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My extended family has lived in around the area of the wind project from Humboldt Wind, LLC. working as ranchers, loggers, and local residents. I am an environmentalists and believe in the interest in developing clean energy. However, when clean energy projects are poorly sited, they can have tremendous negative local impacts. We then only repeat our poor choices in fossil fuel extraction.

As outlined in the Environmental Impact Report, the project is likely to adverse effects on an number of threatened or otherwise protected species in the area including the marbled murrelet.

I believe the DEIR should recommend additional measures to avoid or minimize impacts wherever possible. It should also recommend compensation for impacts to local residents and mitigation projects to deal with wildlife impacts.

I, along with others in the area encourage the EIR to include proper siting of wind turbines to avoid impacts, operational curtailments during high-risk periods, and incorporation of deterrence technologies. These changes could have significantly improve the project and reduce negative local impacts. If the project is approved, 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.

Thank you for considering my comments and continued community engagement on the process.

Best,
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