

Attachment 10: Summary of Letters Received During the Planning Commission Hearings

Commenter	Dated	Main issues
American Bird Conservancy – Joel Merriman	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opposes project for potential impacts to birds, including protected birds. • Questions the method by which marbled murrelet death estimates were calculated for FEIR. Proposes new calculation methodology through collaboration with CDFW and USFWS. Asks to curtail turbines during known activity periods. • Questions the efficacy of mitigation measures for murrelet deaths from collisions. Proposes revised mortality mitigation plan in collaboration with CDFW and USFWS. • Questions efficacy of post-construction mortality monitoring plan. Proposes revised monitoring plan in collaboration with CDFW and USFWS. • States that data used on northern spotted owls in the DEIR was inadequate. Requests two years of surveys. Gen-tie will cut through habitat; impact not addressed in FEIR. Proposes that power lines be buried, mortality rates estimated, a revised NSO mitigation plan developed, and suitable habitat for mitigating habitat loss be provided. • Believes that the estimates of raptor deaths are based on insufficient data. Proposes new survey protocol, the use of a curtailment system, and removal of turbines from the ridge.
California North Coast Chapter, The Wildlife Society – Genevieve Rozhon, president	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finds FEIR conclusions unchanged from the DEIR; project still results in significant unavoidable impacts to marbled murrelets, raptors, bats. • States that mitigation measures in the FEIR are inadequate. • Believes that due to its substantial new or revised content, the FEIR should be recirculated as a DEIR. • Questions the abbreviated review period for the FEIR. • Lists concerns that are not adequately addressed in FEIR: Impacts on MAMU, raptors, bats, migratory birds, construction noise impacts. • Requests additional mitigation and monitoring efforts.
California Native Plant Society – handwritten note from Joan Tippetts	No date shown	States that the FEIR did not include their June 14 letter, so the Society believes the FEIR is incomplete and is being rushed without consideration of all public input.

CDFW – Jennifer Olson, environmental scientist	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acknowledges changes to project re minimizing impacts to wildlife, but concerns remain re potentially significant impacts, lack of monitoring of the impacts, and feasible mitigations not included in the FEIR. • Recommends that County consider: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minimum five-year operational mortality monitoring plan approved by CDFW before project start that covers bats and birds, including raptors. 2. Establishing TAC for songbirds and raptors in addition to bat TAC. 3. A Natural Communities Conservation Plan if project cannot avoid take of protected raptor species. 4. Higher turbine cut-in speed. 5. Lower bat mortality threshold for triggering operational adaptive management. 6. Precise targeted curtailment during MAMU peak breeding and transit period.
City of Rio Dell – Debra Garnes, mayor	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repeats concerns of June 5 letter regarding impacts of project to the area’s aesthetics, particularly landscapes and views, and impact on private property values, wildlife, traffic, erosion. • Expresses disappointment that City was not included in the FEIR as required by Section 15097 of CEQA Guidelines. Refers to the agreement between the County and AECOM as requiring this. • States that there is no sign of the HCP and EIS that AECOM had stated were required. • Questions the release of the FEIR on Nov. 4 and the holding of the PC hearing on Nov. 7 given the size of the FEIR. Believes this shows the project is being fast-tracked for big business. • Cites Section 312-17 of Humboldt County Zoning Regulations re a proposed development must not be detrimental. • States that project will impair agricultural use of properties and inhibit the growing and harvesting of timber.
Defenders of Wildlife – Joy Page, director, Renewable Energy & Wildlife	11-4-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refers to FEIR Impact 3.5-18 and Mitigation Measures 3.15-18a-e. • Notes that migratory bat species such as hoary bat are most at risk of death by turbines. • Believes project can be built and operated as described in FEIR and notes Terra-Gen’s record of environmental responsibility.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praises FEIR mitigation plan for hoary bats but the acknowledged high risk requires an adaptive management program if high fatality levels occur. • Believes Measures 3.15-18a-e provide important framework. Acoustic deterrents not yet proven to work in County’s coniferous and deciduous woodlands, so TAC should develop targeted curtailment regime for highest risk times for hoary bats.
Economic & Planning Systems, Inc.	11-20-2019	<p>Provides feasibility analysis under three other mitigation scenarios:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtailment of wind turbine operation for marbled murrelet. • Investment in and maintenance of an IdentiFlight system (aerial detection technology). • Investment in a radar detection system (aircraft detection). • Project is marginally feasible; measures render project infeasible.
Environmental Protection Information Center (EPIC) – Tom Wheeler, executive director and staff attorney; Northcoast Environmental Center – Larry Glass, executive director	11-13-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that FEIR does not avoid, minimize, and mitigate impacts to the maximum extent feasible. • States that the concerns expressed in their Sept. 12 letter were not meaningfully addressed in FEIR. • Proposed mitigations for hoary bats better in FEIR than DEIR, but still fall short of legal requirements. The FEIR limits curtailment requirements and the discretion of the TAC. • Disputes FEIR conclusion that programs like IdentiFlight are infeasible; believes that FEIR evidence does not support this. • Suggests inclusion of a Natural Community Conservation Plan to comply with California’s “Fully Protected Species” laws. • States that FEIR contradicts DEIR re presence of horned larks on Bear River Ridge. Applicant must test to confirm or obtain necessary permits. Requests TAC for all passerine birds. • Believes that mitigation measures for murrelets not sufficient. Add curtailment and a TAC or HCP through US Fish and Wildlife. • States that in CA wildlife is a public trust resource that must be protected over time; cites supporting case law. County must continue to monitor project impacts and utilize new mitigation measures as they are developed.
Friends of the Eel River – Scott Greacen, conservation director	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes project impacts must be further mitigated, especially for bats, raptors, birds, wildfire risk in gen-tie, and use of herbicides.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports mitigations proposed by EPIC in their Sept. 19, 2019 letter re additional mitigation measures for hoary bats, raptors, horned larks, marbled murrelets, and northern spotted owls. • Requests that the last two miles of gen-tie line be underground. • Asks the PC to bar use of herbicides within 500 horizontal feet of any Class I or Class II stream course.
Students in the Environment and Community M.A. in Social Science graduate program at Humboldt State Univ.	11-20-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the position of the Wiyot Tribe in opposing the project. • Note that the FEIR confirms significant and unavoidable impacts; ask that turbines not be placed on Bear River Ridge. • State that it would be a desecration of the ridge. • State that the project is a clear endorsement of the ongoing theft and colonization of Indigenous lands.
Lost Coast League – Ellen Taylor, president	11-7-2019?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes that Terra-Gen is a subsidiary of Energy Capital Partners. • States that Energy Capital Partners' other subsidiaries mine Bakken shale; build oil terminals, pipelines, offshore platforms in Alaska; and engage in fracking. • Suggests building bike trails, bus lines, car pools, and solar instead. • Includes previously submitted letter dated June 6, 2019.
Monument Mountain Vineyards – Carol Hoopes, owner	11-7-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports that traffic has increased along Monument Road; asks how conditional use and special permits have allowed work to start and whether the County is monitoring construction. • Asks if the \$2-\$2.5M the County will receive from the project are property tax dollars and if they are based on an increase in Humboldt Redwood and/or Russ Ranch property values. • Asks if a power generated tax will be placed on Humboldt residents if RCEA can negotiate a PPA with Terr-Gen, and whether residents would approve by vote a utility tax increase. • Includes previously submitted letter dated August 28, 2018.
Mark R. Wolfe & Associates, PC – Mark R. Wolfe on behalf of Carol Hoopes and Monument Mountain Vineyards	11-14-2019	(Please see the separate file that contains summaries of the comments in the letter.)

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board – Justin McSmith, water resource control engineer	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quotes revised DEIR text regarding the use of water from the Scotia log pond; states that the 2012 permit provides no authorization for the use of untreated industrial process water for project uses and actually prohibits the proposed uses of the water by the project due to the presence and potential discharge of chromium, zinc, and chlorine into soil and groundwater. • States that recycled water use must first be treated and then properly permitted and monitored for impacts to surface and groundwater.
Percy Fire Protection District – Jeffrey Hedin, commissioner	11-14-2019	(This is a personal communication that does not represent the Percy Fire Protection District.)
Matthew Marshall – Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA)	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that if RCEA is to pay for increased environmental mitigation, the power purchase agreement must be changed (prefers not to do that at this late stage). • Suggests that if the new price is significantly higher, Terra-Gen should cover the increase.
Redwood Region Audubon Society – Hal Genger, president	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that Terra-Gen deems seasonal curtailment to reduce bat take not economically feasible. • States that the raptor survey of one hour a month except for the months October–April is insufficient to support the FEIR conclusion of no negative impact (because raptors are mostly present in the winter). • States that the FEIR does not commit Terra-Gen to verify takes with scent dogs, but this is the only method that will determine accurate take. • Has little trust in Terra-Gen to commit to mitigation given that the company will not curtail operations to reduce impacts on sensitive species due to financial concerns. • States that the FEIR does not address the project’s contribution to the significant decline in bird populations occurring since 1970.
Russ Ranch & Timber Company – Jay Russ and Lane Russ	1-13-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Express surprise at Adam Cantor of Wiyot Tribe’s statement that Bear River Ridge was likely used as a high prayer spot by the Wiyot. The Russ family have been stewards of the area for 120+ years but have never been contacted by the Wiyot Tribe. • States that historical literature suggests that the Bear River Tribe, Athabaskan, controlled the Bear River Ridge area.
Sanctuary Forest - Stuart Moskowitz	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expresses concern about the project limiting Sanctuary Forest personnel’s access to Luna Conservation Easement, which is close to the gen-tie and Jordan Creek access road.

Scotia Community Services District (CSD) – Margaret Long, attorney	11-7-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the responses to Scotia CSD's comments on the DEIR did not address the NPDES permit requirements and are therefore significantly insufficient. • States that the above-river crossing of Eel River has not been adequately addressed because of potential impact on Scotia CSD river water intake. • Believes that co-gen cooling tower water is unsafe for road watering or construction because of its contaminates. • Expresses concern over lack of time given for public review of the FEIR. CSD is a public review location but did not receive the FEIR until Nov. 6, two days after it was posted on the County web site.
Siskiyou Land Conservancy – Ken Miller	11-12-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that healthy forests are the best fire prevention, but the turbines will dry them out. • Cites case law to support statement that approving the project would be a violation of the General Welfare Standard. • States that Stantec is an energy company like Terra-Gen and their wildlife biologists promote Stantec's goals. • Questions FEIR statement that sea surveys of marbled murrelets would not inform the micro-siting of turbines to avoid murrelets. • Disputes EIR statement that corvid control in parks is effective mitigation. States that Luginbuhl et al 2001 and Marzluff and Neatherlin 2006 report that actually non-corvid predators cause 50% of MAMU predation. • States the FEIR dismisses research findings that wind farms cause hydro-meteorological effects downwind, including warming. • Advocates the implementation of solar energy solutions.
Siskiyou Land Conservancy – Greg King, executive director	11-13-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expresses concern over project potential impacts and states that wind turbines "are infamous" for spontaneous combustion. • States that Terra-Gen was downgraded from B to B- by Standard & Poors Global Ratings service.
Siskiyou Land Conservancy – Ken Miller	11-19-2019	Includes many of the discussion points in the 11-12-2019 letter/statement.
Ellen C. Zanzi	11-14-2019	(This is a personal communication.)
Town of Scotia Company, LLC - Frank Shaw Bacik, president and director of Legal Affairs	11-11-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests resolution of inconsistency between the agenda for the Nov. 14, 2019 Planning Commission meeting and a memo from John Ford regarding that meeting. • Believes that the memo presupposes project approval.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that John Ford admitted he had no financials from applicant, which the Town believes compromises the believability of arguments that mitigation measures are infeasible. • States that due process rights of property owners affected by the project are being violated by presenting the Commission with only approving resolutions. • Asks what actions will happen during Nov. 14 meeting and during the Nov. 21 meeting.
Wiyot Tribe – Adam N. Cantor, tribal biologist	11-14-2019	<p>Asks the Commission to not approve FEIR.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States concern that the FEIR does not include a financial viability statement and a Decommissioning Bond and Plan, and does not mention the duration of the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). • Believes heavy winds at site will increase cost of maintenance. • States that Bear River Ridge would be an ideal grassland site for use in the cap and trade market. • States that summer fog vis a vis redwood role in climate stability has not been evaluated in FEIR. • States that impacts and concerns are not adequately addressed or are dismissed in the FEIR without "substantial evidence or reasonable analysis." • Disputes FEIR claim that DEIR is based on substantial evidence re grassland. • States that FEIR is erroneous because it does not report the finding of a previously-unfound site by Stantec. • Believes the finding of a significant site not found before shows incompetence of the applicant.
Wiyot Tribe – Adam N. Cantor, tribal biologist	11-15-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email communication asking if he can still submit comments and photos relevant to the 11-14 meeting. • Mentions "disrespecting words of Commissioner Robert Morris toward Wiyot elder Cheryl Seidner." • Mentions many issues in FEIR that concern the Tribe or seem inadequately addressed.
Wiyot Tribe - Ted Hernandez, Wiyot Tribal Chair	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the significant new information requires the recirculation of the DEIR, and that the responses to the Tribe's comments are inadequate in the FEIR. • FEIR does not address findings re archaeological site P-12-003314.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expresses concern over FEIR conclusion re noxious weeds. • Concerned that "Mitigation Measure 3 .6-1 b "(Preserve Resources in Place)" is no longer feasible and therefore excavation will take place. • States that responses to the Tribe's comments on the Draft EIR are cursory, conclusive, and incomplete. • Believes the FEIR is structured to make alternatives less attractive. • Refers to legal environment of protection for tribal interests and so the SOC must include an express written determination that the project's benefits outweigh the harm to the Wiyot Tribe's cultural resources and the environment on which it depends.
Wiyot Tribe – Adam N. Cantor, tribal biologist	10-11-2019	Reiterates Wiyot Tribe comments on findings from the cultural resources Phase 1 inventory and the botanical inventory for the Humboldt wind energy project.
Yurok Tribe - Rosie M. Clayburn, Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expresses considerable concerns about the 11.21.19 Staff Report. States that responses are either woefully inadequate, or missing altogether. • States that FEIR fails to provide adequate mitigation measures to avoid the significant harms to Wiyot cultural resources, cultural landscapes, and the California condor, in violation of CEQA. • States that staff report ignores and fails to address three specific comments submitted by the Yurok Tribe related to the Northern California Condor Reintroduction Project. • Questions whether Terra-Gen or Humboldt County propose to provide the additional 10 years of condor monitoring, trapping, and tracking required to maintain geo-fence effectiveness for the extra 10-year time-frame. • Believes collision risk estimates to be guesses. • Wants to know what will be done if project proves to be more harmful than expected.
Yurok Tribe - Joseph L. James, Chairperson	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes that while mitigation measures allow for 100 - 200 plants to be salvaged and moved to a different location, that is not enough plants to ensure the needs of the Wiyot people and requires the removal of these plants from their ecosystem. Also notes that the mitigation measures do not allow for access for plant harvesting purposes. • Expresses concern that the reintroduction of condors without any federal ESA 10(j) designation - and hence would have full protection under the ESA - it seems

		<p>inappropriate for the Humboldt Wind Energy Project's FEIR to indicate that conservation action would be unnecessary due to such a designation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes that the project has no alternative actions proposed in case a condor reintroduction moves forward without a 10(j) designation and the birds having full protection under the ESA. • Questions who will tag condors in the future.
<p>Note that the file labeled 1. Evelyn Reyonds_Miller_Keith_Eviron_Res_Lett.pdf is a copy of the Ted Weller email (see below) and the letter from Justin McSmith of the North Coast Reg. Water Quality Control Board that was summarized above.</p>		
Ted Weller	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that because surveys on hoary bats have been performed in Humboldt Redwoods State Park for years, and also silver-haired and western red bats have been identified and studied in the park, there is abundant information for the developer to make decisions about avoiding wildlife impacts. • States that the project has compiled a limited acoustic-only dataset that is inconsistent with pre-existing information from the area. • Suggests that the FEIR is not using the best available science and that the strategies are not conservative enough given the project's proximity to a known hoary bat aggregation site. • States that most-studied minimization strategy for bats is to curtail turbines during periods of low wind speeds. • States that some studies suggest that fatalities of some bat species are higher at turbines using deterrents. • Believes that a fatality monitoring program must be robust and include a targeted number of fatalities, agreed upon by all parties, that could trigger minimization activities. The program should include the recording of weather conditions for more precise results.
Ben Shepherd	11-20-2019	Objects to project for aesthetic and environmental reasons
Angelina Lasko via email	11-21-2019	Asks "why wouldn't we decouple at the Bridgeville substation?"
Geneva Thompson – Yurok Tribe	11-21-2019	<p>Includes letters dated 11-14 and 11-21. 11-21 letter states:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11-21-19 staff report fails to address comments. • Rooftop solar projects would be much less harmful. • Objects to report's reference to Bear River Ridge as a <u>former</u> high prayer spot ("to have been"). • Requests recirculation of DEIR.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff report ignores concerns over California condor impacts and effectiveness of geo-fence. Will IdentiFlight be used or not? • Report makes unsound assumptions to dismiss risks. No peer review of murrelet collision assessment.
Joseph M. Szewczak, professor	11-25-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed acoustic deterrent technology. • Humboldt redwoods are the only know mass swarming site for hoary bats. May qualify as World Heritage site. • Preconstruction bat monitoring inadequate; requests additional study to assess whether swarming bats would come in contact with turbines. • Another solution would be a demand sensitive curtailment system.
Daniel C. Barton, PhD	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disputes applicant's claim of the most rigorous mitigations; refers to seasonal curtailment for marbled murrelets required of Skookumchuck wind project. • Disputes applicant claim of reduced petroleum fuel risk in Humboldt Bay; provides data. • Questions applicant's conflicting statements that siting on Bear River Ridge was stakeholder-driven and that Bear River Ridge was selected because turbines could not be delivered to other ridges.
Dorothy Simmons Dinsmore	11-21-2019	Supports project.
Jack Kinnear	11-22-2019	Thanks PC for saying no to the project.
Jesse Noell	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disputes M. Winkler's statements regarding the cost of producing solar energy instead of the project's wind energy. • States that Terra-Gen's 17-14% electrical power losses impact the environment yet RCEA has not tried to mitigate the heat releases. • States that risk of wildfire impacts on environment not evaluated and public does not know how much heat and carbon equivalents could be released.
Judy Haggard	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks whether Terra-Gen would retrofit the turbines if future designs are made safer for birds, bats, other wildlife. • Notes that neither DEIR nor FEIR discuss potential impacts on insect species but the topic should be addressed.
Kit Mann and Rebecca	11-21-2019	Supports PC recommendation to certify the FEIR as adequate and adopt SOC.
Nancy R. Ihara	No date	Supports project. Concerned about climate change impacts.
Suzanne E. Atiyeh	11-22-2019	Expresses thanks for not approving project.
Sylvie via Carolyn Lehman	11-21-2019	Supports project.

Beverly Chang	11-24-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of letter to UNESCO requesting a form to file a complaint about a violation under Article 27, the right to culture. • Includes the FEIR's Tribal comment summaries and responses as evidence.
Joel Merriman – American Bird Conservancy	11-22-2019	Expresses thanks for not approving the project.
Darren Weiss	11-27-2019	Supports the project.
Rees Hughes	11-29-2019	Supports the project.
Edward Webb	No date	Supports the project.
Jack Kinnear	12-2-2019	Against the project.
Matthew Marshall – Redwood Coast Energy Authority (RCEA)	11-21-2019	This is a copy of the letter that was addressed above.
Robie Tenorio	12-2-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Against project due to potential impacts on environment, Tribes, and community; concerned over impacts to tourism. • States that decommissioning not fully addressed. • Project won't make the County energy independent.
Ben Shepherd	11-20-2019	Against the project for aesthetic and environmental reasons.
Ken Miller	11-21-2019	Cites reasons why Skookumchuck wind facility is superior to the Terra-Gen project: provides better marbled murrelet mitigation (including curtailment and removal of fishing nets that could entangle birds), fully funds decommissioning plan, donates funds to local school district.
Stuart Moskowitz – Sanctuary Forest	11-21-2019	This is a copy of the letter that was addressed above.
Joan Tippetts	11-21-2019	Script for short speech against the project; states it will worsen climate crisis by devastating the area.
Humboldt State Students	11-20-2019	Support the Wiyot Tribe in opposing the project.
Justin McSmith – California Water Boards	11-21-2019	This is a copy of the letter that was addressed above.
Kent Swatsky	?	Letter is missing.
Larry Goldberg		Presents comments via charts, graphs, and photographs.
Katherine Bettis		Letter is missing.
Roger	11-21-2019	Seems to be in favor of rooftop solar energy solutions.
Amber Woodworth	11-21-2019	Supports project as part of the RePower Humboldt strategic plan.
Daniel Chandler		Discusses concerns about evidence of climate change and supports the project.

David Chang		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that decommissioning bond language is an agreement with the landowners “of the project” and that the bond will be purchased 10 years into the project, which the commenter notes was a surprise to Director Ford, who indicated he would look into it. • Expresses concern that the resolutions do not include decommissioning bond language protecting citizens of Humboldt County. • States that the applicant has indicated that the radar switching enhancement for mandatory FAA lighting will not be considered. • Seems to point out that there is a visual discrepancy between renderings of projected viewsapes provided by the applicant and a mobile phone photo. • States that true environmental impacts from decommissioning and at the end of the project must be considered; not acceptable for decommissioning to be addressed in a separate permit. • States that County zoning regulations must be addressed: 6.6.2 requiring written certification from permitting agencies, and 69.1.5 preventing windmills that produce energy for export off the property.
Ruth M. Allen	11-21-2019	States that estimated electrical power gains from the project will be offset by 50% losses in transition and that the wind does not blow at all on many days.
Susan Nissen	11-21-2019	Submits a copy of the letter from NCRWQCB regarding the log pond.
Geneiva Wess – Yurok Tribe	11-21-2019	This is a copy of the Yurok Tribe letter signed by Rosie M. Clayburn, Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer. This letter was addressed above.
Rick Pelren	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that FEIR contains conflicting information regarding the number and placement of WTGs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “Alternative 5 would reduce the total number of WTGs from 60 to 37 and would avoid placing WTGs on Bear River Ridge.” ▪ “Figure 2.1 in chapter 9 says there will be 60 WTGs.” ▪ “Figure 2.2 in chapter 9 says there will be 60 WTGs.” ▪ “Appendix C figure 2.2 says there will be 47 WTGs to be placed on both mountaintops.” • Asks for clarification as to whether turbines will be sited on Bear River Ridge. • States that both the DEIR and FEIR provide confusing figures and deviate “from all previous plans and alternatives.”
Barbara Guest		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the FEIR does not address all potential risks from the project. • States that the project is not just a land use decision as argued by Terra-Gen.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes that loss of natural habitat, peace and tranquility, religious and cultural historic sites cannot be justified by economic considerations.
Daniel C. Barton, PhD	11-21-2019	This is a copy of the letter that was addressed above.
Larry Bravo	11-21-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Handwritten letter somewhat difficult to read.) • States concerns about soil stability and potential for erosion in the project area. • Presents list of unstable sites in the area.
Jessica Crossen	11-15-2019	Asks commissioners to heed the objections of the Wiyot Tribe.
Wiyot Tribe – Adam N. Cantor, tribal biologist	11-15-2019	Copy of email message addressed above.
Wiyot Tribe – Adam N. Cantor, tribal biologist	11-14-2019	Copy of letter addressed above, but seems to include additional scientific studies regarding wind power, trees, grasslands, fog and low clouds.
Bonnie Blackberry	11-18-2019	Describes trying to attend the most recent PC meeting and the difficulties she had trying to hear the meeting due to the number of others in attendance and the poor quality of loudspeaker.
Jack Kinnear	11-18-2019	<p>Includes comments from a Town of Scotia official, Frank Basik, whom the commenter agrees with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 plans, permits, and programs have been deferred. • Part 77 consultation with FAA not done, night lighting effects unknown. • Incidental take permits not obtained – why. • No conversion permit or timber harvest plan for the trees that will be cut down. • It is unknown what mitigations CAL FIRE will require so it's impossible to make an informed assessment. • The EIR cannot be certified in its current state.
Karen Steele	11-18-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has signed an online petition against the project. • Believes that the decision needs much more time to study.
Radley Davis	11-18-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has signed an online petition against the project. • Believes wind turbines are not green energy and are not sustainable.
Jess Lattin	11-18-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has signed an online petition against the project. • Believes wind turbines are federally subsidized or they would not be built.
Joan M. DiMaio	11-18-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has signed an online petition against the project. • Is opposed to wind turbine projects due to fire risk and lack of benefits to local communities.
Lisa MacDonald	11-18-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has signed an online petition against the project.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes industrial wind turbines are unreliable.
Seabrook Leaf	11-18-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has signed an online petition against the project. • The infrastructure and trucks, etc. required to build wind farms make them not green.
Suzanne Atiyeh	11-15-2019	States that the project could impact Coast Guard and other military operations.
Michael Drucker	11-15-2019	Supports the Wiyot Tribe in opposing the project and believes that another site could be found for it.
Suzanne Atiyeh	11-15-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quotes information about Terra-Gen and Energy Capital Partners that seems to have been taken from the companies' web sites. • Asks where Energy Capital Partners raised \$13 billion from.
Dennis Leonardi	11-15-2019	Supports the project.
Kirk Gothier	11-19-2019	Provides sections of CEQA guidelines, states that Section 15130 requires the FEIR to include a Cumulative Impact Analysis that fully discloses all impacts and expected environmental effects.
Kirk Gothier	11-2-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the response to his June 6 comments on the DEIR was not a response and was dismissive (includes a copy of those comments). • Believes the project continues the County's reliance on fossil fuels and is thus a significant adverse energy production cumulative impact which must be disclosed, discussed, and mitigated in the FEIR before PC action.
Joan Tippets	11-17-2019	States that the lead agency failed to adequately respond to concerns in its statement of overwriting (sic) considerations. The FEIR is an adequate. (sic)
Ernie DeGraff	11-19-2019	Seems to believe that the concept of human-caused climate change is fraudulent.
Roger	11-11-2019	Opposes the project.
Kristi G. Erlich	11-15-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is a property owner in Rio Dell who opposes the project for cultural and environmental reasons. • Believes that Terra-Gen has been "lazy" in the depth of their analysis of impacts and is focused on profits.
Lewis Litzky	11-17-2019	Supports the project.
Ken Miller	11-19-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addresses Dr. Golightly and contests that a clean crumb campaign was an effective restoration for murrelets lost in the Kure and Stuyvesant oil spills. • Also contests statements that climate change will reduce nesting habitat for murrelets as possible justification for the project.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that Dr. Golightly should have identified him- or herself as an HT Harvey employee. • Includes scientific reports on wind power and climate change.
Tina Dawson	11-18-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Against the project. • Recommends solar and local offshore wind farm. • Believes project is being rushed and Terra-Gen has not committed to proper mitigation measures.
Siskiyou Land Conservancy - Ken Miller	11-19-2019	<p>Repeats some of the concerns expressed in earlier communications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permitting the project would be a general welfare standard violation. • Downwind effects include turbulence and dehydration. • The FEIR dismisses established science on downwind effects. • Solar is greatly preferable. • Monument and Bear River Ridges have always been TerraGen's preferred and only locations for WTGs. • Murrelet mitigations not based on evidence and are baseless. • The EIR lies by stating that inland habitat is the only effective mitigation for MAMUs. • The pre-construction surveys were meaningless.
Hollis Krebs	11-9-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refers to an off-shore wind project being developed. • Asks that the project/process be slowed down so that options can be considered.
Diane Welch	11-20-2019	Asks for more research before development begins.
Peter Carlson	11-20-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refers to Mitigation Measure 3.5-6 and states the noise disturbance buffers for northern spotted owls during the breeding season range from 100 to 400 meters (up to 1316 feet) and not the 1000 feet referenced. • Believes that Figure C-2 and not Figure C-5 in Appendix C is what is being referred to. • Notes that in Figure C-2, four activity centers, not one, are within 400 meters and may need to be avoided during breeding season. • Was surprised that the project is barely feasible and given the many uncertain impacts, the CUP should be denied until more assessment can be completed.
David Grant	11-20-2019	Refers to an attached file that contains 410 signatures.
Erik V. Kirk	11-20-2019	Supports the project.

Jesse Noell	11-20-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the response to comments made during the public hearing re wind energy effects upon fog cites no peer reviewed or expert opinion to rebut the peer reviewed expert opinion placed in the administrative record by the public. • States that the prior official response ignored the June 14 public comments, which raised a broad range of impacts due to environmental changes from the project. • States that the CUP will “will prejudice the rights and impair the health and safety of neighbors and affected persons downwind or within sight or sound or at risk of fire or turbulence or vibration from the project.” • States that the CUP will “infringe the County Ordinance welfare standard, Ca. Civ. Code 3334, and deny other constitutional and inalienable rights. • States that the lead agency is “knowingly and purposefully, deliberately, or intentionally acting to single out classes of people forcing them to bear disproportionate burdens that could have been avoided or mitigated.” • Includes 28 attachments that seem to be news articles and YouTube films on wind power. • States that the County has improperly evaluated the economic, legal, social, technological, or other benefits, including region wide or statewide environmental benefits, of the project against its unavoidable environmental risks in determining whether to approve the project, and has improperly determined that the specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other benefits, including region wide or statewide environmental detriments, of the project outweigh its avoidable, adverse environmental impacts so that the identified significant unavoidable impact(s) may be considered acceptable. This project is not in accordance with Section 15093 of the CEQA Guidelines.”
Michael Winkler	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes the project aligns with RCEA goals and the RePower Humboldt Plan. • Has discussed rooftop solar with project opponents and has calculated that rooftop solar would cost more than four times the cost of the project. • States that electricity from off-shore wind projects will be much more expensive to residents.
Lori Gill	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Against the project due to impacts upon viewsheds, birds, etc. • Believes the public is being lied to.
Ken Miller	11-14-2019	Opposes the project and encourages a thorough look at a solar option.
Diane Ryerson	11-14-2019	Opposes the project, expresses concern over its potential impacts on the Wiyot people.

Ruth Allen	11-14-2019	Lists 28 animal or species that will have their populations reduced by the project.
Rick Pelren	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes that premature death of redwoods and other trees will result from their being downwind of the project. • States that the FEIR does not take into account potential environmental damage to areas outside the project site. • Believes that reasonable doubt exists that the lead agency followed CEQA requirements for public review, or that it followed Section 15088 in “its evaluation and response to comments.”
Jeffrey Hedin	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes importance of cool marine winds to fire resistance. • Is concerned that the project will contribute to dry conditions and thereby enable wildfires. • Asks that the turbines not be run between noon and 6:00 p.m. during the dry season. • Includes previous comments.
David Chang	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is concerned that the turbines would draw lightning strikes. • Cannot see any containment devices around each pedestal and is wondering about groundwater contamination from the lubricant and anti-freeze materials used on the machinery. • Asks about sediment transport and how Terra-Gen will comply with NPDES standards. • Questions ability to have the project operational by December 2020.
Beverly Chang	11-14-2019	Provides copies of photos and simulations from the applicant and states that that there is a visual discrepancy between them.
Cannot identify writer		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that wind farm curtailment happens when the energy is not needed or when there is insufficient transmission infrastructure. • Proposes that the County attract energy storage vendors to use vacated mill locations rather than build another wind farm.
Harriet Hill	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the FEIR underestimates bird and bat losses and its mitigation measures are inadequate. • The FEIR does not recommend any curtailment for birds, although that is a method used by many wind farms. • Curtailment for bats would happen only after two years of impacts. • Believes that surveys for hoary bats at the proper height were minimal.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is frustrated by Terra-Gen’s refusal to agree to turbine shut-downs for bats. • Accurate carcass counts is essential to appropriate mitigation, but the FEIR does not commit to using scent dogs. • The FEIR does not provide cumulative impacts to birds, bats, and other wildlife.
Barbara Guest	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that project decommissioning and restoration in the FEIR is totally inadequate. • Believes a 10-year bond is inadequate – a written guarantee is required. • Refers to California as not having laws in place for decommissioning.
Ellen Zanzi	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Owns property where two turbines would be close to their home and water source for livestock. • Disputes DEIR and FEIR findings that impacts to their property would be insignificant or significant and avoidable. • Has concerns about potential impacts such as visual, from light glare, and from shadow flicker effects. • States that the response to their letter #183 was inadequate regarding concern for the aquifer that would be 800 feet from the closest construction pad and also ground vibrations. • Placing wind turbines within 1,200 feet of their residence shows prejudice for other property in the vicinity. • Having to travel and function so close to turbines is unsafe for them. • The project will make their residence unlivable. • Asks that the project be conditioned on a one-half-mile buffer or setback around the property line of Harrow Prairie Ranch from turbine placement or other construction activities. • None of the applicant’s offers to provide photos or host visits to other wind farms were followed up on. • If the FEIR is approved the family will consider it to be a taking by a public agency for the benefit of a private corporation.
James I. Zoellick	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports the project as a way to invest in a diverse mix of renewable energy resources. • Believes Humboldt County must find a way to have sufficient local power generation.
Ellin Beltz	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the DEIR and FEIR are confusing and contradictory.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States they don't address strobe light issue of importance to those with epilepsy. • Refers to agency activities that per the commenter happened two years ago, such as NOAA requesting no siting of turbines within 30 miles of a doppler radar, but the projects turbines would be; the CFW stated that the site was not a good site for such projects; and CalTrans warned developers to obtain the needed permits for transporting the large project components. • States that the DEIR and FEIR ignored concerns expressed by the California Coastal Commission about barge delivery. • States that the County's most egregious omission from discussion is the CEQA amendment that public agencies should when feasible avoid damaging effects to tribal cultural resources.
Jesse Noel	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides photos of the carcasses of raptors, including bald eagles, killed by collision with wind turbines. • Is a proponent of solar energy.
Ernie DeGraff	11-14-2019	Expresses concern over the size of the area that would be disturbed and impacted by the project and believes it would be a tremendous eyesore.
Ken Mierzwa	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calls the FEIR flawed, incomplete, and potentially vulnerable to challenge. • Baseline studies were incomplete and exclude large areas. • Says that many significant impacts remain unmitigated. • Says the FEIR does not address most issues identified in the DEIR comments. • Asks that the FEIR not be accepted because it is rushed and incomplete.
Richard Engel	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes that time has run out and that climate change is forcing difficult decisions. • Does not believe that rooftop solar provides a solution fast enough, and batteries are not harmless. • RCEA's goal of sourcing all energy locally is at risk.
Jere Bob Bowden	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks if Humboldt County is not already doing its share to combat climate change by growing and sustaining large forests. • Has concerns over risk of wildfire. • Asks if Terra-Gen's proposal is the only and best possible.
Robbie Tenorio	11-13-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has concerns over how fast the project is moving given its huge potential impacts. • Believes it has not been shown that the project will create more energy than it will require to build and maintain.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has concerns about pollution, fire risk, use of water, herbicide use, infrasound, loss of property values, etc.
Judy Haggard	11-14-2019	Repeats comments made in 11-21 communication: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks whether Terra-Gen would retrofit the turbines if future designs are made safer for birds, bats, other wildlife. • Notes that neither DEIR nor FEIR discuss potential impacts on insect species but the topic should be addressed.
Angelina Lasko	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks for more time to assess because the turbine locations are not provided. • Questions how the project enhances self-sufficiency and enhances and protects cultural resources. • Believes that turbine design could be considered for mitigation purposes. • States that many more permits are needed for the project.
Valentina J. Dimas	11-14-2019	Against the project and calls it green-washing.
Lauren Kurth	11-14-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes the project is being placed in the wrong location and will impact Wiyot Tribe cultural resources as well as kill many birds and bats. • Believes turbines cannot be recycled, have a high rate of failure, and they often explode.
Angelina Lasko	11-17-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objects to Statement of Overriding Considerations as weak and vague, does not state or prove how the impacts outweigh the benefits. • Questions the project's feasibility. • States that the power generated with curtailment does not justify the loss of carbon sinks. • Believes the energy generated will go outside the County. • Believes there are other locations that are better for the project. • Questions public safety danger from explosives and chemicals stored on site. • States that carbon neutrality model does not represent the project site – does not consider wetlands and grasslands. • Site soils highly erodible.
Marie Brichetto Trinidad	11-14-2019	States that the DEIR and FEIR reveal significant environmental impacts that cannot be mitigated.
Sean Casement	11-14-2019	Against the project.
Lewis Litzky	11-9-2019	Supports the project.
John Hardin	11-11-2019	Against the project; believes it is motivated by greed.

Jesse Noell	11-7-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believes the County demonstrated prejudice against the Wiyot Tribe, CPU sections concerning welfare, and electricity ratepayers, and appears to be intentionally depriving the public of their ability to avoid or reduce the project's significant impacts, including impacts on biological resources, visual resources, and cultural resources. • States that the EIR refuses to analyze the impact of lost electric energy, which enters the atmosphere as heat.
Rick Pelren	No date	<p>States that the FEIR is inadequate regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impacts from poisoning rodents on the project site to deter raptors. • Impacts of defoliant on the ecosystem. • Conflicting statements of the source of untreated industrial wastewater. • Wintertime operations in violation of HRC HCP. • Lack of location of the O&M facility or a groundwater survey in that area. • Conflicting statements of the width of the gen-tie corridor. • Shortness of the public review period and lack of compliance with CEQA requirements. • Too many unmitigated impacts. • Lack of an environmental report for the rerouted gen-tie.
Cecelia Lanman	11-12-2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • States that the FEIR's responses to comments reveals a completely inadequate document and faulty rationalization. • States that the FEIR dismisses USFS concerns about the killing of raptors. • Objects to the use of the "This comment is not directed at the adequacy of the DEIR, nor does it contain an argument raising significant environmental issues. No further response is required." Calls it "blowing off" comments. • Frustrated that the public had little time to review the 900 page document.