

I26 Erin Tuatagaloa

- I26-1** The comment provides an introduction to the letter and details the author’s personal information in regard to their living situation. It also expresses concern regarding health effects of development of the power grid and is very concerned more windmills will be allowed to be erected in populated areas. Please refer to Global Response GR-2, Public Health. This comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis in the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR); therefore, no further response is required.
- I26-2** The comment states the author has written to politicians soliciting support for the health and wellbeing of the community and the response has been there is no proof that the environment or people’s health is affected by the turbines. The comment also refers to a letter from the County of San Diego (County) Planning & Development Services that cited peer reviewed journals. The comment concludes the costs and toll on human and animal life should be properly measured. In response, as discussed in Chapter 2.5, Section 2.5.3.5, Public Concerns of Health Effects, of the Draft EIR, at the request of the Planning Commission, in 2012, County Health and Human Services prepared a Public Health Position Statement on the potential health effects of wind turbines. An update to the Public Health Position Statement was prepared by the County in 2019. The updated 2019 Public Health Position Statement summarizes conclusions from the most recent peer-reviewed literature and scientific publications. Based on the 2012 and 2019 position statements, no general agreement has been reached among scientists that wind turbines result in direct health effects. Please refer to Global Response GR-2 for further discussion of the County 2019 Public Health Position Statement. This comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis in the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- I26-3** The comment expresses concern over the effects of infrasound on health. The comment makes a general reference to scientific research conducted in oil fields and other areas that use turbines that report negative findings, but no other information into these findings are presented in this statement; therefore, no further response can be provided. Please refer to Global Response GR-2. The comment does not raise a specific issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is required.
- I26-4** The comment expresses concern related to electromagnetic frequencies. The comment also addresses loss of value to their homes. Regarding electromagnetic frequencies, please refer to Global Response GR-2. In regard to property values, please refer to Global Response GR-1, Socioeconomic Impacts. The comment does not raise an issue regarding the adequacy of the analysis contained within the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is required.

Responses to Comments

I26-5 The comment requests consideration of moving the turbines to non-populated areas that have minimal impacts to those around them. The comment further states “please do not overlook the research that proves harmful effects.” The comment does not raise an issue concerning the adequacy of the analysis in the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is required.