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**To:** Jeff Watson  
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Hi -

I sent a letter to your office earlier regarding the proposed solar panel array at Iron Horse. Please notify me of the determination and all county actions related to the CUP/SEPA for this project.

Thank you.

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**From:** Darryll Sherman <darryll.sherman@gmail.com>  
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Mr. Watson -

I am writing to voice my sincere objection to the potential construction and implementation of the Iron Horse Solar Facility to be located in an existing rural farm area in Kittitas Valley in Central Washington.

I am assuming that you have already, and continue to, receive plenty of emails and letters that are citing the Growth Management Act in the RCW and a host of other legal and well-informed papers and reports that all give factual, legal and historic opinions and perspectives in an effort to show why this facility should not be constructed where it is being proposed. While I wholeheartedly agree and support all of those efforts, I would like to try to appeal to your sense of social responsibility regarding the situation.

I think most everyone would agree that employing solar power over the use of fossil fuels is a good idea in the right location. However, I think that we need to ask ourselves if it's the right thing to do in this situation.

Taking over prime, historic farm land in a rural/residential area for a solar array doesn't seem to be the best or most responsible use of our land. From what I understand, solar arrays can be constructed "in the middle of nowhere" and be just as effective. In fact – it would seem to be more responsible to use land that isn't easy to develop – and especially that hasn't already been developed – to locate this installation. There is a lot of land in the area surrounding the Kittitas Valley that would be far more suitable for a solar array installation.

This project would only have a negative effect on the surrounding residences, land and farms. In my opinion, not one person who is in a position to influence the decision to move ahead with this project would even begin to consider it if it were to impact them to the extent that it will impact these farmers and other local residences.

Think about that – If you were to lose whatever beauty that exists around your house right now and instead look out over a 48 acre Solar Panel array, I ask if you would honestly support it.

Please reconsider this project with everybody's best interest in mind and make the socially responsible decision to NOT allow its construction where proposed.

Thank you.

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