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Thanks,



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Dear Project Planner,

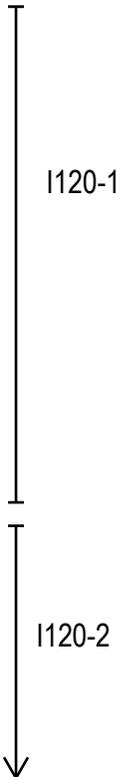
Dear Planning Director Ford,

I am very concerned about the proposed wind project from Humboldt Wind, LLC. The project construction and operation is environmentally destructive and the electricity it will produce is far from sufficient to compensate for the Carbon output that will result. The cement bases use a huge amount of cement that will be a permanent fixture on the ridges long after the turbines are retired. The turbines use 24,000 gallons of oil a year, The 17 miles of a 200 foot wide road and the 25 miles that will be cleared for the transmission of electricity will need regular herbicide application as well as 900 acres of logging. This project is an environmental negative.

While climate change is a serious threat to Humboldt County, poorly sited and developed wind projects can cause drastic environmental impacts. As the DEIR makes clear, the project is likely to result in death of numerous special-status species, such as the marbled murrelet, and may cause population-level impacts to once-numerous species, such as the hoary bat.

In turn, the DEIR fails to take adequate measures to avoid, minimize, and compensate for these significant impacts. The DEIR must be revised to incorporate additional mitigation measures to reduce impacts below a level of significance.

These include, among other things, proper siting of wind turbines to avoid impacts, operational curtailments during high-risk periods, and incorporation of deterrence technologies. These project



changes are reasonable, having been adopted at other wind projects elsewhere in California and the United States, and would reduce impacts to wildlife. Furthermore, the County needs to insist on a robust and meaningful adaptive management program to continue to monitor and minimize impacts throughout the life of the project.



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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this very important matter.

Sincerely,

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