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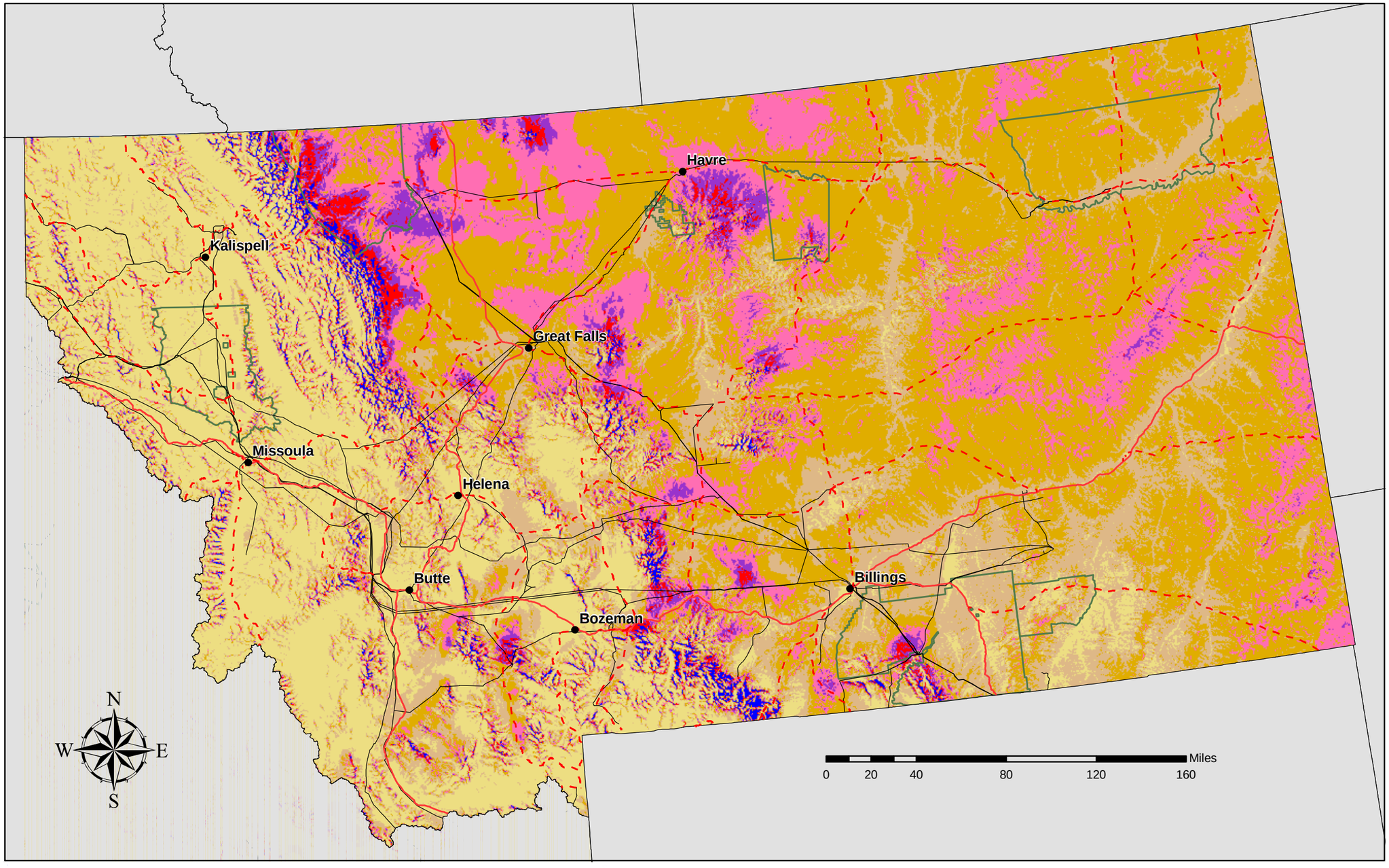
Montana Wind Power Resources



	Wind Power Class	Resource Potential	Wind Speed at 50 m (mph)
	Class 1	Poor	0 - 12.5
	Class 2	Marginal	12.5 - 14.3
	Class 3	Fair	14.3 - 15.7
	Class 4	Good	15.7 - 16.8
	Class 5	Excellent	16.8 - 17.9
	Class 6	Outstanding	17.9 - 19.7
	Class 7	Superb	> 19.7

- Major Cities
- Transmission Lines > 115 KW
- Limited Access Highway
- Highway
- Tribal Reservations

The wind resource estimates presented on this map were developed by TrueWind Solutions using MesoMap, a mesoscale atmospheric simulation system, at a spatial grid resolution of 400 meters (one-quarter mile). The estimates have been validated by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and independent meteorologist but should be confirmed by direct measurement according to wind energy industry standards.

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