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Subject

Tule Wind

Greg,

In regard to the Tule wind Project please include me on the emailing list.

Also curious if our on-demand wind farm light system is being considered in the BLM's approval plans for Tule? This is the system that permits all flashing strobe lights remain OFF at all times unless an aircraft is detected.

We have been working with both the Nevada (Dan Nechter, Mark Chandler) and Wyoming (Tom Lahti) BLM district offices among others where this system has either been required on some wind projects or is being considered to be required in order to mitigate the negative visual impact of constantly flashing lights. Are you aware of the technology and should I be in contact with someone in your El Centro office for further information? I noticed today DOI requesting golden eagle mitigation strategy of lowering the number of turbines.

Thanks and look forward to hearing from you.

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The Obstacle Collision Avoidance System (OCAS) reduces the visual impact of wind farms by keeping constantly flashing turbine lights off.
Community acceptance of wind power is greatly increased by reducing the visual impact of wind turbines.

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