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SUBJECT: Appeal of the Alameda County Planning Office January 14, 2016 decision regarding the Altamont Winds Inc. Conditional Use Permit, PLN2014-00056 Zoning Adjustments.

Should Altamont Winds not Appeal the EZBA I will with draw the appeal. But this does not relieve planning to responsibility answer these areas that EIR fails to answer. Solutions that should have been in the EIR and were left unresolved should be resolved with input from Dyer Rd. residents. Dyer Rd residents should not have to go through years of court hearing to reach a solution that should have been in EIR. They are listed on page 2.

These questions have not been answered and must be answered with accuracy and not estimates before any new Industrial Wind Turbine are allowed to be erected. This will insure health and safety for residents and the avian that will be affected. These questions have been asked and remain unanswered. The four IWT 23.24.25.26 were removed at residents request because the distance & dBA and LFN. Alameda County own, Power Point says in slide 34. residents with in 1750 ft. could be exposed to noise above 55 dba Ldn. The But then fails to say anything about LFN low frequency noise that is found to cause serious health issues with people that result after the IWT goes into operation.

Then Altamont Winds Failure to name the IWT they intend to install could open a new concerns with increased dBA & LFN, blade sweep, megawatt output. Altamont Winds could install much larger IWT and increase from the current 56.90 mw to their 90+ mw goal.

The lighting required for the 45 story IWT changes our wonderful rural open space to some what of an industrial or airport setting. This was completely overlooked in the two Golden Hills Projects and residents only received notice GH North of the final EIR. EBZA approval vote and did so over our objections. We now have those lights in the sky forever.

Then we have the avian mortality which is the prime reason for re-powering and the complete failure to incorporate any third party monitoring plan, locate 100% of a search area and search 80%. And self reporting with out any oversight. Shiloh 30 miles from AWRA has reduced local population 12% annually with Golden Eagle Kill. USFWS 7/24/14 letter to ALCO Mrs. Rivera.

Thank You, Darryl Mueller¹

Un resolved area's of the Wind Turbine Permit.

- 1. Search areas defined to locate 100% of the dead avian for a base line then search for 80%. Past searches were a sham.
- 2. Self reporting by windmill operators is self serving and controls the mortality information released.
- 3. Gag orders in the form of confidentiality agreements and threats to workers on finding and reporting Avian must be stopped,
- there must be some kind of means to encourage reporting. And to outlaw any agreement that shields any mortality.
- 4. New larger windmills 33 times the size must have new sound standards including Infrasound and Low Frequency Noise.
- 5. Altamont Winds refuses to name what the replacement IWT is blade sweep or the Megawatt. How could this be allowed with out that information larger IWT could be installed.
- 6. Increased blade sweep is increased avian kill potential. Nothing ever proved these are bird friendly. Projects have been approved with 35 to 142% increased blade sweep.
- 7. Funding must be restored for independent monitoring, at any time with no notice and no lockout of any windmill site in Alameda County. Windmill controlled information must stop.
- 8. The stake holders are not the windmill co. It is the residents environmental concerns of the area and Avian that get killed.
- 9. Flashing red lights hundreds of feet in the air has changed our rural landscape at night, and in the day time 45 story Industrial Wind Turbines are a visual nightmare.
- 10. Resident stake holders were left out notification of Golden Hills & Golden Hills North & Altamont Winds notification process input in the NOPEIR, Draft EIR, and Final EIR. That is what the process is all about telling what is about to happen. We received a post card notice of the final hearing in October for Golden Hills North.
- 11. Members of the Board of Supervisors took money from Altamont Winds then voted for a 3 years extension to allow operation. How can the board not be bias and people that got money voted for Altamont Winds extension? See letter from USFWS.
- 12. The correct exchange is 17.43 or 17 turbines for total blade sweep exchange.
- 13. Even with 6 less turbines they are getting 10 extra turbine blade sweep. It's not about saving Avian it's extra Megawatt and increase kill capacity with no oversight. Repowering is out of control in Alameda County Altamont Pass.