

Dec. 8, 2008

S. B. County Supervisors
105 East Anapamu
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Re: Lompoc Wind Turbine Project.

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Twenty some years ago my wife and I put together our life savings and purchased our dream, a small ranch in Miguelito Canyon. This was to be our retreat where we could keep our horses and lean on the corral and watch the hawks and eagles, surrounded by cattle ranches, rolling hills and the tallest things were trees, not 500 foot wind turbine. Now the county wants to change the Master Plan from rural agriculture and open space, to a commercial wind turbine farm.

I don't believe there would be many if any hawks, eagles or possibly condors left alive in the area of this project. This project clearly violates the county ordinances pertaining ridge lines and property line setbacks. If this project is allowed it will set precedence and open the gate for even more such projects in the area and county. Miguelito Canyons future

will be all wind turbines.

Our ranch touches on the eastern boundary of this project and our homesite is within a quarter mile of several of the turbines, and downwind. I could hardly believe it when the impact on our property was mentioned as "insignificant" in the E.I.R. for this project.

I urge you to slow down and take a serious look at this project and the negative impact it will have on the entire miguelito canyon area and its residents, both people and animals.

Sincerely,
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