## Let's make it clear - we are pro "green" energy!

We are concerned local residents and we worry about potential negative impacts of the Rhodena Wind Farm project. We are pro green renewable energy but there is a price to be paid for wind farms. Building it close to our community could negatively affect the well-being of people living here. It could have negative impacts on our health, tourism, recreation, nature & wildlife and property values. An industrial wind farm of these dimensions belongs in a remote, unpopulated location or in an industrial area.

### What will you see?

The Rhodena Wind Farm is proposing to construct 18 industrial wind turbines on 19,760 acres; impacting designated wintering grounds for highland whitetail deer. Some of these turbines will be on the ridge of the Long Point/Creignish/Craigmore Mountains at a height of around 200 metres. Adding this to the height of the turbines, they will be seen rising approximately 400 metres in the air.

These massive wind turbines will be a visible eyesore and there might be potentially more to come!

#### Will the wind farm affect property values?

There is a lot of documentation from realtors and testimonials from homeowners that wind turbines will cause a significant loss of real estate value with property values going downward if they are close to wind turbines. Some were unable to sell and have even abandoned their homes. It can also be difficult to get a mortgage on a house close to a wind farm.

Why would anybody choose to buy a home with an industrial wind farm nearby?

#### Can this affect tourism?

Cape Breton is named one of the best islands in the world to visit and is designated as the No. 1 island in North America. Route 19 leads to two world famous golf courses and also to our world famous Cabot Trail. A "turbine alley" on the west coast of Cape Breton will negatively affect tourism, new home construction and our future population growth.

### Are there any "green" energy alternatives?

To protect our environment and meet our legal obligations, Nova Scotia is moving away from coal-based electricity and towards the use of renewable energy. Fortunately, Nova Scotia has an abundance of natural renewable resources we can develop. Beside wind energy there is hydro-electricity, tidal power, geothermal energy, solar photovoltaic and bioenergy.

# Take action and visit: www.route19.org

#### How big will the turbines be?

Rhodena Wind Farm states the hub height could be anywhere from 100 metres to 120 metres, with a blade length of between 60 metres and 85 metres. Therefore, an approximate total height range of each turbine could be between 160 to 205 metres.

# **200 METER**

**Aviation Lighting required** 

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25 METER



SIZE OF A PERSON

