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Please docket the e-mail comments below under 11-IEP-1A. The comments were submitted as part of the July 6 IEPR Workshop on California Clean Energy Future. Thank you.

>>> Byron Sher Auditorium <[Auditorium@CALEPA.ca.gov](mailto:Auditorium@CALEPA.ca.gov)> 7/6/2011 4:54 PM >>>  
Penny, I'm so sorry, but we're running out of time and won't be able to get to the e-mail comments today. I'll send your comments to the presenters for response and we'll post your comments. My apologies again.

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From: Penny Ximatek [[pmelko@ximatek.com](mailto:pmelko@ximatek.com)]  
Sent: Wednesday, July 06, 2011 4:30 PM  
To: Byron Sher Auditorium  
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The people are 30% stakeholders in the funding of renewable energy with a significant voice in the future and success of renewable energy goals.

My personal experience, living in the Tehachapi Pass is that the County of Kern and the investor energy companies are oblivious to the permanent environmental damage to the land, critical habitats, areas of critical concern for wildlife, Indian sacred sites or the residents. The most obvious example is Rosamond, Mojave, Cameron Canyon, Tehachapi Willow Springs. Those communities were involuntarily under extreme duress and pressure by wind investment companies to sell, lease or foreclose on their properties. The former communities are transformed from homesteads, ranches and farms are nearly 100% wind energy facilities.

The construction process is not green nor are the operational turbines green. Where I live in Sand Canyon I have been personally impacted by horrible noise generated by the many clusters of turbines, red FAA required beacons, strobes, permanent loss of the night sky and the permanent deep reduction of birds.

At a local level the County of Kern has changed their zoning embodies in a new Greater Tehachapi Specific Plan to industrial, commercial and residential in eastern Kern County in anticipation of building out the entire area. In fact in CEQA draft EIRs, for example, the North Sky River draft EIR states in their Introduction 1.3 Purpose and Use of the Draft EIR that: "An EIR also discloses growth-inducing impacts..." It is expanded on further in the document.

[http://www.co.kern.ca.us/planning/pdfs/eirs/northsky\\_jawbone/DEIR/1-ExecSum.pdf](http://www.co.kern.ca.us/planning/pdfs/eirs/northsky_jawbone/DEIR/1-ExecSum.pdf)

This attitude of the '70s violates stated State of California policy to protect natural resources and the trend to refrain from decentralizing.

I request the utilities commission to mandate the following:

With this all said: the turbines need to be covered to protect all wild life and wild lands first and foremost. The fact that our ocean is dying attents to this requirement.

Transmission lines do not belong in the air but laid carefully on the ground where no harm can be done any longer.

Sincerely and respectfully,

Penny Melko

Resident of Sand Canyon, Tehachapi, CA