# What are the effective approaches to project siting?

Guidelines for Environmental Impact, Noise, Airspace, Telecommuncation Interference

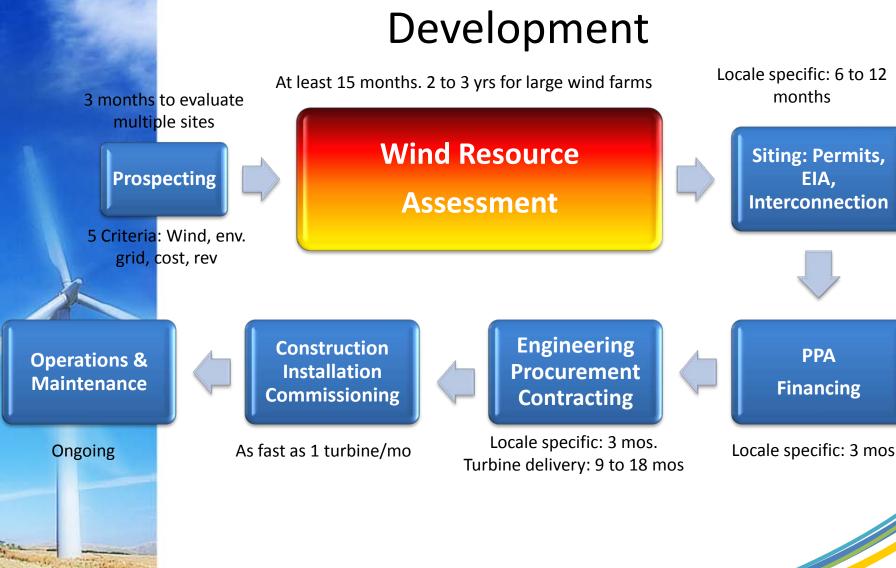
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## Process of Wind Project Development





### Siting: Permitting, EIA, Interconnection

- Environmental ImpactAssessment
  - Wildlife: Migratory birds & bats, local birds & bats and terrestrial wildlife
  - Water resources and wetlands
  - Neighboring communities:
     Noise, shadow flicker,
     viewshed
- Permits
  - Power producer
  - Construction & Transportation
  - Zoning
  - Environmental

- Others:
  - Long-range radar interference
  - Telecommunications interference
  - Obstruction to aviation
- Interconnection
  - Agreement to connect to the grid
  - Agreement on the quality of power



#### Siting Considerations

- Policies on Environmental Impact Assessments:
  - Wildlife
  - Birds
  - Vegetation
  - Wetlands
  - Culturally sensitive areas
  - Neighboring communities: Noise, shadow flicker, viewshed
- Guidance on setbacks from wind projects:
  - Residential areas
  - Business areas
  - Public roads
  - Water bodies
  - Recreational areas
  - Property boundary



#### Siting Considerations

- Policies on Obstruction to airspace
- Policies on electromagnetic interference:
  - TV/radio channels
  - Defense and homeland security radars
  - Microwave signals
- Policies for land ownership
  - Requirements for construction permits:
    - Policies on wind rights (mineral rights)
    - Storm water drains
    - Safety practices



#### Recommendations

- Published siting guidelines are key to minimizing risk
  - Country specific
  - Funded by government, multi-lateral agencies, wind energy association
- Permits
  - In order to reduce risks to investors, there need to a fixed list of permits
  - Nodal agency that can manage all permits for wind projects