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This statement was written by a woman that lived 875' from an industrial solar farm in Georgia! I would encourage you to copy this and use it to share with others that think Industrial Solar is a good idea...

It will impact everyone within the range of where they intend to place them. Short term is land clearing and prep. Followed by pile driving of every pile that will be holding the tracking system that holds the solar panels. This went on for weeks and weeks and weeks. Our friend who lives about 4 miles away could hear the pile driving. Having experienced this from my own home that is 875 feet to thier property line here in Georgia this went on for weeks- from sun up to sun down- most times 7 days a week. I liken it to Chinese Water Torture- it may let up for a minute or two- but then they are at it again. Then there is the army like infiltration of non stop semi trailers loaded with the I beam- and poles that are part of the axis....and the inverters- heavy equipment of all kinds- truck that brings fuel for them. Do you know how many semi trailers it takes to bring all this in- and then there's the poles for the chainlink fence, and the rolls of chainlink fencing that surround it all.....and if your lucky you get some promise of landscaping that they will planted with only a promise and no attention to upkept once the deal is signed and the money starts flowing. This is the reality you will look at, hear, and after you have lived through it- you will never be the same folks. While I do not have to look at it from my front yard (unless the landowner decides to harvest her timber- I can not leave my house north or south with out dealing with seeing it- I am a prisoner in my own home leaving it and having to pass it increases my stress- and there were some weeks I just had to leave because I could not stand anywhere in my yard front or back with out the noise- it seemed to be magnified in my back yard. Coming back from being out- brings on the anxiety again. Then there is seeing the non local company that comes in to constuct it with the out of state tags that are a constant reminder as I follow them or see them coming at me on the two lane road. You say- but the construction will end...and it wont be a problem. The emotional damage has been done folks I will not be able to leave my home or return without those same emotions and anxiety stirring up. There was a first facility that went throw quickly and without opposition- but little did the community know the commissioner where already sold out to the next one before they voted on the first one. I am not an unstable person- I tolerate alot- but 5 months of chainsaws, Followed by the construction we are at another 5 months.. it will have been a total of 2 years of my life from finding out about the location till completion (that not including the extra year with the first one- that started this whole thing here. But on project two closest to me- the logging,the destruction of a what we came to love and the reason we bought our home where we did- is never more it will NEVER be brought back when the 30 years if it last that long before they declare bankruptcy with the LLC's that everything is structured withI have been told- sell and move....I was here first- and who will want this- and what will I get and I cant replace what I had for less than 10 times the price.....If you have got this far...Thank you- and what I say with most sincere empathy for all of you fighting this- is you know what you know (and your organizing very well!!!- its what you probably dont know- about the government- political agenda, greed of the company and apathy that hurts just as much as everything else I described. Keep fighting the good fight folks!... You don't get do overs on this. Realize there may be people who are ready to move on- they will be compensated well for land

leases- their lives will be better- some will have regrets- some will never look back.....My heart is with each one of you who have dug in your heels- put up your signs, talked to those less informed- and my prayers are with your community for an upswing of unbelievable empathy that will bring forth voices to stand beside each of you in full support. My greatest prayers are that your government officials will not drink the coolaid...and the footprint of this and the projected secondary facilities can and will be stopped. Remember there is no do over- but if you beat them- they will attempt to come back, because they can unless you lock that option in a box signed and sealed by your officials.

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