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Could large-scale wind power cause more environmental impact?

This research was funded by the Fund for Innovative Climate and Energy Research. Researchers have determined that large-scale wind power would require more land and cause more environmental impact than previously thought.

Do wind turbines reduce air pollution?

Wind turbines do not release emissions that can pollute the air or water (with rare exceptions), and they do not require water for cooling. Wind turbines may also reduce electricity generation from fossil fuels, which results in lower total air pollution and carbon dioxide emissions.

How does wind power affect air pollution?

Impacts of wind power on air pollution exposure in one state (state A) can be attributed to emission changes from three types of fossil fuel EGUs: units in state A ("in state"), units in other states but in the same ISO region ("in ISO"), and units in other ISO regions ("outside ISO").

How does wind power affect the environment?

Most land-based wind power projects require service roads that add to the physical effects on the environment. Producing the metals and other materials used to make wind turbine components has impacts on the environment as well, and fossil fuels may be used to produce the materials.

Does wind power reduce emissions?

Figure 1. Examples of wind power impact on emission reductions, as grams of CO₂ per kWh wind power generated. The green ones are from power reduced, usually fossil fuelled generation. If the fuel displaced is coal, the emission benefits are greater than when displacing natural gas.

Does wind power development have a positive impact on the environment?

Under the current practice (ex post scenario), wind power development can have larger benefits for demographic groups known to experience greater pollution burdens in some states but relatively smaller benefits in others.

We estimate the impacts of U.S. wind power on air quality and pollution exposure disparities using hourly data from 2011 to 2017 and detailed atmospheric chemistry modeling. Wind power associated with renewable ...

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Green energy generation trends are increasing, and conventional (fossil-fuel based) power plants are decreasing. In developed countries, lowering the carbon emission is a ...

Miller and Keith are quick to point out the unlikeliness of the U.S. generating as much wind power as they simulate in their scenario, but localized warming occurs in even smaller projections. The follow-on question ...

Noise pollution from wind turbines and its effects on wildlife: A cross-national analysis of current policies and planning regulations. ... Mechanical WTN is produced by the ...

A coal or natural gas plant burns fuel -- and releases carbon dioxide -- every moment that it runs. By contrast, most of the carbon pollution generated during a wind turbine's life occurs during manufacturing. Once it's ...

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As the world begins its large-scale transition toward low-carbon energy sources, it is vital that the pros and cons of each type are well understood and the environmental impacts of renewable energy, small as they ...

In two papers -- published today in the journals Environmental Research Letters and Joule -- Harvard University researchers find that the transition to wind or solar power in the U.S. would require five to 20 times ...

Wind: In an average year, nobody would die. A death rate of 0.04 deaths per terawatt-hour means every 25 years, a single person would die; ... This is because more people will be exposed to higher levels of pollution. ...

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