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To the OPSB board members,

Although I respect my neighbors, I am opposed to the solar project for a couple of reasons.

I feel there are better locations to place solar panels than on prime agriculture land. Also, I have lived here my entire life as a farmer and know the importance of field tile. I started tiling land in the 1960's and have seen the benefits of drainage tile. I know from past experience that if tile is damaged, it may take 1-2 years for the problems to become evident. It will be nearly impossible to know if tile is damaged during the construction, either by driving poles in the ground or trenching wire. Existing tile is sometimes difficult to locate, even with current maps, or with no maps at all from tile installed 50-60 years ago.

The proposed solar project will border property that I own in Preble County and will also be directly across the road from my property in Indiana, with several acres draining onto my land. This causes great concern for what water problems may arise in the future.

Sincerely,

James Fairchild

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