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From: John Rice [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 August 2024 12:05
To: Cottam Solar Project
Subject: Cottam Solar Project 7000 acres

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find my objections regarding installation of panels on the scale also the proposed sight.

Land Use: Converting large areas of farmland into solar panel installations can reduce the amount of land available for agriculture, potentially impacting food production and local ecosystems.

Agricultural Displacement: Farmers who lease their land for solar projects may face disruptions to their livelihoods and communities, as well as potential conflicts over land use.

Visual Impact: Some people may find large solar panel installations visually unappealing, especially in rural or natural landscapes.

Ecological Impact: Solar panel installations can disrupt local ecosystems, impact wildlife habitats, and alter water runoff patterns, potentially leading to environmental concerns.

Maintenance Challenges: Solar panels require regular maintenance and upkeep, which can be challenging in remote or rural locations and may require specialized skills and equipment.

Limited Flexibility: Once land is dedicated to solar panel installations, it may be difficult to repurpose or reclaim for other

uses in the future. Local Opposition: Some communities may oppose large-scale solar projects due to concerns about property values, noise, or perceived threats to the local way of life.

Disposing of end-of-life solar panels is a critical issue due to the presence of hazardous materials like lead and cadmium in their construction.

Yours Sincerely,
John Rice

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