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## WIND FARM DEVELOPMENT in MID-WALES and the INDUSTRIALISATION of our COUNTRYSIDE

The Welsh Government proposes to erect 840 more wind turbines in some of the most beautiful landscapes in Mid-Wales to meet its commitment to renewable energy. The wind farms will be connected to the National Grid via a hub covering an area of 19 acres and a new 50-mile grid line supported by 150 high pylons.

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[www.midwaleswind.co.uk](http://www.midwaleswind.co.uk), [www.countytimes.co.uk](http://www.countytimes.co.uk), and many more .....

### What are we protesting about?

#### Wind Farms are inefficient

- The wind doesn't blow all of the time. Wind energy must be backed up permanently by conventional or nuclear power to offset this.

#### Wind farms aren't green

- Wind generation doesn't contribute to carbon savings
- The manufacture, transportation, and erection of turbines creates more CO2 emissions than are saved over their working lifetime.

#### Wind farms are environmentally unfriendly

- Many miles of forest will be cut down to build the wind farms
- Peat bogs will be stripped out to create foundations for turbines
- Natural habitats for wildlife will be destroyed

#### Wind farms will destroy our rural economy

- 67% of visitors to Wales DISAGREE turbines are an attraction
- Tourism contributes 7% to the Welsh economy; wind power 0.2% at most.

#### Wind power is expensive

- Wind power companies receive an extra subsidy via higher electricity bills for all of us.
- Electricity bills are predicted to rise by 40% in 2012.

Who  
are  
we?

"This isn't a green solution. It's not about renewable energy. It's about bad policy being compounded by poor implementation."

Nick Larder, campaigner, Montgomeryshire