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Subject: Comment for West Parcel Solar Project

Becky,

It was a pleasure meeting you last night and thank you for taking time to share Mt SAC's current development plans with me.

I would like to submit the following written comment for West Parcel Solar Project Scoping Session.

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I moved to Walnut in 2010 and my families have lived in Walnut since 1986. We loved this residential community with scenic hills, vast wildlife, and nature walk trails. It is somewhat of a retreat within the traffic congested, densely populated San Gabriel Valley.

The thought of a solar farm along the main access way in the heart of the City raises many concerns: disturbances to wildlife, the ecosystem, traffic pattern and driving safety, aesthetics of the hillside, neighboring home and residents. I have heard many of my fellow Walnut residents voiced their dismay over the impacts and I would echo a thorough evaluation of these facets in the environmental study.

A significant population in Walnut are long time residents with no plans to relocate. To help long time residents understand the implications of co-existing with a solar farm, it is prudent for the environmental study to cover the full life span of the solar farm including its impacts 10 years, 20 years from now and the demolition and environment restoration to sunset the facilities at the end of its useful life. Additionally, it would be beneficial to cite environmental issues experienced by solar farms currently in operation and include in this study any issues pertinent to this project.