

What Can You Do?

UPC Wind's industrial bandwagon seems to be rolling on in Cohocton with its faithful crew of paid supporters, hired studies, legal counselors and compliant local officials. Reams of factual material about the project's negligible effect on greenhouse gases, negative impact on adjacent properties, and fraudulently underestimated noise has fallen on deaf ears. After a brief series of pro-forma "hearings" our Planning Board seems poised to rubber stamp Special Use Permits for 52 giant turbines in our Town submitted by UPC in two segmented applications, as if they really have two projects in town, not one.

Who are they fooling, and what can you do about it?

- Come out to the Special Use Permit charade at the Elementary School in Cohocton this Thursday evening and voice your opinion.
- Contact your local officials personally to hold them accountable.
- Write to Senator Jim Alesi to tell him you support his initiative for an 18-month moratorium on wind development in New York.
- Visit the Reform Cohocton office on 1 Maple Street and offer your help in restoring truly representative government in our Town.
- Get some Cohocton Free yard signs and put them out on your property where people can see them.

When our forebears were treated this way by the Tories, they knew what to do. They got people's attention, threw the tea into Boston Harbor, organized themselves, and made progressive and decisive moves toward self-government of the people, by the people, and for the people. In times like these we have to draw inspiration from the past and do whatever we can to right the wrongs in our midst.

To find out details, visit us at www.cohoctonfree.com and be sure to read the latest in our "Updates" section. You'll find specifics there about how we've arrived at our conclusions, contact information, where you can get yard signs, and numerous links to other helpful resources. Don't give up. The real struggle is just beginning!

