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Hello my name is Brad Griffith I am a resident of Lynchburg Ohio in highland county. I have owned or worked on a farm all of my life. I am a father of five children 2 15 year olds a 12,10, and 6 year olds who are all involved in FFA and 4h. I am concerned that if solar is established here in our community it will limit Future abilities for my children to be involved in agriculture in there home town that they love. I do struggle with the issue of property right of the land owner but at the same time am concerned what this will do to my property value. As I have a lot of equity that I don't want to loose. I do fear at this point the massive scale of these projects will directly affect the community, wildlife , ground water and neighboring property values so I would like to ask the opsb to at a minimum put on hold for at least 6 months on solar projects in highland county so regulations setback and rules can be updated to cover the current solar projects in our area. As the current rules are outdated and not directly intended for solar. I do understand and respect that the land owners have the right to do with their property that they have worked for and payed for so long as it doesn't affect the property values and safety of neighboring land owners. It is very difficult to support a solar project In our community that does not benefit our community with the exception of tax dollars to local schools. I do not believe there is any benefit of solar farms to our local community since all the power produced by this project will be sent elsewhere. I believe the acres will be more productive as cropland opposed to solar. Thank you for hearing my concerns and please do not approve any more solar projects in highland county untill regulations have been updated with at a minimum of setbacks , wildlife ground water, and property values can be addressed properly. I personally do not want solar here in highland county but understand that we have to take into consideration of the property rights of land owner. But I feel that solar farms will hurt our community and my children's future far worse than any benefit it will have at this time Again thanks for taking the time to hear my concerns.

Brad Griffith

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