



## BRIE L. ANDERSON

### Professional Experience

Apex Clean Energy, Minneapolis, MN

*Senior Director of Permitting - Jan 2025 - Present*

*Senior Permitting Manager/Director of Permitting - 2021 - 2024*

Responsible for leading discretionary permitting of wind, solar, and transmission projects across the national portfolio. Leads project teams through the discretionary permitting process to ensure land use permit applications comply with all applicable ordinances and requirements for utility scale wind and solar energy projects. Coordinates and collaborates closely with various internal (e.g., legal, financing, development, environmental, land, engineering, construction) and external (e.g., outside counsel; sound/noise, shadow flicker, wildlife, property values, and economics) subject matter expert teams to ensure discretionary permitting requirements are met. Provides expert witness testimony as part of land-use permit meetings and hearings.

Merjent, Inc, Minneapolis, MN

*Senior Project Manager - 2014 - 2021*

Senior Project Manager for a leading environmental consulting firm. Managed and led the permit strategy and development of utility-scale wind and solar and associated gen-tie transmission lines throughout the country. Provided federal, state, and local permitting support for renewable energy projects; and provided expert witness testimony on behalf of clients on the environmental analyses included in permit applications.

URS Corporation, Minneapolis, MN

*Senior Environmental Scientist - 2013 - 2014*

Senior Environmental Scientist providing permitting support to various energy industries including utility-scale wind, electric transmission, and oil and gas. Worked with project teams to obtain federal, state, and local permits; specializing in threatened and endangered species evaluations and agency consultation. Conducted natural resource inventories and monitoring; and performed analysis and maintained and mapped spatial data utilizing Geographic Information Systems (GIS).

Westwood Professional Services, Eden Prairie, MN

*Avian Field Ecologist/Environmental Scientist/GIS Specialist - 2008 - 2013*

Assessed the effects of proposed transmission, wind, and solar development on natural resources such as public lands and waters; cultural resources; native plant communities and sites of biodiversity significance; and federal and state threatened and endangered species and their habitats. Authored technical environmental reports related to the siting of transmission, wind, and solar

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projects. Prepared recommendations for avoiding/mitigating impacts to natural resources based on field studies, agency coordination, and background research. Demonstrated intimate knowledge of the USFWS Land-Based Wind Energy Guidelines framework, from desktop landscape level analyses to project-specific field studies. Designed and conducted avian field studies throughout the country.

### **Education**

St. Mary's University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN  
M.S., Geographical Information Systems for Natural Resources, 2015

St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, MN  
B.S., Ecology and Field Biology, 2006