

**From:** [Drew, Kathleen \(UTC\)](#)  
**To:** [Mastro, Tammy \(UTC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Bumpus, Sonia \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Visual Simulations Appendix Q for HH Wind Farm  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 23, 2021 1:34:35 PM

Public Comment #0001  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Please forward to public comment file.

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**From:** pam minelli <pam\_minelli@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 23, 2021 1:28 PM  
**To:** Drew, Kathleen (UTC) <kathleen.drew@utc.wa.gov>; Javon Smith <Javon@scoutcleanenergy.com>  
**Cc:** Shon.Small@co.benton.wa.us; Jerome Delvin <jerome.delvin@co.benton.wa.us>; Will McKay <will.mckay@co.benton.wa.us>  
**Subject:** Visual Simulations Appendix Q for HH Wind Farm

**External Email**

Dear Chair Drew and Ms. Smith,

Appendix Q of the HH Wind Farm proposal fails to show potential views of wind turbines from residential areas.

Additional photos and simulations are needed from the Summit View neighborhood, the ridges of the Canyon Lakes area, Cottonwood Estates and the numerous other neighborhoods in Richland, Kennewick and Benton County facing the Horse Heaven Hills site.

Both day time and night time simulations including the red flashing lights are requested showing the effect of this massive wind farm on our rural environment.

Thank you in advance for your timely response to my request,

Pam Minelli

**From:** [Drew, Kathleen \(UTC\)](#)  
**To:** [Bumpus, Sonia \(UTC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Mastro, Tammy \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: wind farms in Washington State  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 24, 2021 10:25:43 AM

Public comment #0002  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Please respond as appropriate.

Kathleen

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**From:** pam minelli <pam\_minelli@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 24, 2021 10:12 AM  
**To:** Drew, Kathleen (UTC) <kathleen.drew@utc.wa.gov>  
**Subject:** wind farms in Washington State

External Email

Dear Chair Drew,

Would you please provide me a full list of all wind farms in Washington State?

Including their location plus the number of turbines and their height would be appreciated.

In advance, thank you for your response.

Pam Minelli

**From:** [Drew, Kathleen \(UTC\)](#)  
**To:** [Mastro, Tammy \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Greetings from SE Washington  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 24, 2021 5:33:41 PM

Public comment #0003  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Please include this email in the public comment file for Horse Heaven Hills.

Thanks,  
Kathleen

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**From:** Patricia Heasler <[patriciaheasler@icloud.com](mailto:patriciaheasler@icloud.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 23, 2021 10:05 AM  
**To:** Hennessey, Jennifer (GOV) <[Jennifer.Hennessey@gov.wa.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Hennessey@gov.wa.gov)>; Kelley, Becky (GOV) <[Becky.Kelley@gov.wa.gov](mailto:Becky.Kelley@gov.wa.gov)>; Villegas, Velma (GOV) <[Velma.Villegas@gov.wa.gov](mailto:Velma.Villegas@gov.wa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Greetings from SE Washington

External Email

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Patricia Heasler <[patriciaheasler@icloud.com](mailto:patriciaheasler@icloud.com)>  
**Date:** February 23, 2021 at 10:43:54 AM MST  
**To:** [reed.schuler@gov.wa.gov](mailto:reed.schuler@gov.wa.gov), [lauren.mccloy@gov.wa.gov](mailto:lauren.mccloy@gov.wa.gov)  
**Cc:** Judy <[goosie1515@aol.com](mailto:goosie1515@aol.com)>  
**Subject:** Greetings from SE Washington

Reed and Lauren,

Is there a time we can discuss with you the Wind Farm being proposed in Kennewick, WA and important info for Gov Inslee to know about the project?

Either by phone or a zoom meeting.

Benton County PUD just voted against it as is the opinion of others I am working with to voice our objection and the reasons why we are objecting.

Many thanks,  
Patricia Heasler  
2603 Stonecreek Drive

Richland, WA 99354  
509-366-2471

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Theresa Williams](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 3:03:39 PM

Public Comment #0004  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

To Whom It May Concern,

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I understand that the project will create hundreds of jobs during construction, as well as long-term family-wage positions once the facility begins operations. Further, the developer estimates that property tax revenues over the life of the project will generate millions of dollars for the local community. Under current allocations, the largest proportion of those funds would support local schools.

[@Share Other Reasons You Support This Project]

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Respectfully,

Theresa Williams  
5511 W 17th Ave  
Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [Nathan Vinson](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 3:37:33 PM

Public comment #0005  
Horse Heaven Hills Project  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Nathan Vinson  
130 S Conway Pl  
Kennewick, WA 99336

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**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 3:37:33 PM

Public Comment #0006  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
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130 S Conway Pl  
Kennewick, WA 99336

**From:** [Foster Hayes](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 5:00:07 PM

Public Comment #0007  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Foster Hayes  
1105 W 10th Ave  
Kennewick, WA 99336



**From:** [Nicholas Lambert](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 5:21:17 PM

Public Comment #0008  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

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Respectfully,

Nicholas Lambert  
604 University St  
Walla Walla, WA 99362

**From:** [Sandylee Sanderson](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 6:38:44 PM

Public Comment #0009  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Sandylee Sanderson  
312 S Columbia Center Blvd  
Kennewick, WA 99336

**From:** [Louetta Shiplet](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Wind turbines  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 3, 2021 7:01:04 AM

Public Comment #0010  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

I live in Benton City, WA and have a beautiful view of Horse Heaven Hills. DO NOT ruin that view with wind turbines that will NOT produce the electricity compared to what the dams and nuclear can accomplish. And they use oil products to even work. The blades are only good for about 20 years and then must be discarded into a land fill. How bad is that!

PLEASE - do NOT continue with this project. Thank you for hearing me.

Louetta Shiplet  
2704 W Old Inland Empire Hwy  
Benton City, WA 99320

**From:** [Robert Margulies](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Scout Windfarm  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 7:21:39 AM

Public Comment #0011  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

No.

Every person I talk with is opposed to this project... except the landowners who expect a windfall from property leases

This community says NO!

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Steve Aagaard](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** wind comment  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 8:26:09 AM

Public Comment #0012  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

March 4, 2021

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission,

We have enough windmills on the beautiful hills of Eastern Washington. Simply stated, they are an eyesore.

Please reject any future proposal from **Scout Energy** to install a massive windmill farm in Benton County.

Steven Aagaard  
2414 West 3rd Place  
Kennewick, WA

**From:** [Doug Larson](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Wind farm  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 8:28:35 AM

Public Comment #0013  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

I object to the construction of yet another inefficient, costly and poor performing wind farm in Benton County Washington. The long term costs are way too high for minimal benefit.

Douglas Larson  
Richland, WA

Sent from ProtonMail Mobile

**From:** [Scott Siefken](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Benton county/scout energy  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 9:01:58 AM

Public Comment #0014  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

Save our views and our now reasonable rates. We don't want or need this unsightly power source in our area. Please say no to scout energy permit for this wind farm.

Thank you. Scott Siefken.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [kathykharris](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Wind Machines  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 9:06:04 AM

Public Comment #0015  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

I am against the proposed wind machines in Benton County. They are a danger to the birds, expensive to make and end up in the landfill, along with high priced energy. Please vote against the wind machines.

Kathryn Harris  
Kennewick

Sent from my U.S.Cellular© Smartphone



**From:** [DomKathy Sansotta](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [DomKathy Sansotta](#)  
**Subject:** Horse Heaven Hills Wind Farm Project  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 12:09:11 PM

Public comment #0016  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

External Email

Dear Ms. Owens,

Please accept this email message as record of our opposition to the proposed Horse Heaven Hills wind farm project as submitted by Scout Clean Energy. We are long-time Kennewick residents living in the SouthCliffe neighborhood. We are fortunate to enjoy an unparalleled panoramic view of the Horse Heaven Hills from our home. This view served as a major contributor to our decision to purchase our home in 2017. As we look east from our home, we can see the wind turbines of the Nine Canyon wind farm and are dismayed as to how they scar the landscape and diminish what was once a serene, majestic view. It serves as a further reminder of how wind turbines have proliferated throughout the Northwest. Almost any road trip from the tri-cities involves an encounter with a wind farm whether it be through the Columbia Gorge, I-84 east through the Blue Mountains, the vicinity of Ellensburg, or a drive to Walla Walla on Hwy. 12. It is sad to see this “pollution” of the landscape on such a large scale. Again, we wish to reiterate our opposition to any further expansion, especially of the planned Horse Heaven Hills project as it is something we will be forced to look at each and every day!

Finally, we are encouraged by the perspective provided by the Benton PUD and enthusiastically support their declaration that they do not support further development of wind power in the Northwest.

Sincerely,

Dom and Kathy Sansotta  
6925 W. 23<sup>rd</sup> Ct.  
Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [George Carter](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Wind Farm Comments  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 12:21:09 PM

Public Comment #0017  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

External Email

Dear Ms. Owens,

I am contacting you to voice my concern for wind farms along the ridge line of the Tri-Cities, WA. Please evaluate the wind velocities ranging from too fast or too slow versus peak power demands. After seeing helicopters burning fuel to slowly de-ice Texas wind farm blades, I am more convinced that these are not the solution to our future climate change power needs. Otherwise, wind farms along the ocean coast line should be considered to reduce extended turbine blade icing.

These wind/solar farms can not compare to continuous nuclear power provided by small modular Thorium, nuclear systems buried near areas of demand.

Regards,  
George Carter

**From:** [DomKathy Sansotta](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [DomKathy Sansotta](#)  
**Subject:** Horse Heaven Hills Wind Farm Project  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 12:09:11 PM

Public Comment #0018  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [Bill Letourneau](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Wind Turbines in Horse Heaven Hills of Eastern Washington  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 2:18:26 PM

Public Comment #0019  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

Dear Ms. Owens,

I am writing today to voice my displeasure with the proposed wind turbine farm presently being considered for the Horse Heaven Hills near the Tri-Cities in Eastern Washington.

The hills around here are magnificent vistas that for miles can be seen as sentinels to our beautiful and mostly rural life. I'm opposed and displeased at any encroachment onto these beautiful hills and hill tops and especially in the form of wind turbines.

Furthermore I oppose the subsidies needed to insure they are built by all ratepayers in the region. Why would I want to subsidise something as ugly and inefficient as these wind turbines? I don't.

Please consider well the impact of such turbines to our hills in this beautiful part of Washington State and disapprove the permit application for this and any other wind turbine project to clutter and foul our horizons.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Bill Letourneau  
6209 Collins Rd  
West Richland, WA 99353

**From:** [John Butterfield](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Wind turbines  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 2:47:16 PM

Public Comment #0020  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

Please NO!! They are expensive, ugly to those beautiful hills, kill birds, and are most ineffective!! No! No! John and Priscilla Butterfield of Richland

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Laurie Corier](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 3:17:42 PM

Public Comment #0021  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

To whom it may concern; my family has lived in Benton County Washington since 1986. I have objections to the proposal by Scout Clean Energy to build more windmills in the Horse Heaven Hills. Aside from littering our skyline with these monstrosities I would like more info on cleanup. Years down the road when these projects are abandoned who is fiscally and legally responsible for removing these environmental dangers? I would also like to see assurances that the power generated will stay in our county to reduce costs. Thank you for your consideration.  
Sincerely, Laurie Corier.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Sandra LePage](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Scout Energy Windmills  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 11:49:07 PM

Public Comment #0022  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

Re: Proposed Benton County Windmill Farm

Windmill energy is amazingly expensive, only operates when there is wind, is dangerous to birds, and creates an eyesore. There are so many windmills in Eastern Washington and Eastern Oregon that many of our formerly pristine vistas are blighted by those monstrosities. Please don't give Scout Energy a permit to build more of them in our area.

Sincerely,  
Sandra LePage  
60 Terrace Dr.  
Pasco, WA 99301  
(509) 531-5445

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Rose Fontenot](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Horse heaven hills south  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 10:24:13 PM

Public Comment #0023  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

Ms.Owens,

I am deeply opposed to this wind turbine project that is being reviewed for Horse Heaven Hills South here near the Tri-Cities. Just clutters up our skyline and kills our feathered friends. Plus I am generally opposed to these turbines as they are not recyclable and get buried to “dispose” of them after their “life-cycle.”

Thank you for noting my objection

Rose A Fontenot  
Pasco, WA



**From:** [\(null\).haylexgrant](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Tri Cities Windfarms  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 9:54:02 PM

Public Comment #0024  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

EFSEC,

I oppose any new wind farms in the Tri Cities area , and the State of Washington should as well deny any application. Benton PUD has already covered most valid and factual points opposing any wind farm projects in the area. They will cause more damage than good according to much data. There are already plenty of jobs in the area and the local economy does not need the wind farm as an excuse to allegedly boost the economy. The area also does not need any further visual obstruction ruining the environment . The wildlife is also potentially at risk. The wind farms are an environmental eye sore , and there are possible future problems for wind farm unsightly wind graveyards. There are better energy options already available that are more efficient, lower costing, and more reliable. If the state is concerned about wildlife and environmental preservation, then they will say no to any further wind farm applications and disapprove Scout energies application. Benton County already has not shown any support for another such wind farm project . Please show respect to the regions wishes as it appears that the majority of the citizens who have no special interest in such a project are against it.

Thank you,

Mr. Lawrence

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Hugh Jasscock](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 9:54:16 PM

Public Comment #0025  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Hugh Jasscock

Benton City, WA 99320

**From:** [Nik Arousa](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 10:16:57 PM

Public Comment #0026  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Nik Arousa  
4103 Meadowsweet St  
Pasco, WA 99301

**From:** [Jaeda Starz](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Friday, March 5, 2021 1:43:48 AM

Public Comment #0027  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Jaeda Starz  
3607 W Kennewick Ave  
Kennewick, WA 99336

**From:** [Erica Grissmerson](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Friday, March 5, 2021 8:09:33 AM

Public Comment #0028  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Erica Grissmerson  
5504 Aloha Dr  
West Richland, WA 99353

**From:** [Bobby Morgan](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** wind turbines  
**Date:** Friday, March 5, 2021 9:32:09 AM

Public Comment #0029  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #2110011

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External Email

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I am writing today to voice my displeasure with the proposed wind turbine farm presently being considered for the Horse Heaven Hills near the Tri-Cities in Eastern Washington.

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You can see how well they worked for Texas recently.  
Thank You  
Bobby Morgan  
105303 E 1049 PR SE  
Kennewick, WA. 99338

**From:** [Andres Gonzalez](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Friday, March 5, 2021 8:56:41 AM

Public Comment #0030  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Andres Gonzalez  
906 S Dawes St  
Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [Judy](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** We Oppose the Horse Heaven Hills Turbine Wind Farm  
**Date:** Friday, March 5, 2021 8:43:33 PM

Public Comment #0031  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

External Email

Dear Ms. Joan Owens,  
EFSEC Secretary Supervisor

3/5/21

My husband I live in the Tripple Vista area of Southeast Kennewick and learned about Scout Clean Energy's plan to erect approximately 500-foot wind turbines on our all-encompassing view of the Horse Heaven Hills to the south of us. This project is of significant concern to us, from both an environmental and property valuation standpoint. We want to protect, save and preserve our ridges in the Horse Heaven Hills and keep those 500-foot turbines away from our skylines. The Horse Heaven Hills are some of the most beautiful hills in our state and we don't want our beautiful panoramic landscape ridges marred by a turbine wind farm. These hills are the home of bald eagles, burrowing owls, Canada geese, and the recently re-introduced pronghorn antelope. This project would destroy twenty-four miles from Finley to Benton City of naturally beautiful hilltops overlooking the Tri-Cities. The annoying noise and flashing red lights at night will be an irritation to what is normally quiet, peaceful evenings. This wind farm will reduce our home values and cause difficulties in selling our home due to these distracting, intrusive turbines. Also, these gigantic turbines will injure and kill many migratory birds on their sky highway to the South such as sand hill cranes, Canadian geese, ducks, blue herons, snow geese, etc. Thousands of these birds fly over our homes in the fall and I and my neighbors have pictures to prove it. These turbines could injure, kill and devastate many predatory birds like bald eagles, hawks and owls. We don't know how other bird species in our area will be affected like pheasants, doves, chukars, quail, hummingbirds, warblers, wood peckers, finches, etc. We don't know how it will affect the antelope that have recently migrated to the Horse Heaven Hills. As you can see, this project will be damaging in numerous ways to our area. Our neighborhood doesn't want these landscape-destroying projects connected to the electric grid for customers in far-away areas such as Los Angeles, Portland and Seattle. If they want the power, they can have these turbines in their area, not ours. We support President Biden's effort to build more offshore wind sites. Generally, these sites are not visible from land and they are much closer to the population centers where the energy is needed. We moved to the country to enjoy the beauty, peace and quiet it provides and don't want it destroyed by ugly, noisy, irritating turbines that kill the lovely birds that use the sky highway above us as they migrate south.

Thank you,



Gene & Judy Guse  
104902 E Tripple Vista Dr  
Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [Len Burton](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Benton County wind farm  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 5:27:07 AM

Public Comment #0032  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

I am opposed to building the proposed project to build a wind farm in Benton County, WA.

I feel the state has allowed the many wind farms in eastern Washington because the population base is smaller than Western Washington. The opposition to wind farms in populated areas of western Washington would prevent similar projects in those areas of our state. Why should opposition to this project not have equal weight?

I feel any such projects should be equally located in the counties of our state based on population density. IE, the greater the population, the greater the number of projects.

Benton County already provides more electricity than any other county in our state. Why should Benton County have to shoulder the need to provide more?

Len Burton  
308 Sanlyn Ct  
Benton City, WA. 99320  
Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

**From:** [Jim Fulton](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Objection to Scout Energy Wind Farm Proposal  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 6:47:00 AM

**Public Comment #0033**  
**Horse Heaven Wind Farm**  
**Docket #210011**

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External Email

Ms. Owens,

I urge the UTC to deny the Horse Heaven Wind Farm proposed by Scout Energy. I reside in Benton County, close to the proposed site and I am against the project for the following reasons.

1. Financial burden to the local tax payers of Benton county. Taxpayers will be asked to underwrite construction through Federal tax credits with little or no direct return.

a) Environmental impacts from operations to migratory birds and other protected creatures will also inhibit access for hiking and hunting to state owned and leased controlled lands;

b) the high cost of disposing of retired and failed windmill components when this project fails, many of which are not recyclable and are difficult disposal challenges.

c) Scout Energy is proposing to include solar energy power stations as a part of their project. This expanded scope will disrupt a larger construction footprint and increase failed or retired equipment disposal costs.

2. Very low efficiency of wind generated power.

a) Wind energy is not a viable contributor to the energy grid (less than 3%) and this company does not have one client enlisted to buy the power prior to construction.

b) High likelihood all power generated will be exported to non local users who will be left with the eyesore and environmental scars.

c) Benton County PUD commissioners are on record for not endorsing this project.

3. Real estate devaluation. The windmills proposed are in excess of 500 ft tall, create considerable operating distractions and number greater than 400 across the skyline from Kennewick to Benton City. The eyesore they create for the low contribution of power in the name of green energy is not worth compromising the appeal to live in this area.

Sincerely,

James T. Fulton III  
106206 E Tripple Vista Drive  
Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [Brent Strecker](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Please oppose the Horse Heaven Hills Wind project  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 8:24:29 AM

Public Comment #0034  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

Ms. Joan Owens,

3/6/2021

I have lived and enjoyed the wide-open areas in Kennewick and Horse Heaven Hills from the time I arrived here as a child in the early 1970's. My wife and I have been blessed to have the Horse Heaven Hills as our backyard and is now proposed for the wind project. This is extremely heart breaking to us. The power from this will go other places, kill significant numbers of migratory birds and scare off the precious wildlife we enjoy so much. It will also devalue our home that we have put so much time and money into. Please help save all Tri-citian's prominent defining view to the south. I have yet to find a Tri-citian in favor of this project and in fact the relatively few that are aware are strongly opposed. Please help maintain all Tri-citian's quality of life by denying the Horse Heaven Hills wind project.

Thank you,

D. Brent & Karen Strecker

35401 S. Valley Vista PRSE

Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [kmburn@gmail.com](mailto:kmburn@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to the Horse Heaven Hills Wind Farm Project  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 10:05:23 AM

Public Comment #0035  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

My husband and I want to express our opposition to the subject project. Others have offered multiple reasons and we agree with everyone of them. Please add our names to the list of opposers.

Karen and Thomas Brun

**From:** [kmburn@gmail.com](mailto:kmburn@gmail.com)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to the Horse Heaven Hills Wind Farm Project  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 10:05:23 AM

Public Comment #0036  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

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Karen and Thomas Brun

**From:** [Chuck Henager](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Scout Wind Farm Benton County  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 5:51:49 PM

Public Comment #0037  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

I am writing to oppose the proposed Scout Energy Wind Farm. It will obstruct and ruin some of our most scenic views looking south from Kennewick and Richland. I feel that the loss of these views is not worth the price of this renewable energy. There are many wind farms in Washington and Oregon that are complete eyesores and this will end up being one more eyesore.

Please do not allow Scout energy to obtain a permit to build this monstrosity fo a wind farm here.

Chuck Henager  
[chenager1166@charter.net](mailto:chenager1166@charter.net)  
509-539-4319

**From:** [Fred Lieske](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Scout Wind Farm  
**Date:** Sunday, March 7, 2021 5:07:04 PM

Public Comment #0038  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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External Email

I bought a house here in Horn Rapids 2 years ago, and I just love living here !  
The proposed Scout wind farm will be located on the highest positions possible,. and will no doubt be easily seen from our neighborhood of 1200 homes. What an ugly scar upon our beautiful hills, it could be a lasting negative view for us to have to look at, this doesn't have to be that way. This Scout Energy is not an American company, we do not want to be paying out money to foreign speculators, and be left with our beautiful landscapes permanently made to look ugly, property values could be negatively affected, and the hills would forever be devastated beyond repair. Another concern is all the birds that would be killed in the process of constructing and worse yet, the operationing of these giant bird killing machines. We are located on major bird, geese, duck, and crane migratory routes, and their numbers would be drastically reduced.  
I appears to me that Scout wished to apply through state channels instead of first testing the local waters, they fear the intense and growing opposition of the local citizens.  
Please do not give Scout a green light to build, it would be disastrous.  
Fred Lieske 509 539-8605



**From:** [Jim Conca](#)  
**To:** [Owens, Joan \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Forbes - Wind Turbines On Washington's Horse Heaven Hills  
**Date:** Monday, March 8, 2021 10:05:11 AM

Public Comment #0039  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

External Email

Dear Ms. Owens,

I thought you might like to see the article on this issue I posted this morning on Forbes. This really isn't a good thing for the Tri-Cities.

Thank you for all your efforts!

Jim

Dr. James Conca, Trustee  
Herbert M. Parker Foundation  
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Richland, WA 99352  
509-205-7541  
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[Forbes.com](#) Science Contributor  
<http://www.forbes.com/sites/jamesconca/>

### **Wind Turbines On Washington's Horse Heaven Hills – How Not To Pursue A Green New Deal**

A company out of Boulder, CO called Scout Clean Energy has applied for a permit to build a massive turbine wind farm in Washington State on the Horse Heaven Hills, circumventing the local government. But they're building it in the wrong state for the wrong reasons and the people of this area are not happy about it.

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/jamesconca/2021/03/08/wind-turbines-on-washingtons-horse-heaven-hills--how-not-to-pursue-a-green-new-deal/>



**From:** [Thaddeus Nokes](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Friday, March 5, 2021 1:07:36 PM

Public Comment #0040  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Thaddeus Nokes  
5419 Tiger Ln  
Pasco, WA 99301

**From:** [Esteban Ortiz](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 7:18:43 AM

Public Comment #0041  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
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Respectfully,

Esteban Ortiz  
2895 Pauling Ave  
Richland, WA 99354

**From:** [Geni Anderson](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Saturday, March 6, 2021 2:26:18 PM

Public Comment #0042  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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Respectfully,

Geni Anderson  
3016 S Cascade St  
Kennewick, WA 99337

**From:** [Christina Bynum](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Sunday, March 7, 2021 9:42:05 AM

Public Comment #0043  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
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Christina Bynum  
50 Main St  
Pasco, WA 99301

**From:** [Carla Chiotti](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Sunday, March 7, 2021 1:48:14 PM

Public Comment #0044  
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Respectfully,

Carla Chiotti  
1909 Dogwood Pl  
Richland, WA 99352

**From:** [Alyson Jarvis](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Sunday, March 7, 2021 3:28:03 PM

Public Comment #0045  
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Respectfully,

Alyson Jarvis  
213 S Waverly St  
Kennewick, WA 99336



**From:** [Cody Sapp](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Sunday, March 7, 2021 7:51:27 PM

Public Comment #0046  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
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Respectfully,

Cody Sapp  
913 E 19th Ave  
Kennewick, WA 99337

**From:** [Luis medina](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Monday, March 8, 2021 6:07:55 AM

Public Comment #0047  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
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Respectfully,

Luis medina

Kennewick, WA 99338

**From:** [sivada davis](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Monday, March 8, 2021 6:59:59 AM

Public Comment #0048  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
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Respectfully,

sivada davis  
800 Austin St  
Bellingham, WA 98229

**From:** [Beverly Sapp](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Monday, March 8, 2021 7:48:39 AM

Public Comment #0049  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
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Beverly Sapp  
804 W 45th Pl  
Kennewick, WA 99337

**From:** [Alexa Ochoa](#)  
**To:** [EFSEC \(UTC\)](#)  
**Subject:** I support the Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
**Date:** Monday, March 8, 2021 8:41:51 AM

Public Comment #0050  
Horse Heaven Wind Farm  
Docket #210011

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