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WHO: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Scientists and Experts on Wind Farm Issues

WHAT: Environmental Panel on Wind Farms

WHEN: Monday, Nov. 9, from 6-8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies, Room 127

Experts to Examine Impact of Wind Farms on Coastal Bend Panel is first in Series on Environment at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – A panel of recognized experts on wind energy and its implications will discuss the impact of wind farms on the South Texas region on Monday, Nov. 9, from 6-8:30 p.m. in the Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies, Room 127, at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

The panel is a first in a series of environmental panels planned by scientists from the University's College of Science and Technology and the Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies that are designed to provide Coastal Bend citizens with the best available information around which environmental issues revolve.

The members of the Environmental Panel on Wind Farms are: John Metz, warning coordination meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Corpus Christi; Kathy Boydston, department lead for wind energy development issues at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; Mannti Cummins, wind energy director for American Shoreline in Corpus Christi; Dr. Robert Benson, director of the Center for Bioacoustics at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi; and Glenn Webb with the Texas Wildlife Association who is an expert on landowner issues concerning alternative power.

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