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Dear commission members,

Again, I come to you on behalf of the residents of the San Gorgonio Pass area to ask that you work diligently to set windmill guidelines that will protect the few birds we have left, and, possibly, encourage some to return. It appears to us that all of the emphasis and "energy" has been directed to the Altamont Pass area. We are aware of the heavy impact on that area but, only recently, has a WIMP study begun to assess the environmental impact on our eco-system down here — and that impact is great!

We are the only place in the country where windfarms have been allowed to come so close to a residential area in such a high concentration. This has happened because Riverside County officials have allowed a continuous stream of variances, waivers and rezoning to occur without consideration of the residents in the area. We have hundreds of old windmills that are missing parts, that are not being removed, because their life has been extended well beyond the original permit time.

We ask that, before you make any final decisions on new guidelines, members of the commission come to our area and get a first hand look at the conglomeration of windmills here and how they affect our lives. We invite you to sit on our porches and look out ...... and see NO HAWKS, NO EAGLES, NO OWLS and, at night, NO BATS. Our environment has been disrupted totally by the windmills and we wonder if it can be restored......ever!

I have mailed a packet (50+ pages) which gives an overview of the chronology of our struggle. I sincerely hope that members of the commission will read out letters and view the pictures for a more definitive look.

Attached are a couple of letters from residents in the area explaining, in their own words, their observations and concerns.

Please remember that we have over 4,000 windmills in this area ...... and THEY DO KILL BIRDS!!!!!!

Very truly yours,

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