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In a news release crocker wind farm statement that the many miles of gravel proposed to be built across the grasslands of Clark county and the towers are temporary. If we look at other wind farms we know that this a permanent development and will be here long after their useful life. Crocker wind farm also stated that disruption of the environment and wildlife would be on 1.5 acres per tower. Studies done by personnel of SDFWS show that disruption of the environment and wildlife occur up to 300 meters in all directions from the tower, which would be 70 acres. These falsehoods by crocker need to be addressed. In letters sent to crocker wind farm by personnel of the SDFWS their assessment was that these towers not be built on one of a kind grasslands, but on farmed ag. land where the wildlife and environment has already been degraded. I agree with that statement. Also the infrastructure by these ag. lands would be better suited to handle all of the extra traffic.

With these and many other reasons I request that these permits be denied.

I live and own land on sec.11 118-58 northern Clark county.

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