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Dear members of the Kane County Board:

I understand there's another meeting this morning about the proposed solar facility near Randall & Highland, so I'm writing to you again to restate my comments of 9/2/2025 with the hope that they'll resonate with the Board.

It's imperative that the Board consider that a solar farm is not the environmental benefit it appears to be but is an environmental nightmare. What appears on the surface to be a blessing is, in fact, harmful to the earth and a net negative on the environment.

It's a lovely idea to convert sunlight to electricity. Unfortunately, it does so with a net negative effect on the environment. From the mining of the elements that go into making it, to the fuel used to fabricate it and package it and ship it to our shores and bring it to our county and assemble it, to its ultimate destiny in our landfills in a mere 25-30 years it's an environmental nightmare.

Simply put, the Board is being sold a bill of goods, a form of pie in the sky.

I know the Board wants to do good but there are no free rides and if the proposed solar farm is approved the road to good intentions will be littered with worthless solar panels by the time our grandchildren are going out on their own.

Bad decisions inevitably come back to haunt us, even those made with the best of intentions. I hope and trust that the Board will recognize the proposed solar farm for what it is; a boondoggle that will end up an embarrassment and a blight, not just on the environment but on the current Board's legacy.

I urge the Board to consider the not-to-distant future and reject the proposed solar farm.

Respectfully,

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and currently resident of Elgin