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To: Greg Plucker
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Colusa County as Lead Agency for Janus Solar and Battery Storage Project

From: Annamarie Marsh Louie
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This is regarding public comment on the DEIR related to Janus Solar and Battery Storage Project for which Colusa County Community Development Agency is the lead agency.

My comments regarding the DEIR (Draft Environmental Impact Report) are the following:

1. The DEIR failed to adequately consider feasible alternatives to the project as required by CEQA.

There are alternative areas within Colusa County that provide for a safer location for the proposed solar facility. There are other areas closer to Colusa that would be more suited for larger solar energy projects.

Roof-top or individual residential solar installations are not adequately addressed in the DEIR. Residents all over California are benefiting by providing power on their own property and reducing their electric bills while allowing multi-use such as some small scale farming and grazing of sheep, I see substantial benefit in individual residential solar development. The analysis on this alternative is insufficient in the DEIR.

2. The DEIR failed to consider the cumulative impacts especially in relation to reasonably foreseeable future projects in the adjacent area.

The location of the solar facility in high fire danger areas is irresponsible and endangers the safety of all county residents as well as the delicate flora and fauna of the western foothills region. The area is also extremely difficult to access quickly for first responders. The DEIR fails to address the added resources needed to deal with additional solar developments should they follow in the western foothill area and the added pressure and environmental impacts that will occur with these developments.

3. The DEIR failed to adequately address significant environmental impacts, and the DEIR omitted necessary information and analysis.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the Colusa County residents is my concern as well as the delicate environment of the western foothills. Mitigation measures aren't adequately assessed.

Thank you.

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