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I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed Summit Lake Solar farm development near my home outside of Reading. While I understand the importance of renewable energy initiatives, I have serious reservations about the potential impact this project may have on our community.

My husband's family has lived and run a business in this community for over 50 years, and in that time, it has grown and changed while maintaining the rural character and quality of life that make it such a special place. It is deeply concerning to think that large-scale industrial solar farms could drastically alter the landscape. Open spaces, farmland, and natural scenery are what make this area a great place to live and raise children. If this project moves forward at such a large scale, it risks turning our community into an industrial zone rather than a place where families can enjoy a peaceful, balanced quality of life.

As someone who hopes to someday soon raise a family here, I find it unsettling to imagine a future where our community is consumed by solar panels instead of the vibrant, welcoming environment we have cherished for decades. If this project moves forward at such a large scale, it risks turning our home into something unrecognizable.

We bought our home for many reasons, one of them being the location and the adjacent views from our home. If this project was to go through my husband and I would have to make the difficult decision of if we want to raise our children in a home that our primary view from our front yard would be chain link fences and solar arrays. If we were to decide that this is not the place that we want to raise our children, we then have to deal with the potential decrease in our home's value. Studies and real estate experts suggest that large-scale solar farms can negatively impact property values, particularly for homes that are adjacent to or surrounded by them. Prospective buyers may be deterred by the aesthetics of an industrial solar facility and the loss of scenic views. My home is not an investment it is the foundation of my family's life, and I worry that this project will reduce its worth.

While I understand that certain aspects of the project couldn't be openly discussed due to confidentiality or legal reasons, there was little effort to explain how the surrounding solar panels would impact my land or daily life. The decision to move forward with such a large-scale project, without any outreach to those of us who would be directly affected, left me feeling blindsided and ignored. Despite understanding the limitations on open discussion, the absence of any transparent dialogue made it difficult to trust that the developers truly considered the consequences for those of us living next to the panels.

Transparency and community involvement are crucial in decisions that affect local residents, and I hope to better understand how
