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Hello John,

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Wind Energy

You may be aware that we at the Marin County Community Development Agency have been working on updating our Wind Energy Development Code for several months. Wildlife impacts from Wind Energy Systems are an issue we are particularly interested with in Marin County due to our large areas of State and Federal protected lands, extensive agricultural areas and the well documented avian migration funnel. I was not able to join the meeting in Sacramento this past Friday 6/9 but we are very interested in providing input on the Guidelines development process. One issue that is important to us at Marin Co. CDA is having strong empirical research data at a local scale to help guide our decision making process. We feel it is important that any statewide guidelines account for regional variation in wildlife populations, migrations and impacts. We recommend that the latest in wildlife tracking technologies and research be incorporated into the development of statewide guidelines and that funding be appropriated for research at a local level.

Please let me know how I can ensure our comments are included in the discussion on this issue. I would also like to receive a transcript of the Friday 6/9 meeting if possible. Thank you.

Regards, Alec Hoffmann

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