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To: <u>Harris, Susan</u>

Subject: Campo Wind Project with Boulder Brush Facilities

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To Susan Harris and Planning Board of San Diego,

My name is Rupert Pedrin Jr. a resident of Boulevard, CA for four years and resident of East county for over 40 years.

I want to go on record as being totally against any more wind turbines or solar projects in this beautiful mountain country.

I believe that with the wind turbines we already have, this is enough and to put anymore, especially the size of the new wind turbines, is ridiculous.

I've noticed a decline in the wildlife population in general. I have ridden my horses around the area and seen dead birds including the golden eagle, and the turbines have made this area not friendly for riding horses where this used to be an awesome place to get out and ride your horse. San Diego county is running out of that kind of land where you can enjoy nature and ride freely and this project certainly isn't going to improve this loss of freedom.

I'm also worried about our water table being depleted. Through witnessing the Tule wind project in progress first hand, I was actually able to see what was happening. I took a job at the jobsite just to see what was going on, and I saw miles and miles of land being decimated by the construction. Also dead animals on the road after heavy equipment went through. There were officials assigned to monitor this, but to my knowledge nothing was ever officially reported to anyone.

I believe these large corporations couldn't care less about the environment, I believe it's all about the money. As employees, we were required to take an eight-hour class on how to protect wildlife and the conservation of land use and its resources, while they were not showing any regard themselves for the wildlife or the natural resources.

When I asked about the water they were using in excess, they claimed that they were "trucking" it in from out of the area, which was not true. There was an investigation into this done by local residents, to no avail. These residents were threatened and chased off the jobsite when they were out there asking questions.

Another one of my main concerns with the areas chosen for this project is the heath and well being of the residents living here. The increased occurrence of cancer and other health issues such as vertigo from the rotation of the turbines, are of a huge concern.

If they are going to build these turbines, why can't they be built further away from our homes, schools, and the general population? Of course corporate greed would want to build this where it's more convenient and would cost less with no regard for our homes, family, animals, health, and way of life.

I would like the planning board and the people making the decisions to remember "you" are our elected officials that are supposed to be looking out for the local taxpayer's best interest.

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I want to go on record that I was told by Susan Harris and the officials who were assigned to attend our meetings here in Boulevard, that they stated, on record, that this project has NOT been approved as of January 23, 2020.

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It's amazing to me how many residents in the affected areas are not aware of what is going on and it seems more could be done, perhaps a mailer, to inform them about the meetings and the proposed projects.

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I plan to do whatever I can do to keep the residents of this area informed and unite to stop this project or any other projects coming down the road.

V/R, Rupert Pedrin, Jr.