

Dec 10, 2012

Dear Mr. Drew,

We are writing to express our objection to the Iberdrola Renewables Wild Meadows Wind Farm. We do not want their windmills in our town because of the impact on wild life, the peace and quiet of the area, and the possible impact on taxes and property values in our town. But we also have a personal issue with the placement of some of the proposed towers.

My wife and I live on Washburn Rd in Alexandria. 15 years ago we bought 5 acres of land on a section of the road that does not have electric lines supplying power. We built a small place and installed a solar system that is sufficient for all our needs. It is not exactly an ideal spot for solar... when the sun's angle dips to the south from late October to March our charging time is reduced to less than 6 hours a day because of Braley Hill, trees, and of course, the shorter days and gloomy winter weather. But we make do with what we get. We are 1000' from the tip of Danbury and Iberdrola's map of proposed tower sites shows 4 towers directly south of us and 2 more towers to the west. The distance and location of these towers will definitely be shading our panels for most of the day during those months of least sun exposure and leave us with little or no power for the winter months. I am enclosing the map supplied by Iberdrola showing these proposed sites and our location to them.

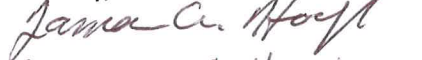
I asked the Iberdrola rep at the Alexandria meeting about the shadowing and was told they had done a study on it and there was a graphic to explain it. When I couldn't find the graphic there, I went to the Danbury meeting and asked again about the shadowing on our panels and was again told to check their presentations. When I still couldn't find it, I asked another Iberdrola rep and he told me they hadn't done that study. I found both of those meetings and the facts they presented to be misleading and/or just not true.

We are working with other citizens of Alexandria getting signatures on petitions and informing as many people as possible to the real impacts on our town to try to stop the entire project. But if those efforts fail and the windmills go up, we need to find a way to stop the construction of those towers that will take away our only source of power.

We are hoping you can give us some idea of our options/solutions. We've worked hard the last 15 years clearing land and building our home and keeping everything simple so that we can live the rest of our lives in a way that we know we can afford during our retirement. I am retiring Jan 1st and will be on a very limited income so taking on a big company just seems impossible for us. Are there any laws in NH that protects our solar right of way or any way to prevent Iberdrola from creating this hardship to our life?

We need help! Please. Anything you can do will be enormously appreciated.

Sincerely,


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Project Area

