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Dear Matt,

To follow up after our telephone conversation about the solar panel company Hecate , working in our southwestern area of Highland county.

Some of our family's ancestors have been in this area since the Revolutionary War. We would like to protect the environment and surroundings.

Our main concern is the effects the solar panel project will have on the environment: the change in the landscape, destroying of drainage, ponds & streams, & misplacing wildlife, as well as other effects on the surrounding area/ people.

The woods are already being clear cut. Hundreds of acres. That's a lot of trees, wildlife, & protection from windstorms. When the panels are built, what happens to drainage that would have been in the acreage- the ditches, streams, ponds?

Accountability: there will be tearing up of roads/ ditches with heavy equipment, who will rebuild or repair these? Is that burden on local taxpayers? If a deer jumps the fence & breaks panels, or hailstorm or 60+ mph winds cause damage to panels, is there dangerous chemicals or substances that will leak into the air or ground? Mercury or lead? And at that point, who is responsible for repairs and maintenance?

Who is responsible to reclaim the land after the project is finished, or if company goes bankrupt? And who would be responsible for the clean up and disposal of the panels? At this point, all we heard is it all is to be shipped overseas.

We are concerned over the tactics used to force people into selling their adjacent lands to the solar panel company. Local people have been coerced into selling their land by being told their property would only be worth \$1000/acre if they did not sell to solar company.

We are also wondering how high our land taxes will go being next to these areas.

Hiring of people to build these panels will provide short term jobs for about 4000 . Where will these people come from, where will they be housed?

WE look forward to the open meeting on March 19th at Whiteoak High School, and meeting you, with further discussions.

How could we, &/or should we stop this project?

Thank you for any help.

Sincerely,

Flick & Mary Young 

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My name is Edward Fryman and I am concerned about all of the solar panels that are going to be put near my farm. First of all I oppose taking all the farm land out of production we are loosing too much farm land as it is. I oppose the solar panels going in because it will devalue my farm being so close to them, and my taxes will more than likely go up also. I would like to go on record as to opposing the solar panels going in Clay and Whiteoak townships in Highland County Ohio

Bea & Ed Fryman 

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