

# **False Claims About Wind Power But don't take our word for it.**

Among the many false assertions made by The "Friends" of Wind Power are these:

- ***"The value of property with a wind turbine is dramatically enhanced."***

**Untrue** The Ontario Assessment Review Board recently reduced the market value for a property just south of Grey Highlands by 50% because of its proximity to wind turbines and related equipment.

- ***"The value of neighbouring properties are not adversely affected."***

**Untrue** A three-year study of 600 property sales near the Melancthon wind turbine development shows property values decreased by 20-25% (average of \$48,000.), were on the market more than twice as long and a large number (4 times those that did sell) could not be sold at any price.

- ***"Wind turbines provide municipal tax relief."***

**Untrue** When property values decline, tax revenue is reduced. The net effect of win turbine construction will be higher property taxes or a decrease in local services. You can count on it.

- ***"Wind turbines do not affect people's health."***

**Untrue** This claim is contradicted by countless peer-evaluated studies conducted by independent academics, distinguished scientists and agencies such as the World Health Organization. Ask people living under these massive turbines in the Shelburne area who they would believe.

***Who are you to believe?*** Those who profit financially from wind turbines? Or fellow citizens who are simply suggesting you take a closer look at the evidence? The Friends of Wind Power are supported by the wind energy industry that has 80% of its construction costs subsidized by your tax dollars and increased hydro rates.

***Don't take our word for it.*** Educate yourself on the facts. Start asking some hard questions about the impact of wind turbines on your family, your business and your community?

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concerned citizens of Grey Highlands.***

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