From: Mike Lawrence
To: Todd, Fred
Subject: Bowers Wind Project DP4889
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Fred,

I am urging that the LURC board follow through with its initial reading to deny the First Wind Proposal to install the large windturbine project on Bowers Mountain.

As the consultant who prepared the visual impact assessment and oral testimony before the board in finding that this project would drastically change the character of this wilderness area, I carefully followed the six major guidelines established by LURC to analyze the scenic quality and use of the landscape, the proposed project and its impact of that landscape. This work met the schedule set by LURC and followed a methodology established by LURC to insure a fair hearing for both sides.

With its recent actions LURC appears to be favoring First Wind. LURC did not follow through on its initial decision to deny the project, and has not required First Wind to meet an agreed LURC deadline.

LURC needs to follow through on its initial decision and formally deny First Wind's withdrawal request on April 6th, then vote on May 4th to deny the Bowers permit.

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