

Dear Planning Board,

Our home is at 450 Woods Court and the current solar farm proposal is extremely upsetting to us since it will impact the quality of our lives and our home value. This project will destroy the rural beauty that was a major reason why we selected this location for our retirement home. We are by far the closest to the proposed solar farm with a huge visual impact and will most likely be subjected to the inverter/transformer 60hz hum.

Alternate Proposed Location: It is very painful for us to question why we were not informed of this proposal when it was first presented to the board, 10 months ago, so we might have been able to advocate for moving the site just to the south. Perhaps that location would not be as easy to develop but at least it would have minimal, if any, visual/audio impact to any homeowner and would not be visible from the road. Referring to the 1st picture below, we'd like to know if that site was a considered location? If not, can it be considered now given the impact on our home?

In the **Visual Impact Assessment** document, two other residential views with a large barrier of existing trees between them and the site were identified to justify that there will be no impact to homeowners while our home was completely ignored. When standing at the proposed site, our home is clearly visible since there are very few trees in the way, so we are trying to understand why it was not taken into consideration. We also see in the site plan that no additional barrier trees are planned to mitigate the impact of the solar array to our home. If there is no chance this project will not be approved or moved to an alternate location, can the Planning Board insist that additional barrier trees be added to the plan to mitigate the impact to our home?

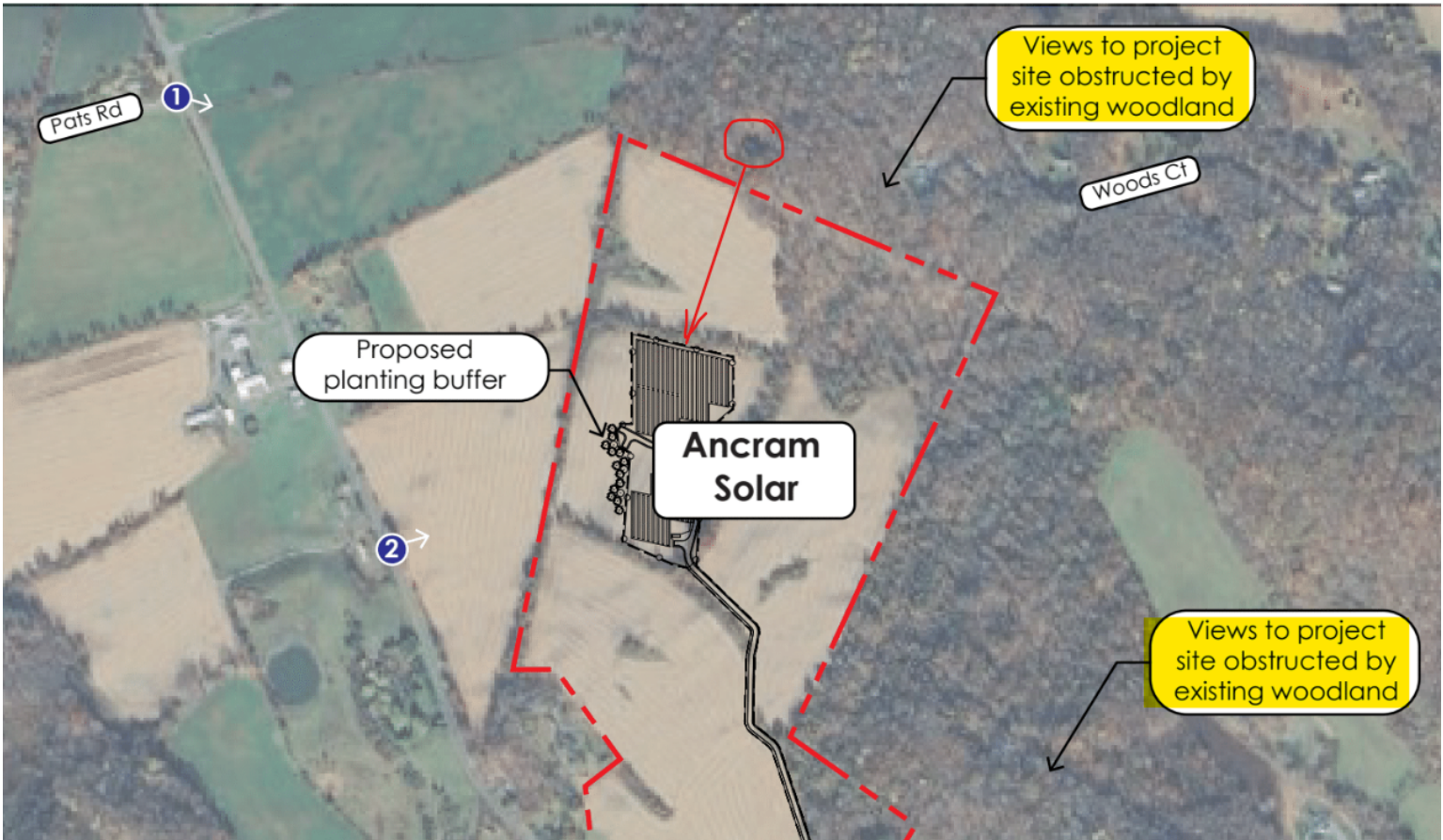
In the **Audio Impact Assessment** document, 4 other homes were used for the study to justify no impact to any homeowner, again ignoring our home which is by far most at risk of being subjected to a continuous daily 60mhz hum. Besides being so close, the hill within the site will reflect the sound towards us and the hill beyond the site sloping upwards towards our home will also tend to guide the sound amplifying our exposure to the noise. As with our question addressing the Visual Impact, if there is no chance this project will not be approved or moved to an alternate location, can the Planning Board insist that additional barrier trees be added to the plan to mitigate the impact to our home?

We sincerely hope the Planning Board will take into consideration our most unfortunate and painful reality when making a final decision on this application.

OUR PROPOSED ALTERNATE LOCATION



VISUAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT



AUDIO IMPACT ASSESSMENT

