

Sidney Township Board  
3019 S Grow Rd  
Sidney, MI 48885

January 3, 2020

To whom it may concern:

I would like this letter to go on record for our disapproval and concern in the matter of wind turbines in Montcalm County.

They will never pay for themselves and the energy produced will not benefit our area. The only people that benefit are the leased landowners. My greatest concern is the health effects they will have on residents and animals surrounding the property the turbines are on. There are testimonials of cows and horses becoming ill and having to be put down, chickens that have stopped laying eggs, or laying very thin shelled eggs, people that can't sleep and the sleep deprivation begins to create more serious health issues. Not to mention dividing our community families, friends, and neighbors. Is this really what we want for our community?

I already struggle with periods of not getting restful sleep what will happen when a turbine is placed on the 40 acre parcel behind my house? Honestly, if you have nothing to gain would you want to look at one everyday? Apex couldn't pay me enough money to clutter my skyline with these things. I believe as we get closer you will see houses going up for sale to make their money back before they can't. People will leave our community!

My husband purchased our property in 1997 invested a ton of hard work to make it what it is today. If any of you remember what it looked like before you know he has worked his butt off little by little to make a huge change. When we saw the map of leases that had been pulled and saw Mr. Welder's property to the north west of us was leased he was so angry. His statement was, "I have worked 25 years to make this place nice and the way I wanted it. He has owned that field for 5 years or so and now gets to make the decision to wreck everything I have going." Take a look at the maps, interesting that neither Ned nor Jed have leases pulled on any of the property surrounding their homes and there is plenty of it! If you want it then you live by it!!!

The thought of these coming makes me sick to my stomach! I'm scared to death what the health consequences are going to be. We will fight with the rest of the community to preserve this beautiful area and land for our grandchildren to enjoy and watch sunrises and sunsets over fields of crops not wind turbines!

Regards,  
Troy & Jill Hansen

On Sat, Feb 6, 2021 at 8:17 AM Jason Friar <jrfriar@yahoo.com> wrote:  
Sidney township board-

NO THANK YOU to dirtying up the landscape around beautiful Derby Lake.  
Sidney township-Vote NO to this!  
You need to listen to the PEOPLE within the township as WE are indeed your primary tax base! You are  
elected officials...Don't forget that! Don't be suckered in by big energy!  
Stop this action!!!

J Friar- Derby Lake

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Corinda Stover  
Twp Treasurer  
Sidneymi.org

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Dear Sidney Township Board,

Jan. 4, 2021

My name is Sandy Natte and I do not live in Sidney Township, but I do live and pay taxes in Montcalm County. I am writing to let you know that I do not approve of putting up Wind Turbines anywhere, especially in our county. They do way more harm than good and once you let them in, you are stuck with the damage they cause. I have seen what they did to Carson City just east of where I live and it makes me so sick that I will try to drive a different route just so I don't have to look at them. They will forever ruin our cropland, our health, our peace and quiet, and our scenery, not to mention the constant shadowing strobes on other people's land. The places I grew up around Alma and Mt. Pleasant will never be the same and it saddens me.

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~~Electricity is not that expensive for all that it provides and Wind Turbines are not necessarily clean energy. Bringing them into our county or state is not nor will it ever be worth the money. I'm begging you not to let this destruction happen.~~

Sincerely,  
  
Sandy Natte, Bushnell Township