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Please review the attached letter we are submitting, informing the county of our position regarding the Iron Horse Solar Project. We would appreciate being notified of any additional information when it becomes available.

Thank you,

Andria and Derek Graham

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To Whom It May Concern:

My husband, Derek Graham, and I just recently became aware of the purposed Iron Horse Solar Project (#CU-15-00006) on the corner of Clerf Rd. and Caribou Rd. We are concerned with the county granting a conditional use permit and allowing this project to be carried out without full consideration of the current use and future growth of the area. This is a poor use of prime farm ground and in the future would impede on growth of the Kittitas area. Where will the power from this facility be used and who will benefit? We believe these solar projects are needed and a benefit when located in the appropriate areas such as the sage brush east of Kittitas, Badger pocket areas where the wind farms are already located. In the winter there are many days our house is above the fog line and as we drive down Clerf Rd we drop into the fog. It would only make sense for a solar facility of this size to be located somewhere with less fog, on land less desired for farming or housing and in a less populated area, away from future growth. We hope the county will make a decision benefiting many, as opposed to few.

Sincerely,

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