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I request that no siting approval be granted in Kittitas County until the county establishes the land use regulations for commercial solar “farms” in the county.

I am also against the use of prime irrigated farm land for solar “farms”. They are not farms but rather a commercial generation plants. A great deal of public and private money has been invested in developing the farm land in Kittitas County. It would be a crime to destroy that investment.

I understand the solar companie’s desire not want to have the expense of building infrastructure but in our county I see the cost to the residents of the county is too high. This is doubly true when you look at the other possible sites in the state. They are also looking at a quick and easy build. I do not the residents of our county to lose because of their desire for an easy fix.

Examples are to name a few:

1. The south facing slopes along the Columbia river east of Goldendale adjacent to the old aluminum plant.
2. Area adjacent to the Wenatchee aluminum plant
3. The Horse Heaven area along SR 221
4. South facing slopes along the Snake River close to existing hydro generation dams.

5. The wheat areas east of SR 395

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