

2/26/2025

To Whom it May Concern,

I am in opposition of HB 1036 for the following reasons.

It was only a short time ago that large numbers of Carroll County citizens voiced their opposition to solar energy generating systems being proposed on Agricultural zoned land, and worked along with the Commissioners to remove the code allowing such projects.

I continue to be in opposition of commercial solar projects and feel they should not be permitted take up the valuable resources of productive agricultural farmland. If there were no farms, there would be no food. No food for farm animals, no food for us.

Carroll County is a farming county. Chances are you have driven through Carroll County and witnessed our rolling hills and beautiful farms. I am proud to be a resident of this county and proud to be someone who cares and believes in preservation of our farmlands.

I pray that instead we are not barraged with an eyesore of hundreds of acres of metal and glass commercial solar panels taking up our precious farming resources.

There is a place for commercial solar – on commercial zoned land. NOT agricultural zoned land. Carroll County is doing our part to comply with green energy by housing one of the largest commercial solar projects in the country, the Summit Ridge Energy project in Hampstead (Carroll County) built on the roof tops of commercial buildings.

I do not agree with the State of Maryland ignoring Carroll County local ordinances and attempting to supersede our county law. The people of this county have spoken and we do NOT want commercial solar on our productive agricultural zoned land.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Bosse

4148 Nora Drive

Finksburg, MD 21048