

December 3, 2019

Representative Nino Vitale, Chair  
Energy and Natural Resources Committee  
The Ohio House of Representatives  
77 South High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Vitale,

My name is Ron Kagy and I am a rural resident in Seneca County, Ohio. I write today to express opposition to House Bill 401

I live with the proposed Honey Creek Wind Project and I am very concerned about House Bill 401. My family has lived within the project area for generations and we have worked hard to keep the land within our family.

We have always been able to find ways to bring in money to our farm. We are not only grain farmers, but we also run a trucking company. Recently, we were approached about signing our land into a contract; we can potentially have a turbine, or hopefully multiple turbines, on our property. This is a decision we as a family will make about how we want to use our land, this should not be a decision that my township makes about how we get to use our land.

If House Bill 401 is passed this would take away another source of income for my family and I will not sit back and allow this to happen in my community. This planting season has been a disaster locally and farmers are going to be struggling to get by, don't kick the farming community while we're down by removing an opportunity for new revenue. Please consider those that you will be financially devastating before deciding on this proposed bill.

Respectfully,

Ron Kagy

cc: Members of the Ohio House Energy and Natural Resources Committee  
Representative Bill Reineke