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| Enter your Comment or | I'd like the OPSB to give the green light to Oak Run Solar Project for the following reasons. We're just at the beginning of a massive energy and land use transformation. We're starting to see the possibilities around combining solar and agriculture, but we can be sure that by the time this project is completed we'll have firm opportunities to complement the primary use of clean energy production with farming practices. There are a few aspects of this that I'm excited about. Firstly, farmers will be paid to take the hay off the land in order to keep it from growing tall and shading the panels. Secondly, the work will be |


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|  | interesting and varied, with jobs for all skillsets <br> and levels of experience from old timers <br> cutting to youngsters helping to bale to <br> graziers shepherding their flocks. Thirdly, the <br> change in land use can be carbon positive, <br> which can be turned into another income <br> stream for the farmer. We're at the cusp of <br> something great here in Madison County, and <br> there's so much to gain. I'd hate to see this <br> opportunity wasted before we even get <br> started. I think we owe it to ourselves to give <br> this a shot. Please take all of these points into <br> account when you consider approving this <br> application. |

