

Wind turbines in North Dakota generate enjoyment

By CLYDE & LYNDA HUBER, Courtenay Wind Farm Landowners • September 12, 2017

We are proud landowners who live and farm in the Courtenay Wind Farm in North Dakota. We worked with Geronimo Energy and other respected companies on this project for years and want to share some of our experiences.

The project is up and running now and we enjoy watching the towers. Clyde and I go riding around some weekends and evenings and just watch them all go. It's a fun thing to watch. Plus, along the way, we see wildlife (deer, fox, etc.). The towers have not scared them away. And by doing this we drive on the nice roads that were made to get up to the towers. The towers are so quiet. I have only heard them a few times at home and that is when I am over at the barn, but you really must stop and listen. **It's unbelievable how something so big can be so quiet.** I have never heard much from anybody complaining about the noise.

COURTENAY WIND FARM

The Courtenay Wind Farm is an operational 200 MW wind farm project in Stutsman County, North Dakota. The project was developed by Geronimo Energy and sold to Xcel Energy, who currently owns and operates the project. The Courtenay Wind Farm's footprint spans over 20,000 acres and provides significant economic impact for its host communities in the form of tax revenue, landowner payments and charitable giving.

Clyde and I appreciate so much how Jay Hesse and others from Geronimo Energy helped us and explained everything to us about the towers. He took the time to come out to our home and lay everything out for us. Everything he told us was how it came out. We are so glad we got involved and signed up with them. **With farming, there is not a lot of retirement benefits, so this extra income is so greatly appreciated.**

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I know some people have complained about their looks. Well to us, they look nice and clean and better than having a farmstead falling apart, vacant with a lot of rodents, skunks and raccoons living in them.

We have shared some pictures of our family including our grandson, Caleb, that we recently took over at our neighbor's farmstead which has turbines right around the property. Our neighbor's, Tammy and Jeff Mitchell, had us come over to let Caleb feed the goats. It was a fun time and Caleb enjoyed himself, as did Grandma and Grandpa. HAH. It was kind of neat to see towers in the background of some of our pictures.

Many 'Thanks' to Jay and the Geronimo Energy team for working with us and making this project a reality.

Clyde & Lynda Huber are landowners of Courtenay Wind Farm

