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I know I am probably well past the point of public comment for Docket IP-7153/ESS-25-88 but I am writing once again to express my concerns regarding the Summit Lake Solar Project and to address an issue that has come to my attention. It was recently brought to my attention that someone with Summit Lake Solar, LLC questioned my right to voice an opinion on this project simply because I do not currently reside in Nobles County. I find this both disappointing and misguided.

While I may live in Iowa now, my roots in Summit Lake Township run deep. My family has farmed this land for generations. My father lived in Summit Lake Township his entire life and worked the land from the time he was at least 16—if not earlier, as farming is a way of life that begins young. He continued farming until his passing in 2023. My mother still resides on the acreage where I was raised. I have relatives throughout Nobles County. This place is, and always will be, home.

Farming is in my blood. The land, the community, and the families who call this area home deserve respect and consideration. Dismissing my voice simply because I am not physically present in Nobles County does not erase my connection to this land being affected by this project or my right to advocate for those affected by this project.

I urge the developers and decision-makers to acknowledge and address the concerns of all who have ties to this community, not just those currently residing within its borders. Thoughtful, inclusive planning is the only way to ensure this project is implemented in a way that respects both the land and the people who have long been stewards of it.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope to see a more open and respectful dialogue moving forward.

Sincerely,
Danielle Rogers