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December 20, 2012

Tom Williams  
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Re: Buckeye II Wind Farm  
Case No. 12-0160-EL-BGN

Mr. Williams,

Thank you for your input regarding the proposed Buckeye II Wind Farm. I have docketed your letter in the public comments section of the record in case number 12-0160-EL-BGN.

Ohio law establishes a minimum "setback" of wind turbines from habitable residences and property lines (Ohio Revised Code 4906-20). Turbines must be located at least 750 feet from the tip of the turbine's nearest blade to the exterior of the nearest residential structure located on adjacent property at the time of the application. Additionally, turbines must be located at least 1.1 times the total height of the turbine, from its base to the top of the blade at its highest point, from the wind facility's property line.

To view all activity pertaining to this case, siting application, and/or rules governing the installation and operation of wind energy in Ohio, visit the Ohio Power Siting Board's website at [www.OPSB.ohio.gov](http://www.OPSB.ohio.gov). I have attached an Ohio Wind Power FAQ for your study.

Again, the Board thanks you for your interest.

Sincerely,



Todd A. Snitchler, Chairman  
Ohio Power Siting Board

Enclosure

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## Ohio Wind Power FAQ

### Who oversees wind power development in the state of Ohio?

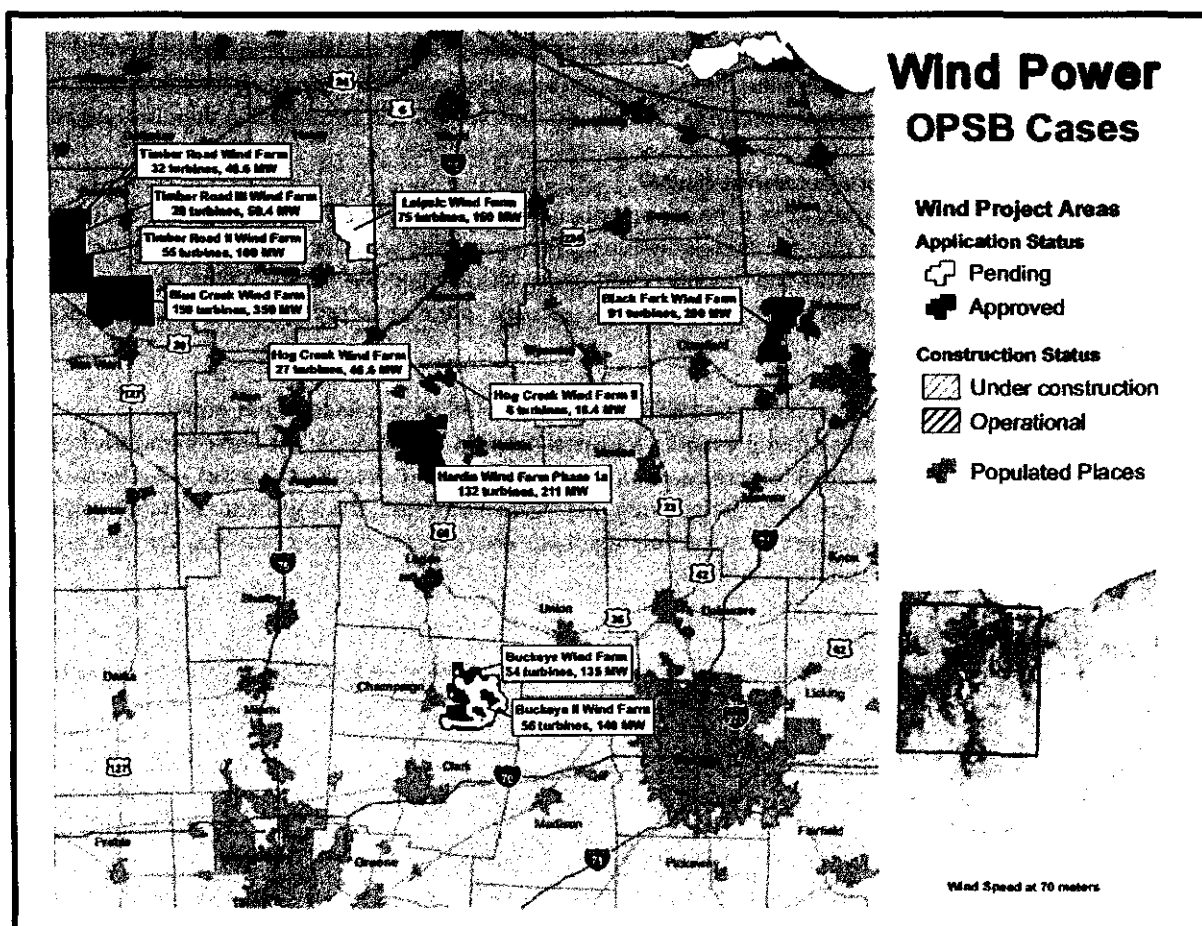
The Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) regulates major utilities facilities and economically significant wind farms (greater than 5 megawatts). The Board reviews each application for a Certification of Compatibility and Public Need by gathering information from stakeholders and conducting an independent review before making its decision on the application.

### What is the status of wind power development in Ohio?

Since 2008, wind power developers in the state have actively moved several wind farm projects forward. Two projects are operational, the Blue Creek Wind Farm in Van Wert and Paulding counties and the Timber Road project in Paulding County. The two projects consist of 222 total turbines, with a combined generating capacity of 449 megawatts of electricity.

Additionally, several projects have received certification from the OPSB and are awaiting construction. These projects include Buckeye Wind I in Champaign County, Hog Creek and Hardin Wind in Hardin County, and Black Fork wind farm in Crawford and Richland counties.

Buckeye II Wind in Champaign County is currently in the midst of the siting process.



**Irwin, Steven**

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**From:** tom williams <mot44.99@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 18, 2012 10:21 PM  
**To:** ContactOPSB  
**Subject:** OPPOSE the 12-0160-EL-BGN: Buckeye II Wind Farm, Champaign County

Dear Siting Board Members and Chairman Mr. Todd Snitchler,

As a landowner in Champaign County Ohio, a non-participating land owner in the target area I'm writing you to let you know my personal opinion and hope you'll reject Buckeye phase two Wind Farm submission to install more wind mills in this mixed use residential area. I believe these will have negative impacts to the life, including but not limited to; property values, limit future development and land use (as these land use studies only take into consideration current land use), setback distances.

I've been requested to surrender established setback distances along with other neighbor landowners so a windmill could be placed on property only ~660' wide. I believe placing a windmill on a 660' wide property is too close to two separate neighbor properties.

I purchased this land for recreational use and to build my dream house or retirement home but have placed all these plans on hold because of these windmills planned in phase 1. I hope you'll review the local residence position and vote and oppose and reject Buckeye Phase two Wind Farm application.

Thank you,

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