## A united front on wind issues

Six wildlife and environmental organizations joined forces this week to argue that the legal issues surrounding the private use of public waters for a proposed wind farm have not been sufficiently addressed.

The International Wildlife Coalition, The Humane Society of the United States, the International Fund for Animal Welfare, Three Bays Preservation, Orenda Wildlife Land Trust, and the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society are part of a "Safe Wind" coalition (www.SafeWind.Info).

"The regulatory ambiguity that Cape Wind Associates would exploit to install a marine wind farm in Nantucket Sound could also open the door to offshore aquaculture and controversial liquefied natural gas offloading platforms, oceanic pipelines and other uses," according to the coalition's press release.

The groups are right to insist that no permit be issued for a wind farm on Nantucket Sound until the issues surrounding regulatory oversight are resolved.

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