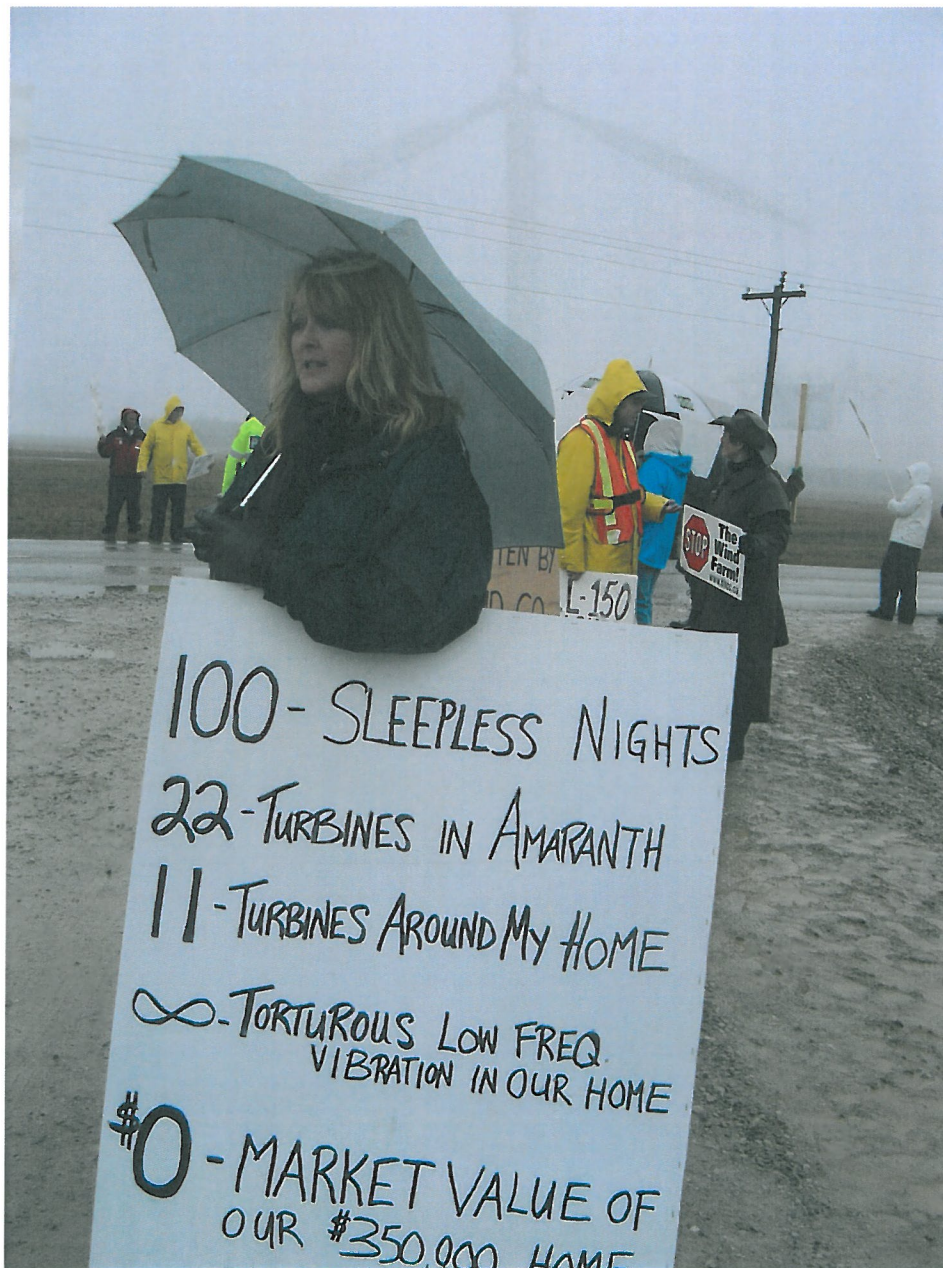


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Barbara Ashbee holding her home made protest sign at ribbon cutting ceremony for the opening of the Enbridge Wind plant near Kincardine. Police prevented anyone without an invitation to see Mr. Smitherman cut the ribbon. The same thing happened at the ribbon cutting ceremony in Melancthon. These are closed door photo opportunities for Premier McGunity's Government.



Wainfleet Wind Energy seeks distribution facilities

DAVE JOHNSON
Tribune Staff

WAINFLEET — Power from Wainfleet Wind Energy Inc.'s proposed wind turbine farm will be collected through an underground distribution system.

The company, which partnered with Rankin Construction Inc. last year, applied to the Ontario Energy Board for the distribution facilities.

Notice of the application and a hearing were presented to Wainfleet council on Tuesday night in the form of correspondence.

Council took the matter behind closed doors based on advice from township clerk Tanya Lamb.

Township CAO Scott Luey said the matter fell under the Municipal Act for litigation or potential litigation, including matters before tribunals.

"Council could ask me to speak to our lawyer about this," Luey said before heading into the closed meeting.

Wainfleet council has passed a moratorium on wind turbines and a two-kilometre setback bylaw for turbines from residences.

That bylaw is currently before the courts. Hearings were held Wednesday and Thursday in St. Catharines, as Wainfleet Wind Energy Inc. has filed a lawsuit against the township over it.

In its application to the energy board, the wind company, owned by the Loeffen family and Rankin, are proposing to build a 27.6-kilovolt underground distribution system for its five turbines. Those turbines are expected to generate nine megawatts of power.

"The applicant proposes to install the distribution system

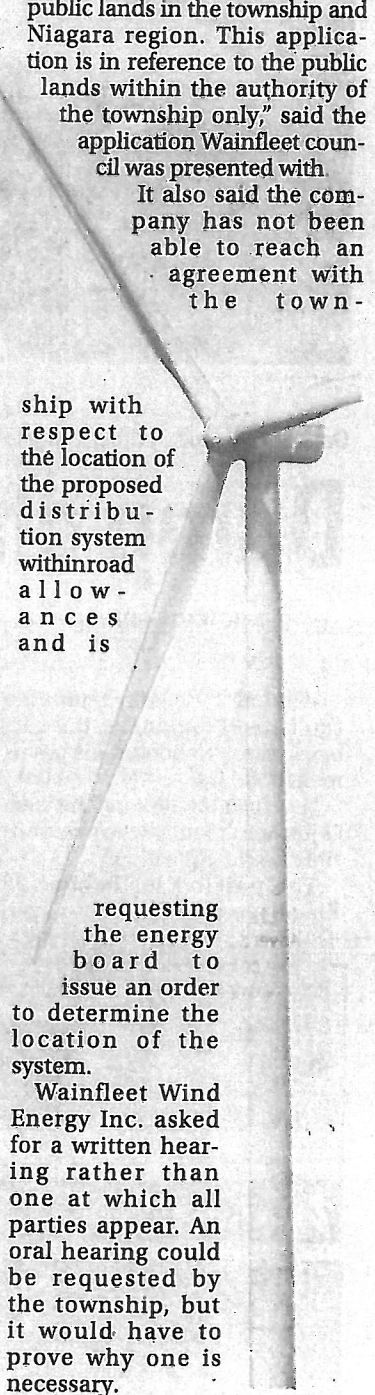
underground upon private and public lands in the township and Niagara region. This application is in reference to the public lands within the authority of the township only," said the application Wainfleet council was presented with.

It also said the company has not been able to reach an agreement with the town-

ship with respect to the location of the proposed distribution system within road allowances and is

requesting the energy board to issue an order to determine the location of the system.

Wainfleet Wind Energy Inc. asked for a written hearing rather than one at which all parties appear. An oral hearing could be requested by the township, but it would have to prove why one is necessary.



Wind lawsuit in the judge's hands now

DAN DAKIN
QMI Agency Niagara

A lawsuit over a controversial bylaw related to a wind turbine development in Wainfleet is now in the hands of a judge.

Wainfleet Mayor April Jeffs said she expects to hear a verdict in the next four to six weeks over whether a two-kilometre setback bylaw enacted by her town council will be allowed to stand.

"If it's completely quashed, we're going to have a lot of disappointed people in Wainfleet and across the province," she said.



Jeffs

The lawsuit is the result of a municipal bylaw passed by Wainfleet town council last year that would force wind turbines to be built at least two kilometres from homes or property lines.

That bylaw was an attempt to overrule the 550-metre setback rule put in place under Ontario's Green Energy Act.

Almost immediately, the township was sued by Wainfleet Wind Energy, a development company led by Niagara developer Tom Rankin, who believes the two-kilometre setback bylaw is illegal under the GEA.

The company plans to build five industrial wind turbines on property leased from private landowners.

The setback issue has been heard in St. Catharines court over the past few months, but last week the case was turned over to Justice Robert Reid.

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Cloudy with sunny breaks
High 3°C, Low -4°C | See C2

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Losing case could be costly to township

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Wainfleet chief administrative officer Scott Luey said it was initially thought it could take up to six months for a verdict to be reached, but the township's lawyer said the judge would "expedite the decision."

Luey believes the verdict will be a clear yes or no, rather than some sort of middle ground.

"I think the bylaw will be rendered null and void if we're not successful, or upheld if we are successful," he said.

Jeffs acknowledges that losing the case

could be a costly result, both financially and politically.

Legal fees for the township are expected to approach \$120,000, and if it loses the case, Wainfleet Wind Energy is expected to ask for its legal fees to be covered as well, which could drive the cost closer to \$250,000.

"It might make a short political career for me, but I would regret it if we didn't fight it because of the genuine concern of the community," Jeffs said.

"We get labeled as NIMBYs, but it's not there are people who genuinely are worried about this. And once they're up, they're

up."

A legal fund has been set up and the mayor said private citizens have been walking into town hall to offer help.

"When that started happening, I was really surprised. You don't hear of that too often," she said.

"It shows how important this is to a number of people."

Whatever the outcome of the lawsuit, Luey said he expects an appeal to be filed by the losing side.

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Wainfleet loses turbine lawsuit

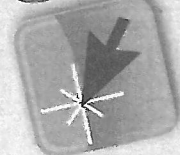
DAVE JOHNSON
Tribune Staff

WAINFLEET — A Superior Court of Ontario judge has ruled Wainfleet's two-kilometre setback for wind turbines invalid.

The decision came down Friday in the lawsuit brought about by Wainfleet Wind Energy Inc. and its owners the Loeffen family and Tom Rankin, head of Rankin Construction, after the township passed its setback bylaw last year.

The bylaw was an attempt by

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said Mayor April Jeffs, who called *The Tribune* after learning of the decision late Friday afternoon.

Jeffs, with obvious disappointment in her voice, said as much as people outside of Wainfleet think there's no reason to be opposed to wind turbines and that green energy is good, residents in her town-



Jeffs

ship, and across Ontario, have genuine concerns. "People are worried about their health, getting sick and having to leave their homes. They're also worried about property devaluation," she said, adding that, too, was one of her concerns.

Jeffs said some of the five wind turbines proposed by Wainfleet Wind Energy Inc. could have a potential impact on Skydive Burnaby.

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■ LAWSUIT

'We'll still push forward on this issue'

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"I feel like this is a loss for the people ... they were really hoping we'd made some headway. It's a loss not just for our residents, but for residents in Haldimand, West Lincoln and beyond."

Despite the judgment, and her own disappointment in the decision rendered by Justice R.B. Reed, the mayor said the decision is not a total loss.

Wainfleet, she said, has paved the way for other municipalities in Ontario and has grabbed a lot of attention in the fight against wind turbines.

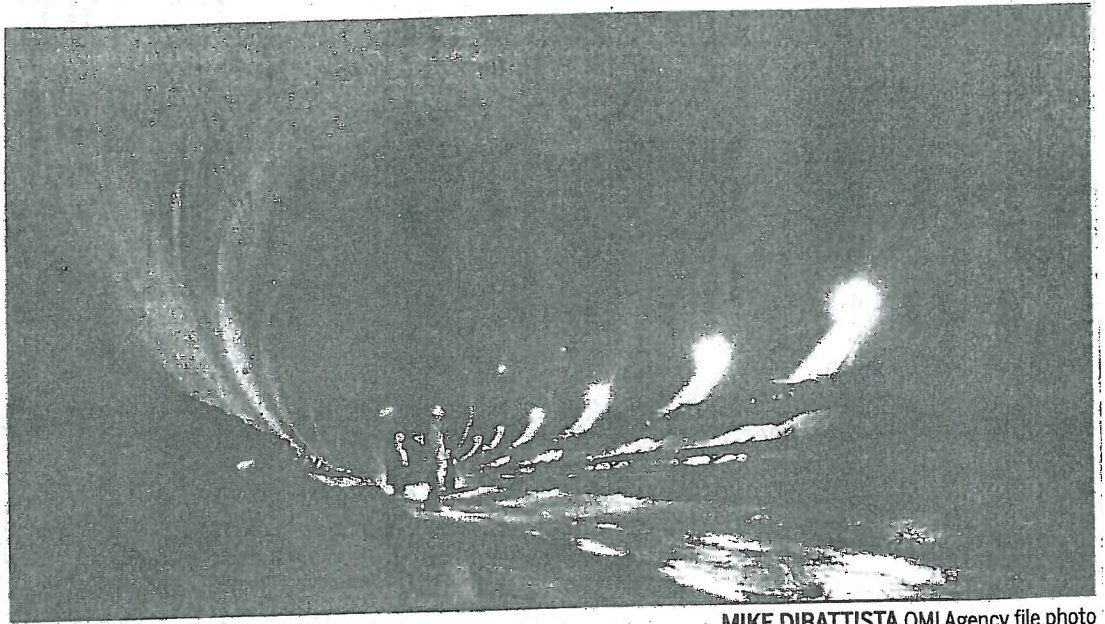
"We've collaborated with a lot of other municipalities and will continue to do that ... we'll still push forward on this issue," said Jeffs, adding the township has had a lot of support in its fight.

The mayor doesn't know yet whether Wainfleet will appeal the decision as she had yet to speak to other councillors. She planned to speak with aldermen and various residents late Friday.

While no dollar figure has been established, sources said the lawsuit could cost Wainfleet upwards of \$200,000 for its costs and that of Wainfleet Wind Energy Inc.

A complete copy of the decision can be found on *The Tribune* website with this story.

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The Niagara Tunnel Project will celebrate another milestone, this morning, when it's expected dignitaries will announce that water is flowing through the tunnel.

Water flowing through tunnel

RAY SPITERI
QMI Agency Niagara

NIAGARA FALLS — Now that the water has started to flow, the Niagara Tunnel Project is essentially in service.

A source familiar with the project told QMI Agency Niagara politicians will announce this morning that after seven years of hard work, the tunnel is ready to go.

"There's still more work to be done — the site has to be rehabilitated, but basically the tunnel is working. Water is flowing through the tunnel," said the source.

Ontario Minister of Energy Bob Chiarelli will be joined by Minister of Environment Jim Bradley and Niagara Falls MPP Kim Craitor at the Ontario Power Generation visitors' centre on the Niagara Pkwy. in Niagara-on-the-Lake to mark the milestone.

There will be a media and dignitary tour of the Sir Adam Beck 2 turbine hall floor, followed by the announcement and a tour of the outlet channel.

Today's "major milestone" comes four months after former Energy Minister Chris Bentley was in town to mark the last pouring of concrete for the \$1.6-billion project, which will carry water from the upper Niagara River to the Sir Adam Beck generating stations. That will provide enough hydroelectricity to power 160,000 homes each year, according to the province.

The project began in 2006. It was supposed to be completed by the end of 2009. That date, and the initial \$1-billion cost, was revised when Big Becky, the world's largest hard-rock tunnel-boring machine, ran into tougher-than expected conditions along its 10.2-kilometre route.

Boring the tunnel wrapped up in May 2011, and work to line the 14.4-metre diameter walls with concrete was completed in November 2012.

Ontario Power Generation, owned by the province, contracted Strabag AG, an Austrian excavation company, to build the tunnel.

WHO
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Who

Energy Minister Bob Chiarelli, Environment Minister Jim Bradley, Niagara Falls MPP Kim Craitor

What

Niagara Tunnel Project announcement

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To mark the milestone of water flowing through the tunnel

ANOTHER EXAMPLE
OF WHY WE DO NOT
NEED TURBINES IN
OUR AREA & NIAGARA
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Energy 'nightmare'

Rural Ontario paying the price for Liberals' power folly

Out of sight, out of mind. That's the only way to explain the complacency urban residents have for the desecration of rural Ontario.

Politicians from small towns across the province came to Queen's Park Thursday demanding the Wynne government return decision-making to the local councils.

The Green Energy Act stripped local politicians of any say in the siting of wind and solar farms in their communities.

Huron-Bruce MPP Lisa Thompson brought a private member's bill to the Legislature Thursday that would restore local decision making to such projects. She says they're forcing up the cost of electricity and causing job losses in the manufacturing sector.

Thompson says companies in her riding are struggling to pay their soaring hydro costs. One auto-parts company,



Queen's Park

West Cast Industries, told her it had had an extra \$5 million added to its bill over the past nine months by way of the so-called "global adjustment" to pay for green energy.

Those staggering costs are forcing companies to move to places where electricity is cheaper. A Volvo plant once

located in Goderich has moved to Pennsylvania.

An iconic local food producer, E.D. Smith, is shuttering its Seaforth salad dressing plant and moving to the United States in June.

"We need affordable energy for Ontario to

prosper," Thompson told a news conference Thursday.

Kevin Marriott, mayor of Enniskillen, said the GEA has been "nothing short of a nightmare for our community."

Industrial turbines have become one of the most divisive issues he's ever dealt with in his Lambton county municipality.

Local politicians have lost their local voice.

"People in Enniskillen are concerned that the cost of these industrial wind turbines is killing our existing manufacturing and not generating any new business," he said.

A chemical company was about to expand rubber production in a neighbouring municipality, but decided it couldn't justify the cost of electricity compared to the U.S.

"That decision will cost my area hundreds of jobs," Marriott told reporters.

Kincardine Mayor Larry Kraemer said the lack of local input means councils can't

even protect their airports and lakeshore from the burgeoning ugly forests of giant turbines.

There are already 118 turbines in his region, with proposals for more than 100 more.

The irony is that his town is home to the Bruce nuclear plant.

He said the 37% drop in production of coal-fired electricity corresponds exactly to the increased amount of electricity that's being produced by the refurbishment of the province's nuclear plants.

It has nothing to do with wind or solar.

"We find it somewhat misleading that wind power is getting credit for the reduction in coal use, when the numbers absolutely, categorically show that it's the refurbishment of the nuclear power plants that's done that," Kraemer said.

"They operate almost 100% of the time and at a third of the cost, with no emissions whatsoever.

"We know the power demand is dropping in Ontario, so we ask, why more of these things (turbines) are coming when the power isn't needed?"

In the Legislature, PC leader Tim Hudak talked about a Niagara food packaging company that compared electricity costs here with their plant in Texas. It's 69% more here.

Here's the truth of what's happening: It's not Alberta and the price of oil that's killing jobs here and hollowing out the economy. It's our own homegrown government that has bungled the electricity file at every turn.

They spent \$275 million to scrap a gas plant to save a couple of seats in Mississauga.

Rural Ontario, meanwhile, bears the brunt of their folly green giant.

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The new premier, Kathleen Wynne, was pelted with complaints about the Green Energy Act on her recent tour of the province. She has admitted "we didn't get it perfect the first time around," and has vowed to win back the trust of rural Ontario, personally taking on the role of Minister of Agriculture for her first year in office. Can she mend these torn communities; compensate wind activists for the time, energy and money they have poured into this fight; repair the psychic and physical damage of industrial wind turbines?

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Ontario needs a wind energy moratorium

Who am I? I am a NIMBY, also known as "non-participating receptor," also a mother of two very small children, ages two and three months.

I currently live in Lowbanks on the beautiful shores of Lake Erie. My husband and I moved out here September 2012. Our real estate agent did not disclose to us that there would be an Industrial Wind Turbine (IWT) project occurring in our "backyard."

We are at risk to lose everything we have worked so hard for, including our health, our children's health, our dream home, employment (due to working in finance and the possibility of having to claim bankruptcy if we must walk away from our devalued mortgage) and our dreams of retiring in our beautiful home.

The Liberals are lying to the Ontario public by saying that we have the furthest setbacks in North America with regards to proximity and noise. There are further setbacks in Nova Scotia, Quebec and even Saskatchewan- 32 places across North America and even Europe!

Dr. Arlene King's report from 2010 is wrong in claiming that IWTs do not affect people's health. She is not following the definition of health under the United Nations Charter and there is tons of evidence that

health effects include sleep deprivation, tinnitus, vertigo, heart palpitations etc..

Electricity costs under the Feed-In Tariff (FIT) program are not in Ontario's best interest. There are no green jobs created; we are losing jobs because our electricity prices are soaring!

This is reported in the Ontario Auditor General's report 2001, from IESO in addition to our Society of Professional Engineers.

Here is a quote from the Engineer's report: "The FIT rate of 13.5 cents/kWh is only for energy delivery if wind turbines are not dispatched. To effectively integrate wind into Ontario's grid you need to either dispatch wind or install significant amounts of seasonal storage. The true cost of wind energy is therefore much higher than the FIT rate. "

Wind energy is not green. The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers have expressed how hydro spillage needs to happen in order to make room on our grid for wind power that we do not need.

They conclude that wind production increases greenhouse gas emissions due to more gas fired back-up generation.

This emits more greenhouse gasses than displaced hydro or nuclear generation.

The rotors are made from rare Earth metals that must be mined in China, leaving a bad carbon footprint, plus the blades are not recyclable.

There are currently many lawsuits from families in Ontario who now need to fight for their Charter rights or for property values they have lost.

The Canadian Wind Energy Association (CANWEA) does not take into account the numerous studies or reports from across North America linked to property value decreases.

The Ministry of the Environment (MOE) does not have equipment for their field officers in place in order to monitor or test noise issues for Ontario residents, although they impose a 40dBA (decibel) sound limit (this information released with the Freedom of Information Act).

An esteemed professor, Nicholas Kouwen from the University of Waterloo, even tested an area himself over six months, and he proved the sound levels were higher than the 40dBA limit 86 per cent of the time- not including low frequency noise, which Health Canada is currently doing a study on.

Marianne Kidd,
Lowbanks

3) Industrial Wind Turbines

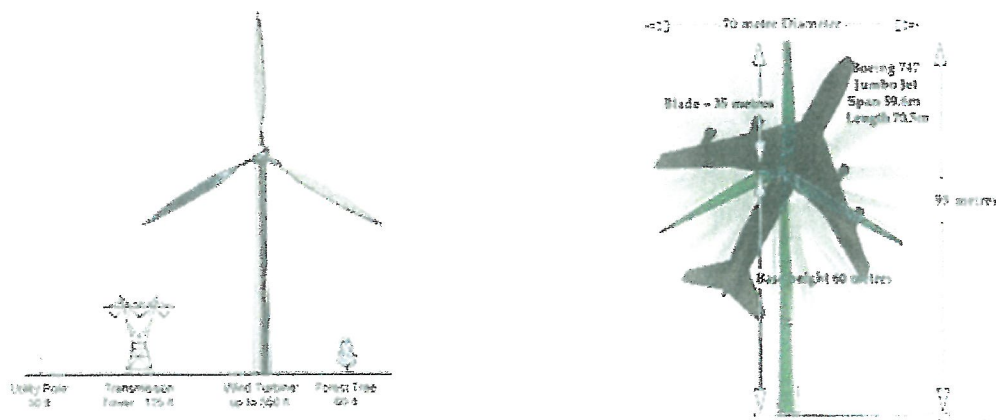
Scars On The Rural Landscape

By Denny Manchee<<http://watershedmagazine.com/?author=28>>

A few see these machines as income, while many more see them as a blight on the landscape.

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Vestas V100 1.8 MW turbines have been selected by IPC for our area. They are 145 metres tall. (approx. 475.7 feet)

The turbines selection by Niagara Region Wind Corporation are 587 feet tall.

Nah, this little windmill won't effect your property value...

photo by Bonny McKeough [Industrial Wind Action Group](#)

This photo shows wind turbine at the Erieau-Blenheim project which is located on the north shore of Lake Erie around Blenheim.

This tower is 90m tall. Each blade is 44m.
 Total approx. 439 feet.

Proposed IPC turbines - approx. 475 feet

Proposed NRWC Turbines - approx. 587 feet

16. Demonstration outside Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health Building in Orangeville ON.



MPP Sylvia Jones support

TURBINES TOWNS COME TOGETHER

BY LUKE EDWARDS
STAFF

Those attending last Friday's Wainfleet Township green energy symposium are hoping it's the start of a productive relationship.

More than 20 municipalities took part in Friday's symposium, which was held at the Jericho House in Wainfleet. The township organized the symposium with the hopes of developing strategies for dealing with, and creating a united voice against wind turbine projects.

"It's a great turnout of like-minded municipalities at the table," said mayor April Jeffs.

Representatives included councillors and senior staff members from communities around Ontario, including municipalities from throughout southwestern Ontario and up along Lake Huron and Georgian Bay. The symposium began with a list of speakers, including: John Kennedy, who spoke about municipal/wind developer agreements; Carmen Krogh, who spoke about the health and socio-economic impacts of turbine developments; and John Laforet, who spoke about what new premier Kathleen Wynne means for green energy projects.

"It was a good sharing of information on how to fight turbines," said Nigel Warren, a councillor for Tiny Township. His city council fought two turbine proposals for projects on Christian Island. Both projects have since been nixed.

In the afternoon, attendees split into three groups to hold workshops.

Coming out of the workshops were two main

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A rally was held outside the Wainfleet green energy symposium last Friday to show support for the more than 20 municipalities that met to discuss how to deal with turbine projects. Residents from throughout southwestern and central Ontario came out to the rally.

LUKE EDWARDS/STAFF PHOTO

Outside the meeting dozens of anti-turbine residents held a rally in support of the meeting and municipalities fighting turbine projects. Local residents, including many from the West Lincoln Wind Action Group were joined by residents from one voice.

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Protest rally regarding Wind turbines outside Liberal Premier election in Toronto.

Of interest is the news media only talked, and interviewed the Teacher and Union Protestors. They never even mentioned the Wind turbine protestors. The Liberals are close to being Dictators, since they control the news media.

#5: Partnered with Foreign owned Conglomerates (Highland Company and Elexco), with no long term benefit to Melancthon.

Elexco group was hired by Dufferin Wind to have homeowners sign contracts to permit a transmission line across their properties. Elexco meanwhile redrafted the Canadian Hydro Developers Phase two contracts to permit land surface leases from the rail bed to the proposed Highlands quarry. Elexco is the link for the rail's surface land leases, Dufferin Wind, Dillon Consulting, Highlands and Ontario Petroleum .

Foreign ownership is dominating wind projects in Ontario. The Plateau project, with 7 GE 1.5MW turbines in Melancthon, has been taken over by the Japanese company Mitsui and Co Lt. where a three way partnership has developed between 30% MIT Renewables, 30% Fiera Axiom and 40% GDF Suez Canada.

http://www.mitsui.com/jp/en/release/2012/1199414_3607.html Also WPD is a German Based company that has a wind proposal for Dufferin County.

In 2008, Highland Companies aka Baupost were looking for a corridor from Melancthon to Owen Sound to "enhance" their existing agricultural operations, they said.

In 2009 Orangeville and Highlands entered into an agreement of purchase and sale, with Highlands agreeing to

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Oceans in danger

According to Rob Stewart, biolo-
gist and filmmaker, unless things
change, by 2048 the oceans will be
fished out because of wasteful com-
mercial fishing practices which drag
the bottom and toss away the non-
targeted fish.

By 2070, the coral reefs will start
dissolving due to the high acidifica-
tion of our oceans, which is 30%
higher than pre-industrial revolu-
tion days. But he is optimistic: for
about \$250 billion a year (¼ of the
USA defence budget), this could be
corrected if countries would begin
subsidizing things that are good
for the planet such as solar panels
rather than oil.

But people must become aware
of the problem so they can per-
suade their government to act. Rob
Stewart's movie, *Revolution*, is being
shown in theatres beginning on

April 12. David Suzuki says it is a
must see

Keith Rae
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Humane society needs leadership change

To the city of St. Catharines:
Time to change the leadership,
membership and policy of the
Lincoln County Humane Society.

Why are you afraid to make
changes to an obviously dysfunc-
tional humane society that doesn't
meet the needs or wishes of the
people council are supposed to
represent?

I am saddened to see such a bla-
tant disregard for democracy. LCHS
should be there for the animals, not
the people running the LCHS.

Irene Wilson
Ennismore, Ont.

Industrial wind turbine dispute

Industrial wind turbine instal-
lations projected for Wainfleet are
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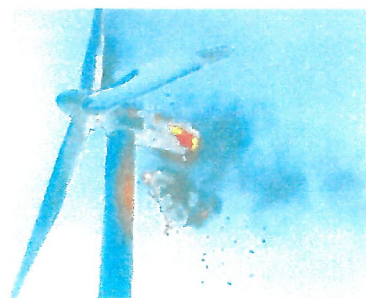
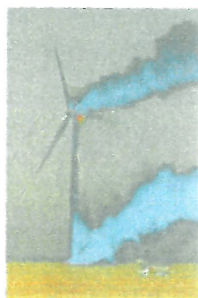
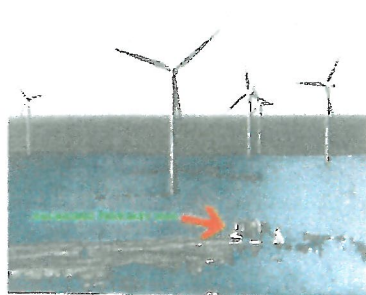
Wind Energy wants to have it both
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rium on all industrial wind turbine
development until such time as a
corrective action is taken on the 550-
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with the results of the federal health
study to be released in 2014.

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It is with much sadness and great
despair we drive through our neigh-
bouring community of Lowbanks
to see the industrial presence of
these wind turbines soaring over
their homes, and one thing above
all stands out: no wildlife. One
could describe it as catastrophic.
We are not so naive, gullible and
apathetic as to stand by and allow
this to happen to us. And so, before
this goes any further, our petition
will be presented to the Legislative
Assembly of Ontario.

Katherine Pilon
Wainfleet





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- The Bald Eagle builds the largest nest of any North American bird, up to 4 meters (13 ft) deep, 2.5 meters (8 ft) wide, and one tonne in weight.
 - The Bald Eagle is extremely sensitive to human activity, and is found most commonly in areas free of human disturbance.
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- [57 active bald eagle nests in Southern Ontario in 2011](#)



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Occasionally some species of birds become over populated (not Bald Eagles). In some cases it makes good scientific sense to reduce these overpopulations. This is generally done by somehow disrupting the reproduction of the birds. One of the most effective ways to do this is to alter the nesting sites or nests.

Who does the MNR think they are going to fool here? Not a proud day for the MNR or Ontario.

You can be sure they will hear from me.



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Pictures: [Eagle Nest Destruction, before, during and after](#)

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On the morning of January 5th, 2013 Nextera Energy removed a bald eagle nest (species of special concern in Ontario), and the tree it was in, in order to accommodate an access road and a wind turbine for their company in the Summerhaven project in Haldimand Cty. The MNR [gave a permit](#) for the company to do so the night before.



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Send a message to the key decision makers by filling out the form below with your own comments or **copy and paste the following message into the comment section below:**

I, as a resident of Ontario am outraged at the destruction and ultimate displacement of the eagles and their habitat. The mismanagement of The Ministry of Natural Resources at the request of foreign based companies in order to erect wind turbines is irresponsible and unacceptable. Additionally, it is an outrage that the MNR posted their decision on Friday January 4th after 5 pm, for the distinct purposes of not allowing local residents to express their concerns over this action. Ontarians are watching.

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WINDFARMS PLANNED FOR HURON SHORELINE



...this is a two storey home!

'Wind farms' are being planned in your area, please be aware these are not your typical grandparent's windmills! These monsters are huge, industrial structures which will be a constant annoyance.

BE AWARE:

Once these turbines are erected, **property values will go down**, and for many that will mean less money for retirement!

Electricity costs are 'out of control', due in part to huge subsidies of wind power, at the same time our province is **experiencing extraordinary debt!**

The planning of these 'wind farms' is **deceptive** and their **construction benefits only a few**, leaving families and communities divided!

Landowners lose their rights thanks to government and big wind energy companies!

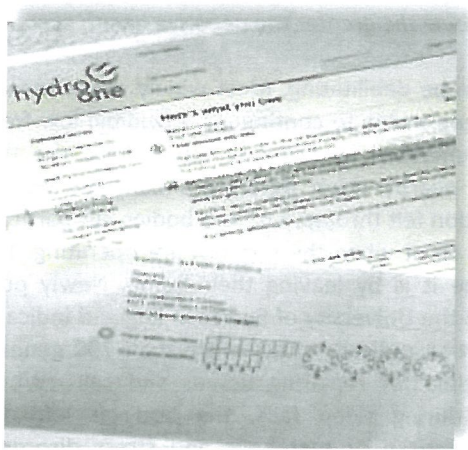
Our environment, Tundra swans, birds and bats will be destroyed!

Neighbours of these 'wind farms' can suffer from migraines, tinnitus, nausea, sleep disruption, depression, anxiety, and cardiovascular problems!

Educate yourself on your options, for further information regarding wind power: www.ontario-wind-resistance.org or www.na-paw.org

For further discussion on what your options are regarding the Grand Bend wind project contact: dgriffil661@rogers.com - Dave Griffiths.

Bluewater Against Turbines (B.A.T.)



Fed up with skyrocketing hydro bills?

Sick of Ontario government scandals wasting our money?

We've had enough of the wind turbine scam! Join us!

Why we're marching today

We're here to protest the *Feed In Tariff (FIT) Forum* going on right now inside the Toronto Conference Centre. It's a convention that includes many wind turbine companies designed to lobby the government to build more wind turbines, pay higher rates for the electricity they produce and influence government energy policy for the benefit of foreign multinationals who now own Ontario's wind turbines.

We've come from all over Ontario to tell Premier Wynne we've had enough of **THE BIG GREEN LIE** which is making our electricity prices skyrocket. We now pay more for hydro than all but two other places in North America!

High electricity prices are harmful to everyone—householders, businesses and manufacturers. They mean job losses and unemployment. Energy poverty affects families and children, seniors and students-- everyone who is trying to make ends meet.

Government subsidies to wind energy producers are bankrupting our economy

Government support for wind turbines and Ontario Power Authority (OPA) handling of 20 year FIT contract prices for wind generation (double conventional electricity price) has resulted in a rapid increase in Ontario electricity prices to consumers.

Electricity bills are rising 15% a year to pay for unrealistically generous payments to wind turbine operators.

They will keep rising to pay for new hydro lines to bring the wind energy to the cities, new gas plants needed to back up

wind energy, and eventually payments to keep the turbines from producing anything at all!

Why wind turbines are a huge scam

The Auditor General's Annual Report 2011 says: we pay twice for wind energy. Once to the wind energy producers and once again to build and run inefficient fossil-fuelled back up 24/7 in case the wind drops.

But that's only the beginning. The government-negotiated 20 year contracts guarantee payment whether we can use the electricity they produce or not. Unfortunately much of the wind is available at times when demand is low. Since there is no technology to store this volume of electricity, we have to sell it off to consumers outside Ontario (U.S.A.) at less than it cost us. A lose/lose situation for consumers and a win/win arrangement for the multinationals. Even worse: there are times when we have to pay other provinces and the USA to take the energy off our hands in order to maintain grid stability!

The IESO (Independent Electricity System Operator) says we'll soon be paying the wind companies \$200 million a year to put the brakes on the turbines to keep the grid from crashing.

How wind energy produces more CO₂

The government claims we need the wind turbines to shut down polluting coal. But wind energy can't replace coal-fired electricity because it is unpredictable. That's why they need gas-fired generation as back up. More wind turbines will require more gas plants. More gas plants, running inefficiently on standby mean more CO₂ emissions. And when there's too much wind, we are now shutting down emission free hydro and nuclear. This means we are paying three times for the wind produced electricity.

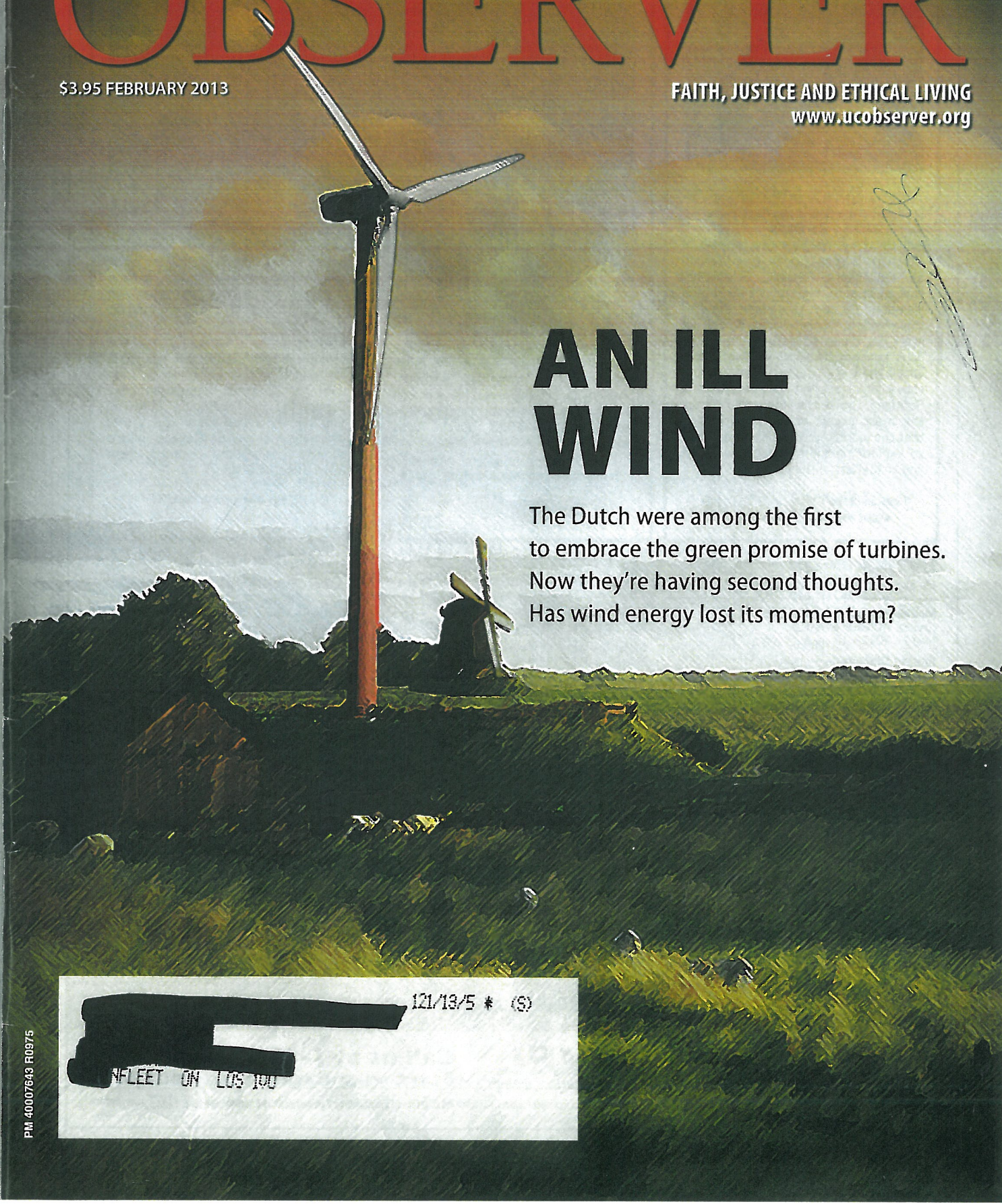
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to embrace the green promise of turbines.
Now they're having second thoughts.
Has wind energy lost its momentum?

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complicity of some ornithological organisations) has gone to great trouble to cover it up — to the extent of burying the corpses of victims. Second, because the ongoing obsession with climate change means that many environmentalists are turning a blind eye to the ecological costs of renewable energy. What they clearly don't appreciate — for they know next to nothing about biology — is that most of the species they claim are threatened by 'climate change' have already survived 10 to 20 ice ages, and sea-level rises far more dramatic than any we have experienced in recent millennia or expect in the next few centuries. Climate change won't drive those species to extinction; well-meaning environmentalists might.

The second edition of Clive Hambler's *Conservation* (Cambridge University Press) is out now.

#14: Sacrifices the peaceful enjoyment of homeowners, so foreign owned corporations gain ownership of Ontario's Prime Farmland, Natural Resources and Tax money.

Highlands owns approximately 8000 acres of Melancthons' Prime Farmland in this source water region. Longyuan has leased thousands of acres as well.

Plateau has leased land in Melancthon and Grey Highlands.

Chinodin sold to Canadian Hydro Developers who sold to Trans Alta, who now owns the CHD Phase One and Two wind projects.

#15: Overlooks the scandals perpetuated by the McGuinty Government.

- A 5 km setback for wind turbines offshore in Toronto, and 550 meters on land in rural Ontario.
- China's Samsung deal
- Gas plant closure scandal
- E-health scandal
- Arelne King, Minister of Health, ignoring the cries and outrage of Victims of Wind Turbines, and not calling for a moratorium until Federal Health Study results are finalized.
- Teacher relations strained
- Lack of protection of Ontario's water and farmland, in an outdated Provincial Policy Statement, and Aggregate Resources Act, giving mining priority over water and farmland.



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