

4610 North Road
Canandaigua, NY 14424
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Town of Canandaigua Planning Board
5440 Routes 5 & 20
Canandaigua, NY 14424

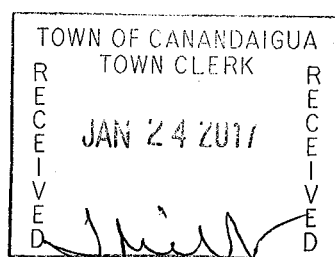
Dear Town of Canandaigua Planning Board Members,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the Special Use Permit and Site Plan Approval for a Solar Project at 4575 North Road, Canandaigua. Due to a prior commitment, I am unable to attend the Public Hearing on January 24th. Please accept this letter as my commentary on the matter.

As a North Road resident who lives very close to this proposed location, I am in strong opposition to the solar project. This area is not in any way appropriate for this type of industrial use or development. While I generally support the expansion of renewable energy sources and understand their value and need, the location for this project is far from ideal. The area around the North Road and Andrews Road intersection is currently free from both industrial and commercial operations, which is a major reason why I chose to buy a house here in 2002. In this quiet neighborhood of single-family homes, the area's charm and beauty is enhanced by farmland, open fields, and pristine woodlands. The natural spaces are enjoyed by all who live here and are essential for maintaining balance in the environment. Allowing the developing the open space would be have disastrous consequences for both residents and wildlife.

As a nearby resident, I am also concerned that the site's development would have a very negative impact on local property values. I would never choose to live near an industrial site like the one being proposed and can not imagine the project would have anything but a negative impact on property values, let alone a very negative impact on aesthetic values. Increased traffic during construction, destruction of farmland and natural spaces, and the eyesore of acres of solar panels are all reasons why I oppose this project. Perhaps an already developed and more industrial area in the Town of Canandaigua would be appropriate for this project, but the North Road site is not.

I ask that the Planning Board deny any special use permit for any proposed solar project on North Road.



Thank you,

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