

One big happy family: Bob Dingethal Executive Director of the Gifford Pinchot Task Force April 2014

Renewable energy is a boon to Mankind, everyone is happy, uh right?



Or maybe not?



Wind Energy Concerns

From
Prairie
Chickens
to site
concerns

Visual Blight

Avian issues

Site management

Ethanol concerns

Snack foods to Global climate change!

Corn for ethanol displaces food crops

Creating ethanol uses 29% more energy than it generates

Lifecycle emissions from ethanol

Federal subsidies disappearing, farmers lament

Biomass

Watch your step!

Reduction of biomass pools

Degraded Forest Lands

Myth of carbon neutrality

Biomass

More Concerns!

Increased prices for feedstock

Depleted soils

Shorter rotations

Biomass

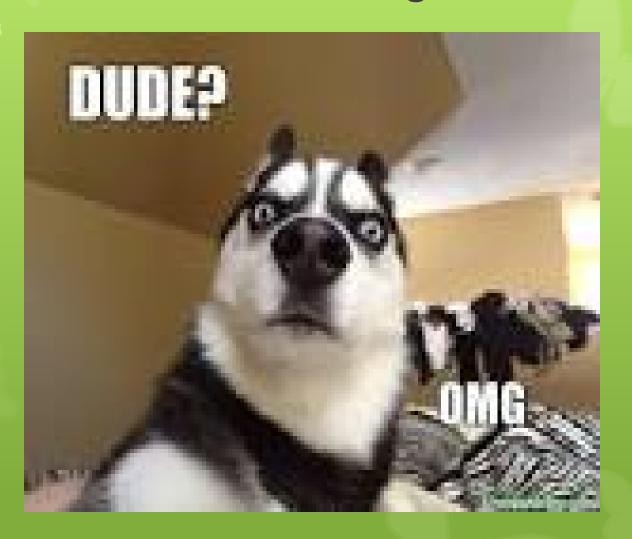
More Concerns

Habitat destruction

Threat to Public Forest Lands

Threats to water

How do we come together?



Strategies for working together

Be Transparent!

Manage forests based on social economic and ecological goals not solely to supply biomass!

Invite Environmentalists to the table!

Protect rare ecosystems and sensitive sites.

Strategies for working together

Remember to be transparent

An open debate today prevents a lawsuit tomorrow.

Listen first to understand, not to disprove.

Share data openly, create a public repository of information.

What's the end game

