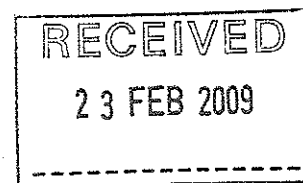


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Wind Farm Submission

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I make my submission concerning all applications for the resource consent below:

Manawatu-Wanganui (Horizons) regional Council- Land-use Consents, I strongly appose :-

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RC068: I strongly appose all (1.2.3.4 and 5 points)

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I Do Not wish to be heard and hereby make my submission in writing only.

Please find attached above my reasons for my strong opposition to the proposed Turitea Wind Farm.

Yours faithfully
Dawne Perks.

23/02/2009

19th February 2009

Turitea Wind Farm.

I totally oppose the Turitea Wind Farm in its entirety:-

- Personal Reasons: I moved to Palmerston North as a registered nurse in 1956 I have resided here ever since and have been proud to be a part of this city. I have recently shifted out to a 3 acre block on Turitea Road for my retirement years, my reason for the move was to spend those years surrounded by the beauty and peacefulness of the native bush reserve and the tranquillity and visual impact of the ranges. These views I see out of every window of my home every day and also enjoy as I walk each day the 6 klm's along Turitea Road. Remember also that some of those proposed Turbines are breaking rules regarding the closeness to the reservoir which supplies water to all of the city

The Photomontage of the Labelled Turbines.... On Viewpoint 4 Driving from Summerhill Drive down into Turitea Road is not only disturbing but totally gut-wrenching. This proposed view of what our countryside will look like in the future is disgusting and can not be allowed to happen, not one person who has seen that photo, can understand that any one in their right mind could even contemplate ruining the visual impact of our unspoilt landscape in such a way.

I have many friends, from the City and Feilding who call out just to visit and often end up staying over because of the peacefulness and uniqueness of the area.

My family come home to stay and their first comments are " what a beautiful place this is to live" I will never forget my son, who has lived in the USA for many years , commenting suddenly how beautiful the hills were, so unspoilt and the sky was so clear, so different to the arid countryside of the United States, when we were driving through Waikanae, while travelling down to Wellington, that was over 15 years ago but that comment has remained with me for ever. Recently he said the same about the Ranges and Reserve here when he was home in October.

Let us not forget that the reason we have so many overseas tourists, to our country. Its not for the shopping , but because of the people and the amazing unspoilt scenery in the way of our many Reserves and National Parks, etc. We have the most beautiful scenic country, including also all our lakes, harbours, rivers and beaches all available to everyone and easily accessible to new Zealanders and visitors alike.

Do we want to lose all our natural heritage? Just for the sake of greed and money changing hands, without a thought for the people of today and of our future generations, our children and our grand children and their children?

Has any thought been given by the powers that be, when in 10 years or so these monstrosities are rusting and obsolete and are a blot on our landscape?, for all the indigenous native plants and forests that have been destroyed to originally install these Turbines on our ranges and in our reserves, or to the impact it has had on the people, the health problems that will be caused and haven't been thoroughly investigated or listened to?.

Documentation in other countries have shown that there are now proven cases of sleep deprivation, disorientation, people unable to concentrate due to the constant vibration and noise. And those are from Turbines not as close as those planned for the Turitea Wind Farm.

When I shifted out there I was told that the Turitea Valley community was a very strong, friendly and supportive neighbourhood, since being here I have found it to be the complete opposite, the whole community is divided, friendships have been ruined and people's health affected, the proposed turbines have split up a loyal and happy community.

Our view of the unspoilt Ranges is to us what the Auckland Viaduct Basin is to Auckland and the Oriental Parade harbour views are to Wellington etc, Maybe Mighty River Power may contemplate putting a few 100 turbines in their harbours!!! Apparently they are very effective in the ocean, can you see the Capital City and Auckland city rate payers and every one else putting up with that? I don't think so, so why should we?.

I drove down into Ashhurst from Feilding a week or so ago and felt literally sick when I turned the corner and saw these huge Turbines right in my face, it totally shocked me. When they first went up in the area they were a novelty now they are everywhere, almost all the way along Aokautere road and more surprisingly, keep appearing all the time.

Its not a novelty any more they are a TOTAL EYESORE. For goodness sake Let commonsense prevail.

IT MUST STOP NOW, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. Please preserve our sanity and New Zealand's reputation of being the most beautiful country in the world to live in and to visit.

Yours respectfully,

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