

My name is Will Stone. I live at 18203 486th ave Gary, SD. The land in section 34 and 35 in Glenwood Township has been in family over 60 years and was the farm I grew up on watching my father and mother practice conservation in their farming operation. They hosted hunters for years. I grew up with hunters telling stories at the supper table. Besides protecting water, shelter belts were planted throughout the property. In 1985 we began our commercial preserve operation and are in our 35th year. We have built the business to the point of hosting over 300 hunters per year. Many hunters have been coming out for over 25 years. Some have stated that it is more than the hunt. They come out for the beauty solitude of the property. Some comments that cross my mind are: "look isn't that beautiful" while looking toward the Coteau Hills; "listen" I cocked my head to listen and said "I don't hear anything", he said "exactly"; "Did you hear that"? I said that meadowlark, he said "ya, I haven't heard them for over 10 years since wind farm came to our area". This is just a sampling of comments we hear every fall with people falling in love with the area.

We have built this into a business that 3 generations are involved with. We have people who just want to come out and walk around. We have bird watchers come and look for birds that inhabit our area. We have people who come out and do photo shoots. We have people who come out and train their dogs.

Loss of income derived from these uses is a real concern. I have read hundreds of pages of documents that and oral comments at public meetings that indicate a loss of tourism, which is directly what our property is about. The loss of traffic and participation means a loss of revenue derived from these activities.

Our Federal, State, and Local officials seem willing to throw businesses like ours under the bus for dollars that are ours to begin with. Invenergy offered us a contract but wouldn't put in a clause guaranteeing our gross income if it decreased after turbines are installed. Seems to me they are admitting by default that this is going to happen. If they are so sure it will not, then why not put the clause in. We are trying to protect our lively hood and protect our constitutional right to use of our property without unabated overreach with safety zones being put on our property and our view shed being destroyed by shadow flicker, noise and glaring red lights at night being imposed on us. On March 3, 2018 I visited a wind complex 15 miles SE of my residence. Ice chunks as big as my fist had been flung hundreds of yard from base of turbine. The turbines had been shut down and you could visibly see ice on the blades. A week later I read an account of a semi having his door caved in from an ice chunk from a wind turbine. Picture was taken and police documented it.

We are concerned about wildlife migrating away from our property. The loss of natural beauty and income and property values will not only affect our property's value but our peace of mind