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PROJET PARC DES MOULINS

My name is Gloria Wallace, I was born on the 1st range of the municipality of Kinnear's Mills and have lived in Kinnear's Mills all my life. In 1952 my father had to sell his farm and move to another farm near the village of Kinnear's Mills because the roads were in very bad shape and there were no services such as school bus, electricity etc and the largest part of the range was deserted except for our family.

Today the Company 3CI wants to install windmills on this range, I am very much in favor of the windmills. It will be very good for the local economy. They don't cause any pollution and will be mostly situated on the 1^{st} and 2^{nd} ranges where there aren't any people living there. They could become a tourist attraction for our area because there are no other windmills in this area.

There is a group opposing the windmills, They use as excuses that they are ugly, but with time they will not notice them any more, like in the case of electrical lines. The advantages of the windmills are very important, as are the advantages of electrical lines.

In Kinnear's Mills, every time something new happens there is always a group opposing it, I will cite a few examples: (1) bigger street lights in the village "it would cost too much money " (2) The collection of garbage and recycling " we don't need that "(3) I was instrumental in making Kinnear's Mills an historical site, I worked five years with the Minister of Cultural Affairs, the provincial deputy, the local MRC and the mayor of Kinnear's Mills and others. Today everyone is happy that this is an historical site, it creates several summer jobs for students and for a coordinator. At the time, there was opposition for this project from people of the same group who are now opposing the windmills, it is as if they do not want to see change or progress.

In conclusion, I am still for progress and am very much in favor of the windmills. If we always listen to the opponents nothing will move forward. THERE IS NOTHING MORE PERMANANT THAN CHANGE. Gloria Wallace resident of Kinnear's Mills