From:	Ford, John
To:	Elizabeth Burks; Werner, Steve; Duke, Natalie
Cc:	Lippre, Suzanne
Subject:	Fw: Support for Humboldt Wind Farm
Date:	Sunday, December 1, 2019 7:32:37 PM

From: Ford, John <JFord@co.humboldt.ca.us>
Sent: Sunday, December 1, 2019 7:31 PM
To: Wilson, Mike <Mike.Wilson@co.humboldt.ca.us>
Cc: Darren Weiss <darrenjweiss@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Support for Humboldt Wind Farm

Hi Mike:

You can send them to me, and I will make sure they are included in the packet for the Board's consideration.

John

From: Wilson, Mike <Mike.Wilson@co.humboldt.ca.us>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 5:05 PM
To: Ford, John <JFord@co.humboldt.ca.us>
Cc: Darren Weiss <darrenjweiss@gmail.com>
Subject: Fwd: Support for Humboldt Wind Farm

John,

Where should comments be sent?

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Mike Wilson P.E.
Humboldt County Supervisor, District 3
707.476.2393

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** Darren Weiss <darrenjweiss@gmail.com>
> **Date:** November 27, 2019 at 3:23:09 PM PST
> **To:** "Wilson, Mike" <Mike.Wilson@co.humboldt.ca.us>
> **Subject: Re: Support for Humboldt Wind Farm**

To whom do I send it?

DJW

On Wed, Nov 27, 2019, 3:15 PM Wilson, Mike
<Mike.Wilson@co.humboldt.ca.us> wrote:

> Thanks for the comments. Please submit them as part of the record.
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> Mike Wilson P.E.
> Humboldt County Supervisor, District 3
> 707.476.2393
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> Sent from my iPad
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>> On Nov 27, 2019, at 12:55 PM, Darren Weiss
>> <darrenjweiss@gmail.com> wrote:
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>> Mike,
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>> I'm writing in support of the Humboldt Wind Farm. I'm a mechanical engineer who's lived in Ferndale for the past 13 years. I've also worked in the renewable energy industry as a performance engineer for the past 16 years as both a consultant as well as my current role of Director of Engineering for Novatus Energy. I have no vested interest in this particular project except as a Humboldt County resident.
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>> In my experience, there's nothing outside the ordinary with this project, including the NIMBY opposition. Not only is there a great wind resource on that site, there's a private company willing to invest their own money to build a project on private property. The actual stake holders in this project is far smaller than the detractors, while the direct benefit will be to all of us.
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>> Any source of electricity has a cost and a detriment to wherever it is placed, and as a net-importer of electricity, it's easy to let some other community carry the weight, whether it be wind turbines, dams, smoke stacks, or cooling towers. If the "price" we have to pay is ~50 turbines on a ridge, it seems like a fair price to pay for the energy we are using.
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>> From what I can tell, most of the criticism on the environmental front (logging, grading, wildlife impacts) are far more extreme on the marijuana grows on *every* ridge line in Humboldt County. If we held the wind farm to the same (low) standards, it'd be a slam dunk approval. Fortunately, Terra-Gen will be held to much higher standard and will also bring reliability improvements to our local

grid.

I hope you will support the project and walk the talk on promoting the development of renewable energy.

Best,
Darren Weiss
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707-845-3022