0.484	0.718	0.966	0.793	0.851	0.498	1,386.7
10/29/2008		0.262	0.414															0.362	143.3
10/30/2008				0.508	0.434	0.543	0.477	0.448	0.476	0.356	0.454	0.614	0.593	0.499	0.447	0.431	0.811	0.481	1,361.8
Total																			160,649.0

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GMT (EST + 5 h): 16 - 17 Oct 2008









