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From: BBishop [mailto:barbarabishop862@gmail.com]
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Subject: Please support a moratorium on wind projects in NH

Dear Senate Bill 361 Commission Members,

I am a New Hampshire resident. My family has lived in Nashua for nearly 30 years. And for the past 10 years, we've also spent a significant portion of each year living on Newfound Lake, in Bridgewater. We spend part of each summer hiking in the White Mountains, as well.

Newfound Lake and the White Mountains are special because of their natural beauty. People come here from all over the world to experience that beauty. The mountains, forests, lakes, and wetlands are also home to many species of animals and birds. So, it worries me when anyone starts making plans to alter this environment, without carefully taking into account the long-term effects of their actions.

I recently learned that alternative energy developers planning projects in the Newfound lake area seem to be giving a higher priority to tax incentives and short-term profits than to the adverse effects these projects could have on their surroundings.

As a result, I am joining other New Hampshire residents in requesting your support for a moratorium on wind turbine projects in New Hampshire, particularly the Wild Meadows Wind project, proposed for Alexandria, Danbury and Grafton. I understand that there is consideration of a moratorium on new energy projects triggered by HB648 and the Northern Pass project.

I am requesting a moratorium because I have concerns that the wind turbine and other similar projects could have a negative impact on the local economy, as well as on the public health of surrounding communities. I am also very concerned about the long-term impact of these projects on the Newfound watershed and wildlife environment. I believe the negative consequences of these industrial wind turbines far outweigh their benefits.

Sincerely,

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