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Opposition to the Permit Request for Battery Storage Facility

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to formally express my opposition to the permit request for the proposed Battery Storage Facility in Solano County. While I understand the importance of advancing renewable energy and grid reliability, this project raises significant concerns that outweigh its potential benefits.

Environmental Impact:

The construction and operation of a battery storage facility at this site could have adverse environmental consequences, such as destruction of local wildlife habitats, risk of water contamination from battery chemicals, or potential harm to air quality. These impacts conflict with California's commitment to sustainable development.

Safety Risks:

Large-scale battery storage facilities carry inherent risks, including fires, explosions, and hazardous material leaks. The proposed facility's proximity to schools, residential areas, or other sensitive zones exacerbates these dangers, posing unacceptable risks to public safety.

Community Opposition and Equity:

Local residents have expressed strong opposition to this project. Proceeding with the permit would disregard their voices and potentially harm disadvantaged communities. This is contrary to California's principles of environmental justice.

Economic and Land Use Concerns:

The use of this site for a battery storage facility may not represent the most effective use of the land.

Lack of Adequate Mitigation Plans:

The applicant has not provided sufficient details about mitigation measures to address these concerns. Without clear strategies for fire prevention, waste management, and emergency response, the project is unacceptable.

I urge the Commission to prioritize projects that balance energy advancements with public safety, environmental health, and community well-being. Please deny the permit request for this facility or require a thorough reevaluation to address the concerns outlined above.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.