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**Subject:** Proposed Wind Power Project

We are writing to voice our objection to the proposed Bear River and Monument Ridge wind power construction for the following reasons:

1. The wind turbines would be built in a very scenic place, causing great environmental damage. We would prefer building them by the power plant near Eureka. Off shore wind generators have the best likelihood of getting enough wind and the power plant location is pretty close to ocean wind and pretty ugly. Put the turbines where they don't destroy the natural beauty of an area. We are not in favor of off-shore wind farms either because of the fishing industry. This would be the next best location.
2. We are concerned about the roads to the sites, the transmission lines and the hook-up to the Gridville power substation with the power lines traversing more beautiful country.
3. We are concerned about the bird and bat populations.
4. Last year there were areas of "wind-drought" where there was less than predicted wind. What will happen in the future with climate change? We have driven by the wind farms and have seen very few turbines turning. We understand that it is due to not enough wind or to not enough carrying capacity for the electrical lines. The ugly turbines are still there whether they are needed or not.
5. There is concern that wind turbines will interfere with radar, and with radio transmissions. There is noise involved which would be a factor for any nearby homes and or wildlife.
6. Government subsidies to wind generation projects amounts to between 1.3 cents to 5.7 cents per kWh, 50 times as much as traditional sources. This is an additional cost to taxpayers.

For all of the above environmental and tax reasons, we would like to register our objection to this current proposal. I would very much prefer solar power. There are a lot of building tops that could have solar panels and it would not interfere with the natural beauty of Humboldt County.

Sincerely,  
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