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Dear Ohio Siting Board,

I am writing you to express my extreme opposition to the plan for solar panel installation in Franklin Township, Columbiana County. Summitville has full to partial sunlight only 44% of the possible daylight hours compared to western states having 80-90% sunlight. This project has no return-on-investment potential for solar production, aside from taxpayer subsidies to fund this installation.

This project would destroy 2264 acres of highly fertile and productive crop land and wooded wildlife zones. There is also a risk of water contamination, and heavy metal leakage from damaged panels. For these reasons and many others, the negatives far outweigh the reported benefit.

My family has owned farmland in Franklin Township adjacent to the proposed installation sites since the 1950s and we have much to lose from this project. Any disruption to rain patterns, heat development in proximity of the panels, and runoff from this project, represent significant damage to productivity of our operation. The wildlife that will be displaced from the installation sites will be forced onto surrounding properties such as my family's, resulting in significant crop damage.

I implore this board to encourage this development project to look elsewhere for a viable location. This project does not represent the interests of the residents of Franklin Township, nor the adjacent areas.

Sincerely,

Michael Gromley

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