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This is a recap and few additional items I would like to address regarding the rezoning of the agricultural field behind my house to a solar field.

Last summer Mr. Meyers removed a large forested area located behind my house. This area though zone agricultural upon calling Kane County I found this land was also a storm water retention area. Even tho the land stopes down and away from my house I have currently lived in my home 22 years. We have seen numerous floods in this field. Please reference the flood water study by Mr. Meyers. What are the plans for flood water retention once this area is removed? I believe it says further inestigation?

At the board meeting I mentioned feeding wildlife all winter. Over the 4th I brought the solar field up to a Bartlett Trustee and that was a comment he made. Wildlife is seriously impacted. I'm sure they've moved on now. However, I understand Mr. Meyer's position on that forest and the canopy, etc. Please understand many of those trees were 100's of years old.

Also, while Mr. Meyer's removed these trees we endured months of sawing and chopping. Then we endured months of burning and smoke. In case you didn't notice his response at the last zoning meeting was that it is pretty much done and over with. He failed to mention how the fire department was called multiple x's because the fires were not monitored. The fires got out of control. Now we are facing an entire summer of having poles driven in the ground for over 10,000 solar panels. What hours are they allowed to work? My husband and I work extremely early hours. Who is monitoring the construction crews? Who is monitoring the construction crews that they will use the agreed upon road ways? Do we call the Kane County Sheriff's department or Kane County Roadways? Mr. Meyer's also tried to install an illegal culvert that was stopped somewhere is Almora Heights. Mr. Meyer's also removed trees in Randall Ridge that did not belong to him but the city of Elgin.

Lastly I was reading the land value report from 2018 on whether land values decrease or stay the same, when solar fields are installed by residential areas. While there is no set answer some are yes, some are no. I have to say I would prefer not to take a chance. A solar field is not very attractive. However, I do see multiple issues arising that Kane County will have to address now and in the future.

Sincerely

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