



A short time ago, I became aware of a large solar farm planned for the Terra Ceia community in Beaufort County NC. As I have come to understand the silent tactics of these solar farm personnel to obtain land for their projects without community forums is appalling to me. Once news of construction was to begin, contracts were signed, documents supplied, weather stations installed with complete surprise to neighbors of such a massive project. Terra Ceia Christian School was one of those neighbors. As I have said since solar farms began popping up on our countryside, it is a disgrace to take prime farm land to put environmental hazard panels on. Therefore, you understand I oppose any solar farms from anywhere USA. Now this is where the Wilkinson solar project becomes personable to me. One of the farms (Van Staalduinen Brothers) that the solar project is to be built is on land my Father-in-law farmed all of his life and retired from. The land was sold to his nephews in good faith that it would be farmed for many more generations. This farm joins the house and property my wife will inherent as time moves on. My concern is of the environmental effects, lower property values, unsightly glass panels in the backyard for as far as you want to see. No more prime farmland with tall corn, lush soybeans, golden wheat crops, winter time migrating swan and geese to see or hear. Think of how you would like these solar panels around your home. With this said, I plea and urge you to deny the permits for the Wilkinson project to move forward. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and understand our view.

Sincerely,

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