

Things You Need to Know About Wind Power in Grey Highlands

Some FACTS regarding your property:

- The value and marketability of properties near wind turbines and transformers are declining significantly (the Ontario Assessment Review Board reduced the market value of a property in Amaranth Township by 50% for this reason alone);
- Real estate brokers estimate land values fall by as much as 40% and now advertise properties with “no wind lease” to enhance their marketability;
- Declining property values will reduce the municipal tax revenue needed for essential services and the burden of this lost revenue will be shifted to all property owners – in other words, when the turbines are erected, **expect your taxes to go up**;
- Those who “sign up” for a wind turbine have effectively lost control of their property for a minimum of 20 years or more (notwithstanding the negative environmental impacts, developers can renew these contracts without owner consent).

Who really benefits?

- 80% of the costs for wind turbines come from government tax breaks and incentives;
- Wind turbine developers are paid about twice as much as the cost of supplying conventional sources of energy;
- Wind power is an expensive, unreliable and inefficient form of energy – worldwide, it contributes **less than 1%** to the reduction of greenhouse gasses.

Isn't it time you asked some hard questions about the impact of wind turbines on your family, your business and your community? Get involved – start asking questions.

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