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# Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee

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# Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee: Background



- 2003: Service published *Interim Guidelines to Avoid and Minimize Wildlife Impacts from Wind Turbines*
- 2005: Service began efforts to update interim guidelines

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- 2007: Secretary approved formation of a Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee, and call for nominations
- Service recommended 22 individuals after evaluating nominees using criteria published in the *Federal Register*
- Secretary appointed 22 Committee members and signed the Charter on October 26, 2007



# Committee Scope and Objective



*The Committee will provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior on developing effective measures to avoid or minimize impacts to wildlife and their habitats related to land-based wind energy facilities*

# Committee Structure

- David J. Stout: Chairman and Designated Federal Officer
- Abby Arnold: Facilitator
- Technical Experts?
- Interagency briefings



- If you want a good idea, get a lot of ideas.  
-- Linus Pauling



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