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**To:** [Chace Pedersen](#)  
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From: Randal Brown <brown\_2684@msn.com>  
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To: chace.petersen@co.kittitas.wa.us; Cory Wright <cory.wright@co.kittitas.wa.us>  
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June 9th  
Chace Peterson,  
Cory Write,

My wife and I are owners of lot 11 and family owning lot 12 in Sage Hills Drive. We chose to build a vacation cabin here because we love the views of the Kittitas valley, mountains ranges, and the natural shrub steppe serenity. We are opposed to the industrial scale of the Solar farm as designed for many reasons.

- 1, The proposed site is in the middle of where many people live to the west and to the east right up to the border of our property in Sage hills.
- 2, This industrial size project will drastically lower our property values. The last thing we want to see is a vast expanse of reflective solar panels.
- 3, the design shows the panels right up to the border of Sage hills without any kind of buffer zone.
- 4, The proposed site doesn't have enough green space between the rows of panels to accommodate wildlife like Elk, Deer, Sage Grouse and other small animals. We have witnessed a Badger den on the lower half of lot 12.
- 5, We think if this large construction project moves forward that it will pose a huge fire risk to our homes and property. I'm in the construction industry and I believe that if the project is to be installed all at once without stages the construction crew won't be able to keep hundreds of acres wet enough to reduce the fire risk from construction. It only takes one spark from heavy equipment or one cigarette from one of the crew and a little wind to set Sage hill ablaze with only minutes to evacuate. This puts our lives at risk.

Lastly we believe that a more appropriate spot for a large solar farm would be further east on the same land where the wind generation facilities now operate.  
Not around neighborhoods where people live.

Thank You for your time and consideration.

Randal & Kanya Brown lot 11  
Randy Brown lot 12