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By adopting the USFWS guidelines, the FCC will be taking a step toward a balanced, middle way between commercial and individual tower users and the natural world. If following such guidelines can save millions of innocent birds and help to preserve the natural world, while still providing the communications infrastructure on which we depend, isn't it worth it?

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