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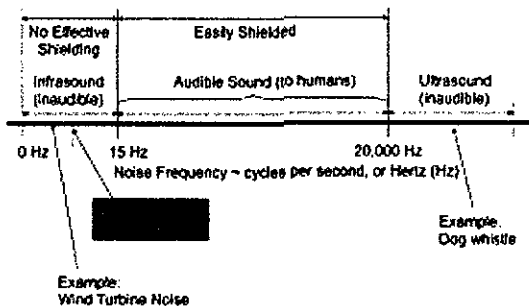
Dear Board Members,

As a Huron county, Sherman Township constituent, I am opposed to the Emerson Creek Wind Farm Project.

More and more people living nearby, blame wind turbines for a variety of health problems. The symptoms vary but include sleep deprivation, anxiety, depression and increased blood pressure.

Recently published peer reviewed comprehensive information prepared by medical doctors, pathologists and engineers strongly warn of major physiological consequences of living too close to industrial wind turbines. These have been classified into two categories according to two different phenomena associated with wind turbine noise. One is Wind Turbine Syndrome (WTS), Reference (1), which produces several symptoms related to the vestibular system's (balance) organs: disturbed sleep, headaches, tinnitus (ear ringing), and sense of quivering or vibration, nervousness, rapid heartbeat, nausea, difficulty with concentration, memory loss, irritability and anger. The other is Vibroacoustic Disease (VAD), Reference (2), which causes direct tissue or organ damage. WTS symptoms discontinue when the person moves away from the source; however, VAD symptoms continue long after the source of infrasound is turned off. Both WTS and VAD can be very harmful and debilitating and possibly deadly.

Noise Components



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Components of noise, from low frequency to ultrasound

Wind turbine noise is comprised of two different frequency sets. The so-called whooshing noise (which is audible) is at approximately 300 Hz. Infrasound (which is inaudible) occurs at frequencies from 0 to 15 Hz (see enclosed diagram). WTS is caused by the former and the latter; VAD is caused by the latter.

Other problems with wind turbines are the dropping of land value. This has been shown by the 20-40% value drop in land value in Van Wert community, in Ohio.

The landscape of Huron County will be damaged severely. I did not move to my home to be infringed on by large unsightly structures ruining my view of the scenic settings.

I have an bald eagles nest just one mile from my home and I am afraid of the detrimental effects of those large wind turbines. The needed bats and birds will be destroyed. All wildlife will be driven from my home, if they install the wind turbines.

Current Ohio law requires a turbine setback to be measured from a property line. Right now the Wind Industry is lobbying in our Ohio legislature to change the law to allow the setback to be determined from the nearest residence. From my front door! The wind turbines will be the largest kind built, 650 feet tall. 200 feet taller than any other wind turbine built. The set back should be even further out than what Ohio has in law to date. The safety zone will impact my ability to do any development on my own land.

All of these facts can be found online.

Please stop this infringement on our livelihood.

Case # 18-1607-EL-BGN: Emerson Creek Wind Farm,

Sincerely,

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Dear Sir:

1. Wind
To EMERSON CREEK FARM

I am writing you about the wind turbines in our area. We have a farm 8 of mile east of the outlined area. We sign up as a friend of Apex. Last winter wife and I went to a meeting in Bellevue and later one in Norwalk, O.

We noticed the meeting in Bellevue had several people living in the town of Athens. I'm sure there were people from other cities there also at the meetings. We don't try to run their city.

~~Across~~ of the people against this project ~~are~~ ones that own 1/2 to 1 1/2 acres of land. They move in thinking they can ride their horses, 4-wheelers and snowmobiles on our land. We gather up their trash out of our fields. My tenant farmer doesn't plant corn near Willard, O.

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because kids make huts in the corn. He got tired of gathering all the junk they carried in corn to make their huts. I have had these problems since 1965.

They worry about scenic setting and property values. Some of these people could clean up their own property by not parking their campers, boats, snowmobiles and dirt bikes in front yard. In back they have all kinds of sheds and junk.

At the nowalk meeting they were very rude to the commissioners. The one in charge of the meeting told them not to cuss or yell to speed up a 2 hr. meeting. They didn't listen and he said a couple times to be quiet or this meeting is over. 2 or 3 kept yelling until a sheriff made a couple steps towards

them, they shut up.

My Tenant farmer and wife went to Van Wert to talk to people and noticed very little whisp of noise. Tests show no bat problem. Flickers What about Christmas lites inside and out? Strob lites? That's ok. I get flickers every time a Car or Truck goes by at nite. and day. I've yet to here anyone complain about the high Telephone, Computer. and other Towers.

Nothing lasts forever is a Concern about wind. If they run 5 or 6 days a week it's a plus on the green side. I worked on building Davis Bessie power plant not knowing I could help destroy all of northern Ohio if a disaster happened. They are on the 2nd reactor. Their top base went way down last year. Could it be the

plant is about wore out? It takes lots of water to keep the reactor cool. There are 4-30"-36" pipes, one in each corner with 1 9,000 HP motor on each pump. I was told this while I worked around them, that's 36,000 HP to pump water.

Where is the spent fuel going and how long are the containers with spent fuel in them going to last? Do we need this risk to have electric? More birds get killed along roads. Bird lovers got a law passed in Columbus not to mow roads early. Now thrushes go to seed.

I'm not in favor of these people telling us what to do. Our County is always one of the highest unemployed in Ohio. Please do not listen to these sick worry warts. I urge you to vote yes on this project.

Yours Truly,

Robert E. Shade
Carol A. Shade

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Wind Farm