

DNREC/USWind lease of 3Rs Beach

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I am, as a long-term Sussex County resident, completely OPPOSED to the proposed lease between DNREC & USWind, as well as all landfall considerations via State Park lands.

DNREC is tasked with protecting and preserving our natural resources, which in NO stretch of the imagination includes boring through the shoreline, beach, and wetlands up through our Indian River Bay.

Why would 4'-7' deep boring up the bay be acceptable, when the Federal government requires 20' as stated by the USWind Representative, Dunmyer?

Why would we NOT require a decommissioning bond regardless of how hard it is for the FOR PROFIT, Foreign investors(scammers), to obtain?

As stated, the Federal Bond, currently required, they say - will likely be "excepted" when requested. Besides, a Federal bond would cover the FEDERAL waters, not Delaware's destruction from this project.

I am sure you have information about all of the negatives summarized here:

- 1) Marine mammal and sealife kills
- 2) Department of Defense objections for radar interference
- 3) Fishery depletions
- 4) Economic devastation to our coastal towns, hospitality, and fishing industries
- 5) Environmental displacement during construction and beyond
- 6) Limiting access to state park lands for citizens and visitors
- 7) Minimal economic benefit for Delaware compared to Maryland (oh yeah? why isn't landfall proposed in their State Park?) smarter than Delaware I presume.
- 8) And last, but most importantly in my opinion, why do we have the right to take away the beauty from future generations?

Meeting the Governor's goals is not a good enough answer. The questions and non-likely benefits of this project are so many!
Why can we not wait to see how Virginia Beach makes out? They are in the middle of the destruction.

Perhaps a 10 year stay will tell us if the projects really work or not. Waiting could save our environment from irreversible damage. From what I understand, in Europe, where this has, supposedly, been used, it is causing all kinds of devastation and rising energy costs beyond anyone's means to continue long-term.

Please avoid, at all costs, the issuing permits, and signing agreements that promote this project.

Thank you.

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