



December 3-2021

Dear Higgins Mountain Windfarm Proponents,

On October 5th, 2021, NCS Managed Services Inc. became aware of the Higgins Mountain Windmill Project through a social media post by a concerned customer.

NCS Managed Services provides high speed rural internet and cellular connectivity to over 800 customers in Colchester, Cumberland, and East Hants Counties.

Upon attending the Community meeting in Wentworth, it has become alarmingly apparent that this Windmill project have not done their homework. There were three maps presented at the county meeting, and all three of them were different. Many questions about the placement and studies required for these windmills were left unanswered by the project co-ordinators. The citizens are even more upset by the lack of information provided at this meeting.

It also has become aware that if these windmill projects went ahead, they would directly impact the telecommunication services by at least four different providers in the Folly Mountain/Wentworth Valley area. None of these providers were directly or formally contacted by the project co-ordinators prior to the October 5th open house.

Since the onset of the pandemic in 2020 I think we can all understand the importance of telecommunications services in rural areas. Citizens are not willingly to sacrifice these services for windmills. Telecommunications companies provide many local and permanent jobs and return to local economies, more so than the proposed windmill project.

I have reached out to your company to meet to discuss the placement and help you understand our service delivery prior to the Dec 4th open house. Meryam, politely declined to meet with me until you completed your studies. I strongly believe that you should be meeting with your stakeholders and understanding their concerns and service deliverance so you can perform accurate studies. Without the proprietary information of our services your studies will not be useful nor accurate. I also am very disappointed that you chose not to have a direct one on one meeting so we can directly open the lines of communication

I am unable to attend this Dec 4th meeting. However, I hope that it provides much better-defined information than your prior open houses. And that information is directly communicated to stakeholders, such as my self though direct conversations.

NCS will continue to push for responsible Windmill proposals that protect the current integrity and values of our community in the Wentworth Valley. And we will stand strong that our telecommunications services will not be impacted by any of these proposals and any such proposed attempt to do so will be met by strong opposition both by my company and the impacted communities.

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