

## Southern Tier Cuba Wind Turbine project

- In Mid-November we were approached and then visited by Michael Carey, who represents a firm (SWEB) that is installing wind turbines throughout the region, from Cuba south to West Clarksville.
- Over the course of the next three years, SWEB is approaching land owners for the rights to lease property and to install wind turbines for 25 years or longer. The revenue for land rights is \$25K-\$30K annually per turbine.
- The footprint of a wind turbine would sit on approximately 2 acres of property in an optimal location off of Peter's path (beyond La Posada), with a service road required to have access, likely from a neighbor's property.
- After extensive conversations between the friar community, Paul Aroune and Mike Fenn, it is the belief that such a commercial project is not consistent with the Mission of Mt. Irenaeus, and the recommendation would be to decline involvement with this project.
- We recently heard from a neighbor to the north, who was also approached. He has verbally told us that if we aren't moving forward with the project, he will not either.