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Do not be fooled by the statements that Birchsolar/ Lightsourcebp or whatever it is being called today. They have not scaled back this project any. They need 900 and some acres for the square footage of enough panels to generate 300mw. This has not changed! Add in the spacing between rows of panels now you have 1400 acres. Nothing has changed other than the possible setbacks. The general permit that they applied for was for 2600 acres for basic site surveying. While solar energy does show signs of being better than wind, it still is not justifiable for a solar project of this size near a highly populated area of Ohio. The township has zoning laws against this and has voted to stand against it. The only reason I can see they dropped the light sourcebp name was because of the negative impact that BP left on this community in the past. We do not know where the future is going to be with energy but there are too many of these wind and solar projects failing around the nation to allow something of this scale to come into our community on such a large scale without being proven to be a better and viable solution to alternative energy. Although this company states that it has to abide by everything in their permit while this may be the case I also know that too often this means if they do not than they pay a fine. The project does not stop and nothing changes they pay the fine and government agencies get some more kickbacks and they all move on. We will have to live with this for at least the next 20 years. The adjacent landowner agreements are a joke. Cash OR a 1 year home valuation. What's wrong with both minus the cash difference. If this is such a great thing and everyone would love to live in it than where is the harm? Kevin Smith himself stated that he absolutely would live next to this than why won't he buy out landowners like the Kuhmanders(sorry probably misspelled). The point is the average home buyer is not going to buy after this project. While this board may not be politicians, this is a political matter, and from all the comments I have read there seems to be a pretty large percentage of opposition to this than there is acceptance. If you are representing the the people this project will be denied. But since it is not in your neighborhood and their lawyer use to work for you and I'm sure there is a kickback as well as the political push for unproven technology from China this project will go through. 

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