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Subject: Chipmunk solar farm 21-0960-EL-BGN

Hello. My name is Richard Watkins. I am a member of council for the Village of Williamsport. I am emailing you to ask that you stop the Chipmunk solar farm, case number 21-0960-EL-BGN from coming to our community. The proposed solar farm will be along roads taken to Westfall school by parents and student drivers alike. It is not an uncommon occurrence to see a car in these fields where crops grow. If an individual was to go into the fields and wreck with the solar panels the panels could catch fire, which they are susceptible to do and our volunteer fire departure is not equipped or trained to handle these type of fires. Wrecks arent the only reason that the panels have caught fire. They are prone to catch fire themselves polluting the ground and sky with contaminated material. Other reasons I am against this project include Farm ground being taken, the panels located close to known nests of eagles, destruction of natural beauty to be replaced by unsightly panels and the fact that the majority of people living in this community do not want these and there is no direct energy gained from the panels for this community. It seems the majority of people who want these farms do not even live in this community. While the mayor of Williamsport has previously given his support into this project, members of council are not for this. We stand with our constituents and reject this project. Thank you for your time and please be with our community and vote no for this project and stop it from happening.

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