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In regard to the Birch Solar Project I am against the idea of taking prime farm land out of production. The land that is being considered lays next to my farm. I was approached by the company to sign a lease. I had questions on long term affect after twenty or thirty years if the productivity of the soil would be as good or better when it goes back to raising crops. Most of the land is 100% tiled. In time tile eventually breaks down holes form and repairs are needed usually a backhoe is needed to dig up and back fill the area. There water ways in the fields that prevent erosion maintenance is required every few years. The person who trying to get me interested had no idea or give me a reasonable response. The weather is changing our planting season is getting shorter harvesting crops in the fall the middle of November it starts to rain. Hardly any snow and the ground never freezes. If the ground freezes at least you can have a chance to get field work done. No more Locating this project on prime farm land is nothing but lining some ones pocket with money. Since I am opposed on February 19 2021 I received a letter from lightsource a one time payment of \$10,000.00 I am assume that is hush money or is it a bribe I do not know. This has split our community. There is not one good reason for the placement of this solar field on this site. Only greed and money. Our great country is being taken apart one piece at a time. There are two important days in your life the day you were born and the day you understand why. God Bless America. Dennis Krites

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