

Ostrander Point Wind Energy Park



Environmental Benefits

- The following are the environmental benefits of wind energy:
 - It is pollution free.
 - It doesn't contribute to smog or acid rain.
 - Compared to other forms of conventional electricity generation, wind power leaves a small environmental footprint; and,
 - Generating energy from wind leaves behind no hazardous or toxic wastes, uses no water and doesn't contribute to climate change.

Environmental Impact of Electricity Sources Summary Table

	Wind	Nuclear	Coal	Natural Gas
Global Warming Pollution	None	None	Yes	Yes
Air Pollution	None	None	Yes	Limited
Mercury	None	None	Yes	None
Mining/Extraction	None	Yes	Yes	Yes
Waste	None	Yes	Yes	None
Water Use	None	Yes	Yes	Yes
Habitat Impacts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Source: AWEA/fact sheets/Wind Energy and Wildlife/If Not Wind, Then..?