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When Green is Not so Green

While I am not against solar panels used in the right places there are several problems connected with them used on Ohio's fertile farmland. According to a Washington Post Article there are at least two huge problems with large solar farms in farm producing states. Studies have shown that solar arrays have the potential to cause regional changes in temperature and precipitation by altering the amount of solar radiation absorbed by the earth and disrupting local airflow patterns. With 84,000 acres or more of proposed solar farms in Ohio alone isn't this likely to increase global temperatures? Do you want the the toxic waste from them to fill up our landfills at the end of their usefulness as well as leaking dangerous chemicals into the ground as they become compromised during their useful life.

As the world population continues to grow to nearly 10 billion people, when will we reach a tipping point where human demand for food is greater than what the world can produce for them?

According to Sarah Menker of Gro Intelligence and CEO, this imbalance would come by 2027 based on projections by her company of the world's exploding population if current rates of population growth continues.

Shouldn't we promote wise land use of our fertile farmlands in the bread basket states? Will you let farm land go the way of the rain forests? Do these large solar farms sound green to you?

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