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There is higher terrain to the North and South of the proposed wind project site. This creates a natural funnel for low-flying aircraft and helicopters transiting both directions from the Redding area to the towns and valleys to the Northeast. This is a busy route. The height of the blades of these wind turbines creates a safety hazard night and day. There is additional hazard at night, as the flashing red lights can be distracting and bothersome. In addition, the red hazard lights are only located on the hub of the turbine with the invisible, turning blades nearly 200 feet above the lights. There is also invisible turbulence created downwind of these turbines that can be hazardous to small aircraft and helicopters.

The hazards are serious enough that the FAA has just published this "Safety Briefing to General Aviation" entitled "The Winds of Change, Wind Turbines and Their Effects on the National Airspace System" that discusses these hazards. I request that this Safety Briefing be included as part of my comment for your consideration. Thank you. Milo Johnson See Link:

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