

Chairman Nino Vitale:

As the 3rd generation owner of our family farm, consisting of 112 acres in Seneca Co. Republic and my residence in Huron Co, Bellevue OH, I urge you to support HB 401.

My daughter and her family, which includes my 2 young Grandsons, have built their retirement home on this acreage, with the intent of farming the land and future homes for the boys. I need the security of knowing that as the 4th and 5th generation caretakers of this land, they will have the opportunity to vote whether or not to allow the Industrial Wind Turbines slated for this area. It is imperative that the decisions for these projects be in the hands of the local residents and voters, who know from experience and research how this would affect the Karst, their wells, aerial crop dusting, health and safety issues and housing growth in their townships.

The Ohio Power and Siting Board doesn't have the expertise nor the ability to hire experts to conduct independent studies to preserve the wildlife, to study the health risks of shadow flicker, noise, low-frequency infrasound and the safety issues with the unsafe setback requirements, disruption of radio communications with law enforcement, emergency medical transport vehicles, and air traffic.

There is also the concerns of the devaluation of property values and the equity in owner's homes. Currently, communities are forced to accept OPSB's decisions without the resources to challenge large wind developers.

All property owners should be allowed a voice in these decisions! Please consider the views of those property owners who want to live a peaceful life.

Thank you for your time,



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