From: lawrence.magliola@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-14T05:32:45+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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From: tikab1@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-14T05:43:43+00:00

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Received: 2024-07-14T16:46:04+00:00

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**From:** thegecko34@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-14T17:41:39+00:00

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**From:** geoffskews@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-15T01:31:27+00:00

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**To:** Comments@efsec.wa.gov **From:** jpolehn1@yahoo.com

Received: 2024-07-15T01:34:22+00:00

Subject: Horse Heaven Hills Project--I urge EFSEC to recommend dis-approval of the project to Gov. J. Inslee

Has attachment? False

External Email

Dear EFSEC: 7/14/24

I ask that you completely recommend Gov. J. Inslee reject/veto the Horse Heaven Hills (HHH) Wind Turbine, Solar Panel, & Battery project. The project is a waste of tax payer monies (i.e., the state is not doing its fiduciary duty to taxpayers). It is NOT WA State's job to decide what types of energy the people of Washington use. It is NOT WA State's job to mis-use/funnel our taxpayer money into an obviously flawed snake oil project. It is NOT WA State's job to promote one business over others. It is NOT WA State's job to choose a service that causes the electrical grid to become unstable causing electrical outages which can result in the deaths of people from extreme heat, cold, or being unable to use live saving electrical devices. It is NOT WA State's job to choose a service that causes folks' electric bills to increase. And allowing the HHH project that destroys sensitive wildlife (e.g., eagles), contaminates farm land, uses child slave labor to make unreliable turbines & solar panels & battery contents yet calls for low carbon emission dams to be removed because of salmon allegedly being injured is inconsistent application of environmental laws to say nothing of being the height of hypocrisy.

It is obvious that whoever your advisors are on the environment are totally incompetent, disingenuous, corrupted, or all of the above. NASA & others have clearly documented that humans are NOT causing climate change/the earth to warm or cool. Solar activities do that. (See links below.) Further, anyone with a modicum of weather related training knows that the biggest "greenhouse" gas IS water vapor (i.e., vapor that comes from the earth's oceans). CO2 doesn't even come close.

In closing, I ask you to recommend Gov. J. Inslee veto the HHH wind turbine, solar panel, & battery project. I ask that EFSEC do the right thing for WA State. Are EFSEC members really so hot to have this catastrophic legacy left on their shoulders as Gov. J. Inslee leaves office? Is EFSEC really going to go along with leaving Washington State worse that it was when Gov. Inslee took over & EFSEC allowed it to happen? Do you really want that as a legacy that people remember you by? I sincerely hope not.

Thank you, in advance, for recommending Gov. J. Inslee NOT approve the Horse Heaven Hills Wind Turbine fiasco.

J. Polehn

jpolehn1@yahoo.com

because-of-changes-in-Earths-solar-orbit-not-because-of-SUVs-and-fossil-fuels

https://climate-science.press/2024/05/12/climate-change-is-driven-by-changes-in-orientation-of-earth-to-sun-not-carbon-emissions-new-analysis-of-berkeley-earth-data-shows/

https://www.zerohedge.com/political/two-princeton-mit-scientists-say-epa-climate-regulations-based-hoax

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From: robert.edstedt1714@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-15T06:24:38+00:00

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**From:** plemestaley@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-15T18:12:16+00:00

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External Email

Dear EFSEC & Staff,

Please uphold your HH wind project recommendation to Gov. Inslee. EFSEC's recommendation was reasonable and valid when considering the impacts on birds, animals, people, the environment, the habitat, visual effects and fire risks to people and their property and to all the creatures that live on the HHH. One man (Gov. Inslee) should never dictate his agenda for wind energy on a community where it will cause permanent damage of which he will not experience one iota! Inslee behaves like an emperor or a tyrant by refusing to accept the recommendation from EFSEC. If it doesn't agree with his agenda, he tries to force his way upon us. His actions show he doesn't work for his constituents but only selfishly cares about himself and his legacy. He is completely out of touch with reality. He should not even have a say in this project due to his conflict of interest that compromises his decisions. The motive of Gov. Inslee is his legacy as the wind and solar energy guru and the motive of the developer, Scout, is greed in the form of profit and tax credits. There is nothing "green" about wind and solar energy. The only thing "green" about these two is the money made by the developer and who knows who else gets a kickback! With any amount of research, it is very obvious hydro power far exceeds wind energy in production, reliability, affordability and protecting the environment! Please stand by your decision or better yet, completely reject the flawed, incomplete and vague application of the developer, Scout Energy. The average person would never be allowed to submit an application like Scout and obtain approval! Scout is getting favored status from government officials but the community, who will be most affected by this project, be damned! Please do the right thing. Thank you.

Judy Guse Kennewick, WA

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From: <u>Julie Lawrence</u>

To: <u>EFSEC (EFSEC)</u>; <u>EFSEC mi Comments</u>; <u>Drew.Kathleen@efsec.wa.gov</u>

Cc: Amanda McKinney; Inslee, Jay (GOV); King, Curtis; Banuelos, Cynthia (LEG); Travis.Martinez@mail.house.gov;

vicki.holleman-perez@mail.house.gov

**Subject:** 7.16.24 Letter to EFSEC - Commissioner McKinney

**Date:** Tuesday, July 16, 2024 11:49:42 AM

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Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached letter from Commissioner McKinney.

Best wishes,



### Julie Lawrence

Clerk of the Board Board of Yakima County Commissioners Yakima County Board of Equalization 509-574-1502 www.yakimacounty.us

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# Commissioner Amanda McKinney District 1

July 16, 2024

Kathleen Drew, Chair Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council 621 Woodland Square Loop SE PO Box 43172 Olympia, WA 98503-3172

Re: Comments on Remand Order

Dear Ms. Drew:

First and foremost, I would like to acknowledge agreement and support with the recent July 12, 2024, letter submitted by J. Richard Aramburu, Attorney at Law, on behalf of the Tri-Cities C.A.R.E.S regarding the May 23, 2024, Remand Order, remanding the Horse Heaven project back to the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) for approval without the recommended mitigation.

As so clearly articulated in the Aramburu letter, the Remand Order further illustrates the arbitrary and capricious decision-making process that can be attributed to the entire EFSEC process. Even when EFSEC attempts to recommend mitigation measures necessary to properly address identified impacts, as required under state law, the Remand Order clearly demonstrates a purposeful and predominant directive to approve alternative energy projects, at all costs, regardless of the actual need of said project or the impacts identified in the record during the review process. This action runs contrary to any land use and environmental review and approval process.

As you are well aware, Yakima County has expressed concerns with the EFSEC process, specifically the lack of local control of land use decisions, and inadequate project review and analysis by the Council. EFSECs ability to ignore a variety of state laws and requirements, including but not limited to the Growth Management Act (GMA) is concerning especially considering the size and potential impacts associated with alternative energy projects. Furthermore, EFSEC's exemption from having to meet certain state laws also limits their ability to effectively adhere to federal requirements like the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts. That limitation is clearly demonstrated in the May 23, 2024, Remand Order issued by Governor Inslee. This clearly demonstrates a systematic failure within the entire EFSEC process from the top down.

If mitigation measures imposed by the Council can be rescinded at the direction of an elected Governor based on his personal views and opinions rather than relying on the record and the scientific evidence brought forward by experts with knowledge in the environmental issues, then the entire EFSEC process is broken. To avoid this, Yakima County requests that EFSEC disregard the Governor's Remand Order and follow its own mitigation recommendation as supported by their final EIS.



## Commissioner Amanda McKinney District 1

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions about this request, please feel free to contact the Chair of the Board, Commissioner McKinney, at 509-574-1500.

Respectfully,

Amanda McKinney Chair of the Board Commissioner, District 1

cc: Governor Inslee Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rogers Congressman Dan Newhouse

> State Senator Curtis King State Senator Judy Warnick

From: <u>art kelly</u>

To: <u>EFSEC mi Comments</u>
Subject: Wind Turbines

 Date:
 Tuesday, July 16, 2024 3:30:12 PM

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16 July 2024

Dear EFSEC:

I would like to submit this video link to you for your review as the benefits of such flower turbines (tulip) are so much greater than the traditional wind turbines that are being proposed in the Horse Heaven Hills in the Tri-Cities. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Art Kelly

**From:** burlanda@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T02:28:28+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

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From: alexandrabronwyn@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T03:20:34+00:00

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From: aliljeg@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-16T06:54:14+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

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From: darcicayboard@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T14:33:20+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

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External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am writing as a concerned citizen to express my support for responsible clean energy development in THE WORLD! This is our children's futures we are controlling While I recognize the urgent need to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and combat climate change, it is equally important to protect our state's biodiversity and cultural heritage. Without the animals we will have no future In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the potential impact to cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk and I would like to add that Fossil fuel extraction can significantly impact biodiversity, especially in regions where reserves coincide with high levels of species diversity. Here are some examples: Western Amazon (Northern South America): This biodiverse region includes parts of Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and western Brazil. It hosts large reserves of oil and gas. Threatened species like jaguars, tapirs, and various bird species inhabit this area1. Western Pacific Ocean: In this region, marine biodiversity intersects with fossil fuel reserves. Threatened species include sea turtles, sharks, and coral reefs1. Rocky Mountain States (e.g., Colorado, Utah, Wyoming): These states have significant oil shale reserves and support abundant wildlife such as mule deer, elk, mountain lions, black bears, and bald eagles2. Remember that the impacts vary based on specific ecosystems and extraction methods. Conservation efforts are crucial to mitigate harm to animals and their habitats that would result from following his directive. These resources are essential to maintaining the ecological and cultural integrity of our state, as highlighted by recent investments in biodiversity. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a stateendangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of our state's valuable cultural and biological resources. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of both responsible clean energy development and biodiversity conservation. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Preview Darci Board 904 16th St NW Puyallup, WA 98371-3974 darcicayboard@icloud.com

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From: lvilander@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-16T16:15:37+00:00

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From: simmelink.dennis@gmail.com Received: 2024-07-16T16:45:54+00:00

Subject: HH Wind & Solar Project "Stand Your Ground"

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Greetings EFSEC,

We are urging you to "Stand Your Ground" with your initial recommendation to Governor Inslee as to the scope of the project. You have diligently utilized your time for the past three years to come to your conclusion. The Governor has, for the first time in 54, years rejected EFSEC's recommendation. Sadly, he appears only interested in 'his' own priorities without regard to his Eastern Washington constituents and their way of life.

We have abundant green energy production; the nuclear reactor, the Nine Mile Canyon wind farm, and our Snake River Dams, which he wants removed. No logic there.

My family has farmed in the Horse Heaven Hills south of Kennewick since 1929. We did not sign on with Scout Clean Energy <u>boondoggle</u> contracts, but landowners to the south of us did. We depend on aerial fire fighting techniques, with the turbines in place we just watch our crops burn were there to be a fire, and I have seen many. Benton County and the Tri-Cities would rather see no project approval. Will not benefit us at all. However, you have spoken.

Thank you for your consideration. God Bless America.

Dennis and Jullie Simmelink 98413 Lilliann Drive Kennewick, WA 99338 (509) 947-2824

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From: jen.lance.stephens@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T16:47:35+00:00

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**To:** Comments@efsec.wa.gov **From:** kchughes48@charter.net

**Received:** 2024-07-16T16:53:01+00:00

Subject: Horse Heaven windmills

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External Email Please stick with your finding of installing fewer windmills in the Horse Heaven hills project. All the reasons for installing a smaller footprint are very valid. Karen Hughes Benton Country resident Sent from my iPad

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From: taffy@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-16T16:56:03+00:00

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**To:** Comments@efsec.wa.gov **From:** dnrossi@charter.net

Received: 2024-07-16T17:15:02+00:00 Subject: Re: Horse Heaven Wind and Solar

Has attachment? False



If this project is allowed, Horse Heaven Hills will be a gross misnomer. It will greatly impact the land, the bird populations, environmental impact, not to mention the ugly sight of these huge windmills. If Governor Inslee wants them so much, have him put them where HE lives, not here in Tri-Cities.

Debora Rossi

Kennewick

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From: pixelate@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-16T17:20:03+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

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External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am writing as a concerned citizen to express my support for responsible clean energy development in our state. The greatest source of clean-green-renewable energy is Hydroelectric... Let's not do something painfully stupid and remove the LSRD (Lower Snake River Dams) and then do something that is both economically and environmentally irresponsible in terms of replacing the hydropower with windmills. In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the severe impact to private property owners, cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk that would result from following his directive. Full-scale destruction of the glorious hills and views enjoyed by TriCitians must be front and center when considering the HHH wind proposal. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a state-endangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of individual private property owners' assets as well as Washington State's valuable cultural and biological resources. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of both responsible clean energy development, maintaining property values and biodiversity conservation. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Mr. PATRICK GRENGS 3928 S Mahonia PI Sierra Vista, AZ 85650-5313 pixelate@mathsavers.com

#### To:

Comments@efsec.wa.gov;efsec@efsec.wa.gov;sean.greene@efsec.wa.gov;amy.moon@efsec.wa.gov;ami.hafkemeye

**From:** ridgebacksrule@mindspring.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T17:30:44+00:00

Subject: Wind Turbines in Horse Heaven Hills

Has attachment? False

External Email Hello, I am sending this email to offer my support and urge you to continue the fight against the filling of Horse Heaven Hills (HHH) with unsightly and ineffective wind turbines. The awful impact they have on wildlife, especially birds, and the unattractive silhouettes they have make them unsightly hazards. I know firsthand how annoying they are and how irresponsible the manufacturers of them are when they have outlived their usefulness. My cousin's husbsnd allowed three to be built on their property in Colorado and they deeply regret it. The noise they make, the sheet numbers of them (thousands, going as far as the eye can see in several states I have been in), the light(s) on them - all of these things work against using them. On top of that, the company who put them there is in Florida - they don't have to put up with the negatives of having them on their property. When my husband and I were in Hawaii some years ago, there was a windmill farm that was no longer functioning and the turbines just sat there, taking up space, cluttering up the view and not operating. No efforts were made by the people or company who put them there to dismantle and/or recycle them. While alternative energy sources are important, I don't think that massive numbers of wind turbines is the answer. I sincerely object to them and hope that Horse Heaven Hills can prevent having many more installed. Lorraine Pedersen Lake Stevens, WA

From: bobbcar@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-16T17:35:16+00:00

Subject: Maintain Your Previous Recommendation on the Scout Energy Horse Heavan Hills Wind Farm Project

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am writing as a concerned citizen to express my shock and dissatisfaction with the action of Governor Inslee in ignoring the expert recommendations of EFSEC and blatantly ignoring the will of citizens in the area of the Scout Energy Horse Heavan Hills Wind Farm Project. I urge you in the most forceful manner to stand up for science and environmental protection and maintain your earlier recommendation to the Governor on this project. While I support responsible clean energy development in our state. While I recognize the urgent need to reduce our reduce carbon emissions from energy production, it is equally important to protect our state's biodiversity and cultural heritage. In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the potential impact to cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, visual airsheds, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk that would result from following his directive. These resources are essential to maintaining the ecological and cultural integrity of our state, as highlighted by recent investments in biodiversity. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a state-endangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of our state's valuable cultural, environmental, and biological resources. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of both responsible clean energy development and biodiversity conservation. In my career, I faced numerous occasions when pressure was placed upon me to compromise proper decision-making, and while I did not necessarily make friends in upholding proper scientific, legal and environmental decisions, I knew that my duty was to follow the science and the law, and not bow to the will of politically motivated or unscientific desires of higher ups. You will sleep better at night if you tell Governor Inslee that your previous recommendation must be adhered to. And you will not participate in making a mockery of the public input and scientific analysis process that you are supposed to follow. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Dr. Robert Carosino 130 Terrace Dr Pasco, WA 99301-8955 bobbcar@msn.com

From: jeremywall919@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T17:38:42+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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From: drjna@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-16T17:39:16+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**To:** Comments@efsec.wa.gov **From:** efsec@efsec.wa.gov

Received: 2024-07-16T17:54:56+00:00 Subject: FW: The Horse Heaven Hills Disaster

Has attachment? False

From: E. Robbins <edrobbins660@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2024 10:18 AM
To: EFSEC (EFSEC) <efsec@efsec.wa.gov>
Subject: The Horse Heaven Hills Disaster

# External Email

The Governor repeatedly returns to the dire consequences without the project. This project will make little to no difference. It is a fact that electrical power generated by the McNary Dam has to be throttled back at times when windmills are producing energy providing a false sense of "green energy."

Washington and the Northwest have a serious problem resulting from the more recent Climate Commitment Act and a net zero goal. That problem was caused by an uninformed legislature and a State Energy Policy that reads like a fairy tale. It is a man-created problem, and it will eventually be corrected based upon what has happened all around the world when governments have gotten involved in attempts to address the laws of physics.

Do not buy the Governor's story about the benefit of the project. Sure, it mayhelp some, mainly ScoutEnergy, but the power benefits will be minimal and at a bigger immediate cost to the environment. Environmental costs outweigh the limited benefits.

Respectfully, Elver Robbins Kennewick, WA

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From: moonersjones@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T17:56:39+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

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From: heacock1@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-16T18:04:36+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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To:

efsec@efsec.wa.gov;Comments@efsec.wa.gov;ami.hofkemeuer@efec.wa.gov;sonia.bumpus@efsec.wa.gov;amy.moc

From: simmelink.dennis@gmail.com Received: 2024-07-16T18:13:36+00:00

Subject: Horse Heaven Wind & Solar Farm - "STAND YOUR GROUND"

Has attachment? False



Greetings EFSEC,

We are urging you to "Stand Your Ground" with your initial recommendation to Governor Inslee as to the scope of the project. You have diligently utilized your time for the past three years to come to your conclusion. The Governor has, for the first time in 54, years rejected EFSEC's recommendation. Sadly, he appears only interested in 'his' own priorities without regard to his Eastern Washington constituents and their way of life.

We have abundant green energy production; the nuclear reactor, the Nine Mile Canyon wind farm, and our Snake River Dams, which he wants removed. No logic there.

My family has farmed in the Horse Heaven Hills south of Kennewick since 1929. We did not sign on with Scout Clean Energy<u>boondoggle</u>contracts, but landowners to the south of us did. We depend on aerial fire fighting techniques, with the turbines in place we just watch our crops burn were there to be a fire, and I have seen many. Benton County and the Tri-Cities would rather see no project approval. Will not benefit us at all. However, you have spoken.

Thank you for your consideration. God Bless America!

Dennis and Jullie Simmelink 98413 Lilliann Drive Kennewick, WA 99338 (509) 947-2824

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From: bobbcar@msn.com

Received: 2024-07-16T18:15:00+00:00

Subject: Maintain your original recommendation reducing the size of the proposed Scout Energy Horse Heavan

Hills Wind Farm Project Has attachment? False

**External Email** 

To: EFSEC and it's members,

I have previously written to Governor Inslee expressing my concern with his blatant attempt to ignore the recommendation of EFSEC which at least provided some opportunity for the consideration of citizen input, responsible science, and consideration of environmental, cultural information, and instead substitute his unsupported views upon the citizens of the state. Indeed, there are many adverse impacts that EFSEC did not consider enough, such as the risks created by firefighting the more and more common wild-fires we have in the impacted area., as the use of aerial water tankers will be limited by even the number of windmills that EFSEC recommended, and local citizens will suffer the increased risk of loss of property because of the limitations imposed on fire-fighting by many of these windmills. Instead, he seeks to direct you to increase the number of windmills in the recommended project!

I was faced with times in my career, with cases where I was urged by higher ups, to go along and support a project proposal that did not appropriately reflect proper consideration of cultural and environmental protection or appropriate consideration of public concerns. I understand the pressure you are under, but I also know from experience that standing up to those who might pressure you will always be the right answer, rather than bowing to their demands. Being able to maintain your personal integrity is always more important than satisfying the boss, especially when you have the kind of job that EFSEC is supposed to perform.

Please tell the Governor that you must, in good conscience, and in light of your obligation for proper legal consideration of the adverse environmental and cultural impacts of the proposal made by Scout, maintain the recommendation that you previously provided to the Governor, at a minimum. I would argue that in fact, appropriate consideration of cultural, environmental and fire-fighting concerns would properly mandate even further reductions in the proposed number of windmills in this project.

I urge you stand up for your personal integrity and not be swayed by the unsupported rhetoric of the Governor.

Sincerely, Robert M. Carosino 130 Terrace Drive Pasco, WA 99301

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From: beverlyandpaulevans@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T18:30:25+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am writing as a concerned citizen to express my support for responsible clean energy development in our state. While I recognize the urgent need to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and combat climate change, it is equally important to protect our state's biodiversity and cultural heritage. In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the potential impact to cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk that would result from following his directive. These resources are essential to maintaining the ecological and cultural integrity of our state, as highlighted by recent investments in biodiversity. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a state-endangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of our state's valuable cultural and biological resources. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of both responsible clean energy development and biodiversity conservation. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Mrs. Beverly Evans 2343 Skyview Loop Richland, WA 99352-8017 beverlyandpaulevans@comcast.net

From: beverlyandpaulevans@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T18:31:24+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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From: vancdanbanks@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T18:42:29+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity, Cultural Resources and wildfire fighting ability

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am writing as a concerned citizen to express my support for responsible clean energy development in our state. While I recognize the urgent need to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and combat climate change, it is equally important to protect our state's biodiversity and cultural heritage. In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the potential impact to cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk that would result from following his directive. These resources are essential to maintaining the ecological and cultural integrity of our state, as highlighted by recent investments in biodiversity. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a state-endangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of our state's valuable cultural and biological resources. In addition, the wildfire fighting ability using aircraft will be greatly compromised if the additional windmills are authorized. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of responsible clean energy development, biodiversity conservation and fire safety. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Mr. Wesley Banks PO Box 823234 Vancouver, WA 98682-0067 vancdanbanks@hotmail.com

# To:

efsec@efsec.wa.gov;Comments@efsec.wa.gov;Ami.Hofkemeuer@efsec.wa.gov;sonia.bumpus@efsec.wa.gov;AmyMillians.com/

**From:** savehorseheavenhills@gmail.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T18:42:44+00:00 **Subject:** No Wind Turbines HHH

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Council Members, This community has been working endlessly for three years to protect the majestic Horse Heaven Hills from Scout Clean Energy's proposal to erect unnecessary wind turbines. It is YOUR JOB and your HONOR to respect and hold true the decisions that have been made by all, and presented to the Governor. Jay Inslee has no right to slap this community & Yakima Nation in their face, when we as a community already provide clean, safe nuclear and hydro energy. Most likely providing power to your homes! Do your job, have some honor, stand by your recommendation to the Governor to significantly reduce this greedy, political project. Just as a note, I personally was contacted by Scout Clean Energy, and I truly feel they are undercurrent ed and scandalous. Do YOUR JOB, keep your word. Shame on Jay! Not in his back yard! But in mine!!! Literally! Sincerely yours, Barbara Buckmaster

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From: whitestarbrite@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T18:47:36+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**To:** Comments@efsec.wa.gov **From:** rprivettevet@yahoo.com

Received: 2024-07-16T18:57:54+00:00

**Subject:** Wind Farm **Has attachment?** False

# External Email

The state of Washington should be ramping up efforts to build and operate small module nuclear reactors. The Tri-Cities is a perfect place to do this. This would help solve the power needs of the state much better than the gigantic, unsightly wind farm proposed by Scott Energy.

The Governor's letter focused on the power needs of the State. Unfortunately, he knows just enough about power to be dangerous. First, the project does not commit any renewable energy to Washington electric customers. Second, the "1150 mw of generation" that the governor states as the project size is a fictitious number. The governor conflates generation as energy (megawatt hours) and nameplate (megawatts which is an instantaneous number). In reality, the project will only provide about 25-30% of the nameplate as a yearly average. And in times of need, like the depths of winter when the wind does not blow and the sun does not shine, we can expect only about 10%, or about 100 mw of energy. The governor discusses the reliability of the electric grid, but a project such as this is what will cause grid instability. Weather-dependent renewable energy is not reliable.

At least go back and reduce the size of this project as agreed to.

Sincerely

Kristin Privette

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From: bchervy25@gmail.com

Received: 2024-07-16T19:15:36+00:00 Subject: NO HHH WIND TURBINES

Has attachment? False

External Email ear EFSEC Council Members, This community has been working endlessly for three years to protect the majestic Horse Heaven Hills from Scout Clean Energy's proposal to erect unnecessary wind turbines. It is YOUR JOB and your HONOR to respect and hold true the decisions that have been made by all, and presented to the Governor. Jay Inslee has no right to slap this community & Yakima Nation in their face, when we as a community already provide clean, safe nuclear and hydro energy. Most likely providing power to your homes! Do your job, have some honor, stand by your recommendation to the Governor to significantly reduce this greedy, political project. Just as a note, I personally was contacted by Scout Clean Energy, and I truly feel they are undercurrent ed and scandalous. Do YOUR JOB, keep your word. Shame on Jay! Not in his back yard! But in mine!!! Literally! Sincerely yours, Barbara Buckmaster

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**From:** blackiekats@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T20:18:40+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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From: deborahwkaye@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T20:30:05+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**From:** kknutsonwa@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T20:36:42+00:00

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**From:** greaser66@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T20:55:00+00:00

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To:

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From: jwilfing12@gmail.com

Received: 2024-07-16T20:58:34+00:00

**Subject:** Regarding EFSEC **Has attachment?** False

# External Email

# Dear Sir or Madam:

Stand firm in your decision to use cumulative impacts as their reasoning for reducing the project and not be bullied by the Governor into doing any less.

If EFSEC significantly changes what you have deliberated and approved by unanimous vote, it will shred the credibility of the EFSEC process and sow further distrust in our state institutions. You have threaded the needle trying to balance the multiple and significant impacts of the "out of place" HHH project. A project of this size does not fit or belong here, and one person should not be able to trump the SEPA process by undoing years of work and millions of dollars spent by state agencies and interested parties.

Sincerely,

Janice Wilfing 1515W 6th Street Port Angeles, WA 98363

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From: summerfest.44@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-16T22:10:49+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**To:** Comments@efsec.wa.gov **From:** jkdeneen@yahoo.com

Received: 2024-07-16T22:11:10+00:00 Subject: Horse Heavens Hills proposal

Has attachment? False

External Email Sent from my iPhone I am totally against this proposal. Do not ruin our hills by putting up these windmills to send power to California. We live here. This will be a travesty! Our governor does not speak for most people in this region. We the people DO NOT want this! Judy Deneen

Attachments:

To:

Comments@efsec.wa.gov;efsec@efsec.wa.gov;sean.greene@efsec.wa.gov;amy.moon@efsec.wa.gov;ami.hafkemeye

From: MrsPadlock@protonmail.com Received: 2024-07-16T22:53:35+00:00 Subject: Horse Heaven Wind and Solar

Has attachment? False



Please stand strong against the bullying tactics of the Governor. You made your decisions based on strong data and concern for both citizens and the animal, bird, and flora residents of the Horse Heaven Hills area. Stand by your decisions and refuse to back down.

We are behind you! Marilyn Dickenson Kennewick, WA

Sent with Proton Mail secure email.

## **Attachments:**

**From:** virginiaf51@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T22:55:57+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am not opposed to renewable wind or solar energy. I understand that we need to not be so dependent on fossil fuels. I did and do commend all the members of EFSEC that helped reduce the massive size of the HHH. I encourage them to stand their ground. The many concerns of rural citizens are very real and need to be taken into consideration. I don't think I need to enlighten anyone, I think you all know the very real dangers that renewable energy sources can cause. Stand your ground. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Ms. Virginia Fitzpatrick PO Box 380 Goldendale, WA 98620-0380 virginiaf51@yahoo.com Attachments:

**From:** MrsPadlock@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T22:56:18+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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To: Comments@efsec.wa.gov;efsec@efsec.wa.gov;sean.greene@efsec.wa.gov;amy.moon@efsec.wa.gov

From: cswakw@frontier.com

Received: 2024-07-16T23:07:14+00:00 Subject: Horse heaven Windfarm

Has attachment? False

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After three years of hearings, public comments, input from affected parties' expert witnesses and the public, EFSEC has made a reasoned decision consistentwith other Washington wind projects by reducing the project to reflect protection of the environment and habitat, and have recognized the impacts that the project will have on adjacent populations including fire risk, and visually. Please stand by your decision.

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The Governor convened a gang of 7, made up primarily of lawyers and state policy experts, and in a period of about 2 weeks erased all of the effort that went into the review of this project. This is not the action of reasonable environmental policy. This is an action of a single man that wants a predetermined outcome. Please reject his demand. He had a real bias against Eastern Washington. Please do the right thing.

The Governor's letter focused on the power needs of the State. Unfortunately, he knows just enough about power to be dangerous. First, the project does not commit any renewable energy to Washington electric customers. Second, the "1150 mw of generation" that the governor states as the project size is a fictitious number. The governor conflates generation as energy (megawatt hours) and nameplate (megawatts which is an instantaneous number). In reality, the project will only provide about 25-30% of the nameplate as a yearly average. And in times of need, like the depths of winter when the wind does not blow and the sun does not shine, we can expect only about 10%, or about 100 mw of energy. The governor discusses the reliability of the electric grid, but a project such as this is what will cause grid instability. Weather-dependent renewable energy is not reliable.

The Governor discounts the visual impact. We live in West Richland, approximately 2 miles from a wind turbine that will be in full view. When the Governor blatantly directed you to discount visual impacts, he totally ignored the topography of the area.

Thanks

Chris Wright
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** LYNDEEE2@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-16T23:13:29+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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From: CEASE2020

To: GOVOutBound; Office of Governor Inslee; Washington Department of Ecology PDO; Inslee, Jay (GOV); Executive

- Secretary of State; WA Office of the Secretary of State; EFSEC mi Comments; EFSEC (EFSEC); EFSEC (EFSEC); Grantham, Andrea (EFSEC); Hafkemeyer, Ami (EFSEC); Owens, Joan (EFSEC); Randolph, Sara (EFSEC); Greene, Sean (EFSEC); Shiley, Alex (EFSEC); patricia.betts@efsec.wa.gov; Moon, Amy (EFSEC); Bumpus, Sonia (EFSEC); Drew, Kathleen (EFSEC); Snarski, Joanne (EFSEC); osta.davis@efsec.wa.gov; comment@efsec.wa.gov; COM Solar; Peterson, Aaron (COM); DNR NEWS; Ocker, Kenny (DNR); Hilaryfranz Info; Hilary Franz; Hilaryfranz Info;

Ritter, Michael W (DFW); Klicker, Mark; Dye, Mary; Boehnke, Matt (LEG)

**Subject:** C.E.A.S.E.

**Date:** Wednesday, July 17, 2024 7:05:34 AM

#### External Email

Hi EFSEC, the video attached is the Newell Road fire which occurred last year in Klickitat County. Burned out of control for weeks due to the turbines hindering the planes and helicopters from dropping fire retardant. 63,000 burnt acres, citizens displaced and many structures destroyed. This is the future for citizens in Benton County if you EFSEC caved in to Inslee's demands and violate the laws and permit the HHH project. Take the correct action and stand by your original recommendations. Protect the citizens of Benton County. Greg Wagner C.E.A.S.E. Newell Road Fire burns 30,000 acres in Klickitat County, 0% contained | FOX 13 Seattle



**From:** jdfrasso73@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T00:20:07+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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From: svfehr77@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-17T00:38:59+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**From:** ibanerd@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T01:26:14+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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To:

Comments@efsec.wa.gov;efsec@efsec.wa.gov;sean.greene@efsec.wa.gov;amy.moon@efsec.wa.gov;ami.hafkemeye

From: quigleymb@hotmail.com

Received: 2024-07-17T01:47:52+00:00 Subject: Horse Heaven Wind Farm

Has attachment? False

External Email

Dear Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council,

After three years of hearings, public comments, input from affected parties' expert witnesses and the public, EFSEC has made a reasoned decision consistentwith other Washington wind projects by reducing the project to reflect protection of the environment and habitat, and have recognized the impacts that the project will have on adjacent populations including fire risk, and visually. Please stand by your decision.

If EFSEC significantly changes what you have deliberated and approved by unanimous vote, it will shred the credibility of the EFSEC process and sow further distrust in our state institutions. You have threaded the needle trying to balance the multiple and significant impacts of the "out of place" HHH project. A project of this size does not fit or belong here, and one person should not be able to trump the SEPA process by undoing years of work and millions of dollars spent by state agencies and interested parties.

We live in the fire shadow of the HHH – close proximity and downwind. By restricting the use of aerial firefighting, you are dooming many residences to fire risks to life and property. Please ensure that there is enough of a buffer around the project, particularly on the north and east sides, to allow use of large air tankers.

Where is the precedent in 50 years of EFSEC existence when a Governor has made such a radical and out of touch change to an EFSEC decision? The Governor convened a gang of 7, made up primarily of lawyers and state policy experts, and in a period of about 2 weeks erased all of the effort that went into the review of this project. This is not the action of a reasoned man. This is an action of a single man that wants a predetermined outcome. Please reject his demand.

Please have mercy on Eastern Washington.

Sincerely, Brianna Quigley

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**From:** tpriikonen@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T02:30:15+00:00

**Subject:** Please Protect Washington's Cultural and Biological Resources.

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Members, Just today I was watching the hawks flying and hunting in the Horse Heaven Hills where our home is located. The number of birds that are killed every year by wind turbines is not an acceptable loss. In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the potential impact to cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk that would result from following his directive. These resources are essential to maintaining the ecological and cultural integrity of our state, as highlighted by recent investments in biodiversity. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a state-endangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of our state's valuable cultural and biological resources. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of both responsible clean energy development and biodiversity conservation. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Phyllis Riikonen Sincerely, Mrs. Phyllis Riikonen PO Box 5506 West Richland, WA 99353-4025 tpriikonen@hotmail.com

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From: sebastianlukasz@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-17T03:08:33+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**From:** jsalois0223@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T03:23:42+00:00 **Subject:** Protect Washington's Habitats

Has attachment? False

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From: brentn@everyactioncustom.com Received: 2024-07-17T04:25:48+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**From:** riddlegame@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T05:43:50+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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To: Comments@efsec.wa.gov From: kknutsonwa@gmail.com Received: 2024-07-17T05:44:56+00:00 Subject: EFSEC meeting Wednesday, July 17 Has attachment? False
External Email
EFSEC Council:
Governor Inslee has purposely ignored the WDFW expert opinions regarding the ferruginous hawk mitigations that were recommended to you.
Please stick with your original proposed direction to the Governor and protect the Ferruginous hawk. My farm, located in the Horse Heaven Hills, provides a safe haven of over 560 acres enrolled the USDA "S.A.F.E" conservation program, it is up to you to provide a safe passage to it.
If you give in to the Governor's demands and reverse what you have decided upon for the endangered Ferruginous hawk, the EFSEC process will be a sham.
Kind regards,
Kathryn Knutson
Furnace Canyon Ranch

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From: lusonnergren@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-17T06:05:57+00:00

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From: beck.avilynn.ford@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-17T06:10:18+00:00

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**From:** bendergloria3@gmail.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T06:38:50+00:00

Subject: NO MORE WIND FARMS IN BENTON COUNTY, PERIOD!

Has attachment? False



I am **begging** you to stop all plans for another wind farm in Benton County -- the humongous turbines and ridiculously massive size of this proposed project are an insult to the citizens of eastern Washington. We have so few clear vistas and our Horse Heaven Hills are already cluttered with Nine Canyon's wind turbines, not to mention the BPA turbines lining the hills between the Tri-Cities and Walla Walla

Put your wind farm somewhere else or scrap it altogether! We have hydropower and efficient nuclear power to serve our needs. And these power sources are actually cost effective --and they don't kill our birds and drive our power bills up like inefficient wind power projects.

Why does western Washington continue to trash eastern Washington? We want some answers, Jay Inslee and EFSEC!

Gloria and Tom Bender,, Kennewick, WA

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To:

Comments@efsec.wa.gov;efsec@efsec.wa.gov;sean.green@efsec.wa.gov;amy.moon@efsec.wa.gov;ami.hafkemeyer

From: KM\_Morris@frontier.com

Received: 2024-07-17T13:08:12+00:00

**Subject:** HHH wind project **Has attachment?** False

## **External Email**

I would like to add my voice as a concerned citizen and Tri-Cities resident and encourage you to stand by your decision to reduce the number of turbines in the HHH wind project. This project will affect our community for generations and we will never look the same if Governor Inslee's recommendations are implemented. We will look like a wind farm and not a beautiful shrub-steppe ecosystem, one of the most unique ecosystems in the United states. The Columbia Basin is one of the last and best places to see this type of environment. If this project goes forward we will instead look like an industrial complex. We are the people who have to live with and see this decision every day, please do not turn our beautiful clear desert skies into a manufactured nightmare.

Thank you for your consideration, Karena Morris Pasco, WA

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**From:** km\_morris@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T13:08:33+00:00

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**From:** renaejen@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T13:27:53+00:00

Subject: Respect biodiversity

Has attachment? False

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**From:** opossums5@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T14:28:36+00:00

Subject: Please Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

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**To:** Comments@efsec.wa.gov **From:** leered@gorge.net

Received: 2024-07-17T14:39:37+00:00

**Subject:** Save our land **Has attachment?** False

# External Email

The idea of destroying agriculture for part-time electricity that actually when the wind turbines are producing does not provide the needs that are required. The life expectance of the blades is at best 20 years but before they need to be replaced they start throwing off particles of the deteriorating blades which infuse thesoil with toxicpoison. As the seals on the gearboxes get worn, they spew the oil on the groundcontaminating the soil, Within time the land becomes useless for growing anything.

You have to have an IQ no bigger than your shoe size not to realize the amount of fowl that are chopped up in these turbines. Then you have the mass amount of wind turbine blades that will be piling up with no real solution to what can be done with them. All that to say this is not the energy of the future and when thesubsidies and tax right-offs are gone these wind turbines will be towers in the ground that produce nothing. All that will be accomplished by approving the Horse Heaven Hills project is millions of dollars of profit for Scout Energy. Please consider the amount ofpermanent damage that is done that can never be fixed. Please use common sense and do not approve of the Horse Heaven Hills project.

Delmer Eldred — Goldendale, WA.

Attachments:

From: aiden16242830@outlook.com Received: 2024-07-17T15:04:04+00:00

Subject: Horse heaven wind and solar project must be reduced.

Has attachment? False

External Email I live just down wind from the project and mine and my families life will be effected by your decision You guys need to stand firm on your decision to use cumulative impacts as your decision to reduce the size of the wind and solar horse heaven project. Do not feel bullied by the governor who doesn't even live in our area or would feel any impact of the impracticable situation that local residents will be impacted by if there is a fire or emergency in our area. Also a negative reduction in our home and business values. It's negative all the way around for local communities who live and work just minutes from the project. As a real resident and memeber of our community I say vote no and say no to the governor!!! Sergio Alvarez Sent from my iPhone

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From: aiden16242830@everyactioncustom.com

Received: 2024-07-17T15:09:54+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am writing as a concerned citizen to express my support for responsible clean energy development in our state. While I recognize the urgent need to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and combat climate change, it is equally important to protect our state's biodiversity and cultural heritage. In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the potential impact to cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk that would result from following his directive. These resources are essential to maintaining the ecological and cultural integrity of our state, as highlighted by recent investments in biodiversity. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a state-endangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of our state's valuable cultural and biological resources. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of both responsible clean energy development and biodiversity conservation. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Mr. Sergio Alvarez 2130 W 51st Ave Kennewick, WA 99337-4607 aiden16242830@outlook.com

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**From:** jwakropack@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T15:27:55+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

Has attachment? False

External Email Dear EFSEC Members, I am writing as a concerned citizen to express my support for responsible clean energy development in our state. While I recognize the urgent need to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels and combat climate change, it is equally important to protect our state's biodiversity and cultural heritage. There is so much to balance, and you need to stick to your science-based restrictions and force clean energy projects to adhere, and work around the priority corridors and habitat needs of important biodiversity species and also make sure to leave cultural sites intact. We can't make forward progress without keeping these important principles protected with the new way! In reviewing Governor Inslee's May 23rd Letter of Direction to EFSEC, I am concerned about the potential impact to cultural sites, priority habitats, habitat corridors, and species such as the Ferruginous Hawk that would result from following his directive. These resources are essential to maintaining the ecological and cultural integrity of our state, as highlighted by recent investments in biodiversity. EFSEC is under pressure to compromise critically important recovery efforts for a state-endangered species. It is crucial for EFSEC to uphold the science-based restrictions put forth in your April 29 recommendation to the Governor. Achieving clean energy goals should not come at the expense of our state's valuable cultural and biological resources. I strongly urge EFSEC to adhere to its original, science-based recommendation, which aligns with the principles of both responsible clean energy development and biodiversity conservation. Thank you for considering my comments. Sincerely, Ms. Jenn Kropack 22027 6th Ave S Apt 306 Des Moines, WA 98198-6268 jwakropack@comcast.net Attachments:

To: Comments@efsec.wa.gov;efsec@efsec.wa.gov From: pmstauffer@charter.net Received: 2024-07-17T15:28:50+00:00 Subject: Please stay firm on the HH Windfarm Draft Has attachment? False **External Email** Dear EFSEC member, Please stay firm with your decision for the HH Windfarm project; Governor Inslee's quick rejection of the Horse Heaven Windfarm compromise worked out by EFSEC is a tragedy. As a resident of Pasco I will be impacted by this giant project on 25 miles of our ridges for the rest of my life. I have spent hundreds of hours during the last four years building and updating a website on saving our ridges (www.saveour-ridges.org). I have listened to EFSEC meetings, attended town hall meetings, researched the topic, wrote to EFSEC, local newspapers and civic groups. The compromise worked out by EFSEC doesn't please anybody but we all can live with it; it is the hallmark of a good democracy. Governor Inslee's quick rejection and unreasonable demands are contrary to what our community wants and are undemocratic. He is forcing his personal agenda on us without regard to our opinions. The Seattle Times said it well in their editorial (reprinted in the Tri-City Herald on May 16, 2021: "Seek compromise before siting solar, wind farms in rural Washington". He doesn't care because he doesn't see these giant industrial complexes on his hills and ridges. There are no wind farms on the coast to spoil the views, from Whidbey Island to Bainbridge Island, to the Olympic Peninsula where the wind blows a lot more than here in Eastern Washington. This is true NIMBYism! He treats us like an electricity-colony that produces the raw materials to fuel the server farms for cloud computing, for crypto farms, with few benefits for our

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community. His legacy will be on our horizon for generations to come; a sad day for democracy.

Please save our ridges!

Markus Stauffer

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To: Comments@efsec.wa.gov From: bspaulding826@gmail.com Received: 2024-07-17T15:51:00+00:00 Subject: Horse Heaven Wind Turbines

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External Email To Whom It May Concern, I recently heard a presentation regarding the wind turbine project located on the Horse Heaven Hills south of Kennewick where we live. We are astonished that such a project is being considered. If approved our community of 300,000 people will be hemmed in by a visual "fence". No where in the Puget Sound region would a project of this scale be even considered. Seattle has Puget Sound, we have our Horse Heaven Hills which we thought were protected by the Growth Management Act. Please, please don't approve this project as it will change the character and identity of our community forever. Bob Spaulding and Debbie Clark 826 West 25th Ave Kennewick, WA 99337

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**From:** aggiepuffin@everyactioncustom.com **Received:** 2024-07-17T16:05:38+00:00

Subject: Protect Washington's Biodiversity and Cultural Resources

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