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### A New Comment has been Submitted

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I want to go on record as being in favor of alternative energy sources, in particular wind power when it is appropriate. I live full-time in California where the huge turbines have been placed out in the flat desert areas surrounded by acres and acres of open land.

I am baffled beyond belief that the State of Hawaii would even consider sacrificing the pristine, finite, and intrinsically stunning open land of Lanai. The damage to the island would be irreversible and devastating. To the contrary, the state should be negotiating with Mr. Murdock to deed the land to Hawaii as a protected preserve in-perpetuity.

Please consider the destruction that will ensue if this project comes to fruition. The vistas will have a nightmare appearance. Habitat will be lost. Sea life will be destroyed from the grading and run-off of soil. By the time hideous structures are in place, residents & visitors will be sickened that their special island of Lanai was ruined over a project that is technologically out of date. The proposed turbines are monstrosities, not cute little windmills from historical farms. The State of Hawaii is getting swindled in a big, big way.

I own a home on Lanai and cherish every moment I am able to return to paradise. I urge all involved to do everything possible to preserve this gem, and find alternatives for Lanai's commerce as well as Oahu's energy consumption.

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