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Support for the Plaintiffs in this Case



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I'm Brenda Frye. We live on a piece of ground that has been in my family since 1925. My dad was actually born, on the land out here. And as I grew up, I was wanting to go to the city. I left for about eight years, but I didn't go very far, I was just on the edge of town.

I soon found out that my heart was really on the prairie and wanted to come back to this place. To be able to sit on my front porch and just enjoy a pristine virgin horizon is something I can't get across to you. It's an emotional thing. It's an emotional piece that you find.

Then the wind turbine towers came in, and now when we sit on our patio and look any direction, we see nothing but blinking lights. At night. You go out and sit out there in the quiet evening. And, as it gets dark, all you can see is blinking lights in all directions. These so called green projects have ruined our emotional peace. It affects you. It affects your health. It affects you emotionally when you see these changes made to your land.

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Rodney Frye. It was Thanksgiving time, several years ago. Brenda's daughter had met this young man. She was taking some classes at the college, and he had come out here from California and I think Los Angeles area if I remember right. He had never seen a sunrise, ever. I'm not sure if he'd seen a sunset because he was in the city, and he was just fascinated by the openness of the country here and how he could see from horizon to horizon.

We were still working at the time, a few days before Thanksgiving we were on the day shift and had to go in at 5:00am in the morning. This young man asked Brenda if she would wake him up before leaving, so that he could go out and see the sunrise every morning that he was there. It just fascinated him. He had never in his lifetime. He was in the big city and had never seen the stars, a sunrise or sunset. We tend to take it for

granted because we're out here all the time, and, it's, it's just amazing what people don't understand that are not from this area.

Now we can't look in any direction without the wind turbines, and blinking lights at night, and soon to be large scale solar. Solar panels don't block the horizon as much, but they still take part of the beauty away.