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## SUBMISSION ON NOTIFIED APPLICATION CONCERNING RESOURCE CONSENT

RC240065 – Submission on Application by Helios Op LP to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Solar Farm in the Rural Resource Area at 48 Ranfurly-Naseby Road

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I am writing as I strongly oppose the proposal to install a 600 ha solar farm at 48 Naseby-Ranfurly Road.

I have lived in Naseby for several years and have many problems with this proposal.

Firstly, the use of Lithium batteries this close to the Naseby forest poses a severe fire threat. The town of Naseby in the summer is usually a very high to extreme fire risk, and the forest surrounding Naseby makes the town and its many historic buildings very vulnerable in the case of a fire. The

climate is often dry and windy causing fire to spread quickly and the risk of the lithium batteries combusting adds to this risk.

Secondly, the Māniatoto farmland is used for sheep, beef and dairy production. In the case that the lithium batteries or other materials used broke and released harmful materials into the soil or waterways, there could potentially be contamination of the animal products. This poses a threat to consumers of these products and could cause losses to the farmers in the area, not to mention the potential harm to the animals themselves.

Lastly, Naseby and the surrounding towns heavily rely on tourism as their business owners' source of income. The main selling point of this area is the natural beauty and cleanliness. Installing a 600 ha solar farm on the main road could deter tourists from visiting. Not only will this destroy the landscape, but it could cost the community, local economy and the business owners.

In conclusion, Naseby is not the ideal place for this installation as it could put the heritage buildings and residents lives at risk, contaminate the land and rivers that run through this area and affect the tourism that these towns so desperately rely on.

I do not wish to be heard.

Regards,  
Skye Nisbet