

**Community Comment**  
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HAVING GROWN UP IN THE 60'S IT WAS PRETTY HARD NOT TO SAMPLE A LOT OF THE GREAT MUSIC THAT CAME OUT OF THAT GENERATION OF SONG WRITERS AND MUSICAINS. ONE IN PARTICULAR THAT HIT A NERVE WITH ME WAS A GUY NAMED ROBERT ALLEN ZIMMERMAN. YOU MIGHT RECOGNIZE THE NAME HE WENT BY ON THE COVER OF HIS ALBUMS BETTER IF I SAID BOB DYLAN. SO WHEN I WAS THINKING OF AN INTRODUCTION TO MY COMMENTS TODAY ONE OF HIS SONGS CAME TO ME WITH FORCE, BECAUSE....THE ANSWER IS BLOWING IN THE WIND. MR DYLAN'S SONG WAS FULL OF VERUS ASKING QUESTIONS OF HIMSELF AND HIS LISTENERS. HIS ANSWER TO ALL OF THE QUESTIONS WAS, YOU GUSSED IT, THE ANSWER IS BLOWING IN THE WIND. OUR AMERICAN SOCIEITY HAS BEEN ABOUT THE SAME THING, ASKING QUESTIONS AND SOLVING THEM THE AMERICAN WAY, YANKEE ENGINUITY AT IT'S BEST IF NECESSARY. SO THE FIRST QUESTION OUT OF THE BARREL, HOW DO WE STEM THE TIDE OF FOREIGN OIL, OUR OWN OIL, ETC., AND THAT INCLUDES ANYTHING THAT RESEMBLES OR THAT ADDS POLLUTANS TO OUR AIR OR WATER. NOW WE HAVE ELECTRIC CARS, SELF DRIVING CARS, SOLAR THIS AND SOLAR THAT. WE HAVE ALL THESE GREAT SOURCES USING ALTERNATIVE ENERGIES. THE ONE THAT THE QUESTIONS FOR US IN HUMBOLDT COUNT THAT NEEDS TO BE ASKED IS, WHAT ABOUT THE WIND. I USED TO DREAM ABOUT THE DAY WHEN WIND MILLS, THE OLD WORD, WOULD DOT THE COAST LINE.

TODAY WE CALL THEM WIND TOUR BINES AND TODAY THEY ARE BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO US IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

RECENTLY THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED APPLICATIONS FROM HUMBOLDT WIND, LLC FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND OPER4ATE THE HUMBOLDT WIND ENERGY PROJECT, A WIND ENERGY GENERAL FACILITY RIGHT HERE IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

OF THE 104 SITES STUDIED FOR THIS PROPOSED PROJECT, WE ARE NUMERO UNO AND THIS PARTICULAR COMPANY DESIGNED AND HAS CONSTRUCTED 40% OF ALL THE WIND ENERGY PLANTS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SO THEY MUST KNOW WHAT THEY ARE DOING.

SO THINGS ARE BEING VETTED, MOST RECENTLY THIS PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS AND THERE WILL BE MORE YOU CAN BE SURE OF...AS THERE SHOULD. THERE WILL ALWAYS BE THE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BIRDS, ALL KINDS OF THEM YOU KNOW AND HAVE HEARD ABOUT. AND THAT IS ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT IS BEING DEALT WITH EASILY IN THE OTHER LOCATIONS AROUND THE STATE.

300 JOBS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, 15-30 FULL TIME EMPLOYEES AFTER THE PROJECT IS COMPLETED AND SOME 33,000 HOMES IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY FULL OF ELECTRICIY COMPLEMENTS OF THE WIND. WHAT A PROJECT AND WHAT A TIME TO GET BEHIND IT. MY SUGGESTION IS YOU FOLLOW THE NEWS AND STAY ON TOP OF THIS AND DON'T LET IT BLOW AWAY . THIS HAS BEEN MIKE JONES FOR COMMUNITY COMMENT.