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I wish to address the environmental concerns that will be impacted by this proposal. This proposed solar field will have a profound impact on a vast area, especially the Douglas's Westgate conservation area, the Fearing Hill Conservation area and the Horseshoe Mill Pond area. All are connected by the Weweantic river watershed. Here we are again faced with the destruction of large acreage of forest woodlands, affecting countless environmental and conservation concerns. They have addressed these issues in their reports which again their goal is to build this solar field to make profit. On their site plan, sheet 2 of 7, under their "General Notes" #9 states "The site is not located within an estimated habitat or rare wildlife and/or a priority habitat of rare species based upon a review of the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program Maps observed on the Massachusetts Geographic information system" I have found a few discrepancies on their finding of what's on this site. To name a few examples>>>

There are 173 species of animals and 259 species of plants that are protected under the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act. These 432 native species are listed as Endangered, Threatened, or of Special Concern. And I am sure that there are more endangered on this site than I mentioned above....Also under GENERAL NOTES #10 states "the property does not lie within an area of critical Environmental concern (ACEC) based upon a review of the Massachusetts Geographic Information System" This statement needs serious review....The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation- Heritage Landscape Inventory Program- Wareham- Reconnaissance Report...States...Weweantic River Watershed- The town's goal is to protect ground water, to enhance fish and wildlife habitat, and to preserve selected areas for public access....Horseshoe Pond- The area is a popular place for fishing. A portion of the adjacent land owned by the Wildlands Trust and the town would like to preserve some public access. ...And something most people may not be aware of, Ancient Indian Route- The ancient Indian route through the Weweantic Watershed was also listed as a Significant Cultural Resource, which has not been well documented and is threatened by development.

It is obvious the concerns are not about the trees, the plants, the animals, and the conservation areas along the Weweantic river. To place such a massive solar project, and after cutting down thousands of trees, along such a sensitive environmental area is purely irresponsible. Let's stop cutting down our forests and start protecting these special places.....