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Renewable energy sounds like a no-brainer. However, the construction of industrial wind turbines in northern New York is both a travesty and a sham. Wind developers have come to this area and have taken advantage of the economic situation to ply their promises of money, lower taxes, jobs, etc. They have secured leases with landowners, some of whom serve on town boards or zoning committees. These individuals then work to push through the construction of these industrial sites. Not for our energy independence, not for dependable alternative energy infrastructure, not even for a large consistent source of electricity. They advocate for these companies and their turbines because they personally will experience a significant monetary gain. This greed is enough to make one lose faith in fellow humans. Politicians need to do some serious research, without influence from the wind lobby, and investigate the real worth of this concept