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CEC and USFWS voluntary guidelines allow fraudulent research to take place and allows horrific wind energy impacts to be hidden.

Additional submitted attachment is included below.

Cheeseburgers and the wind industry



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PDOr2kjc-bM&t=56s>

This is a video I put together in 2015. I created this video to illustrate a very dark side to wind energy, the hidden wind turbine slaughter taking place at wind farms across the world.

Each year the slaughter to millions and millions of birds and bats is being concealed by the wind industry and America's Interior Department. Rigged, contrived and even fraudulent research has hidden this turbine slaughter since 1985.

One of the many ways wind industry rigs mortality studies is to conduct infrequent studies around turbines. Some wind farms like those at Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area wait for 30-90 days or even more between searches.

As this video shows, a cheeseburger, a fallen bird or even hundreds of fallen birds around a few turbines will not very last long on the ground. Green energy's criminally fraudulent research hides this reality.



There are many species that consume the birds and bats slaughtered by wind turbines. Some of these opportunistic include raptors, gulls and ravens (corvids).

I have been studying ravens for years and it is not widely known that ravens are prolific hoarders of food. They will hide their food stashes under rocks, in cracks, on cliffs and even in the highest tree top leaf clusters.

In this video a pair wild ravens are presented with a new food source, 20 cheeseburgers. Eleven were left and then 9 more a few minutes later. At first, the ravens are afraid, but after testing the food it becomes a survival race to secure this food source from other species.

As it is seen in the video, once ravens discover a food source in their territory it quickly disappears. From the time the burgers hit the ground it only took these wild ravens 18 minutes to find the burgers and 26 minutes to carry away enough food that could last them a month.



I know from my years of wildlife research that this raven behavior is most likely being repeated by all ravens. A hundred

cheeseburgers could have been presented and they probably would have been carted off and hidden. Ironically much of the food hidden away will not be consumed by the ravens because other ground dwelling species will find it.

What is shown in this video takes place at wind farms everyday across North America but instead of 6–8-ounce cheeseburgers, millions of small birds and bats smashed by turbine blades annually are being quickly carried away by opportunistic species like these Ravens. The industry has been aware of this for decades and it's the main reason they never want daily mortality searches.



Exposing this industry secret is important because everyone can see for themselves the absurdity and fraud taking place with

wind industry mortality research. With contrived methodologies, voluntary regulations from both the CEC and USFWS, green energy's "standardized research" has been hiding an avian genocide for decades.



Eagles forced to live with wind turbines end up looking like this. It is also the reason sellout conservation groups like Audubon and RSPB are making fortunes from wind energy. It is so this hideous truth remains hidden.



The California Guidelines or Reducing Impacts to Birds and Bats from Wind Energy Development Guidelines was approved by the California Energy Commission in September 2007. To address the many questions that Energy Commission and California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) staff have received since that time we have compiled these answers to the more frequently asked questions.

1. What prompted development of the Guidelines, and what are they intended to accomplish?

The idea for the Guidelines originated in the California Energy Commission's 2005 Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR), a document produced every other year as an assessment and forecasting tool to help guide California energy policy. The 2005 IEPR recognized that potential controversy about wind energy projects that harm raptors and other birds might slow renewable energy development in California.

The suggestion to create wind-energy/wildlife Guidelines was further promoted at a workshop sponsored by Audubon California and the American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) in January 2006. Many participants at the conference encouraged the Energy Commission and CDFW to collaborate, with input from all interested parties, and establish voluntary statewide Guidelines to address siting, operation and mitigation of wind power to reduce its impacts on birds and bats.

Voluntary guidelines allow fraudulent research to take place and allows horrific wind energy impacts to be hidden.

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