Our family has been in the Honda Canyon since 1884, they were dairy farmers who immigrated to Lompoc for a better life.

In 1941 Camp Cooke, now Vandenberg AFB, took over half of the family property by eminent domain. Around 1950 dairy was no longer profitable and they switched to a cow/calf beef cattle operation. At that time a small ranch could support a family.

Forwarding to 2019, present economic conditions make it difficult to survive on smaller acreage. If we want to continue ranching and keep this area open, we need a compatible source of income.

Wind Energy meets this criterion. The Agricultural Preserve Advisory Committee has deemed wind energy projects to be a compatible use with agricultural operations.

When construction is completed cattle can graze right up to the base of the turbines without harm. The areas wildlife will continue undisturbed.

The Strauss Wind Energy Project will provide enough clean renewable energy for nearly 45,000 California homes. California has always been on the cutting edge of environmental progress. This project is a step in the right direction by keeping our air clean and keeping our area open for ranching / agricultural operations.

The Strauss Wind Energy Project should be supported by all, and we encourage the county to approve this project immediately.

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