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Hello,

I'm writing to oppose the proposed Project PAPL-2026-00001 that would put a solar facility in Big Bear, CA. This large construction on a nearly 30 acre parcel would disrupt the established wildlife and environment, as well as the community of Big Bear. This is an area with surrounding homes and families, not a "middle of nowhere" plot of land.

There would be people negatively impacted by the construction and completion of this solar facility. I recommend denying this and hope you do too.

Thank you,  
Big Bear Resident - Taylor W.

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Dear Members of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to respectfully urge you to uphold the Planning Commission's recommendation and deny Project PAPL-2026-00001, the proposed industrial solar facility on Erwin Ranch Road.

The Planning Commission already found this project to be incompatible with the surrounding area. This is not a remote industrial site. The proposed facility would be located directly adjacent to existing homes, with at least one residence only 28 feet away, and within walking distance of Ranch Park, where local families gather and children play.

I am particularly concerned about the impact this project could have on the unique wildlife and habitat that make Bear Valley special. This area supports migrating burros and the endangered unarmored threespine stickleback, a species found only in this region. Once critical habitat is disturbed or lost, it cannot simply be recreated elsewhere.

I would also ask the Board to carefully consider the financial burden on local residents. Bear Valley Electric customers already pay some of the highest electricity rates in California. Utility filings indicate that the costs of this project are expected to be recovered through customer rates over time, meaning local families and businesses will ultimately bear the financial burden.

I would like to share a personal experience that illustrates why this area is so meaningful to me.

On June 30, 2025, my 39th birthday, I was hiking in the area proposed for development when I unexpectedly encountered a large gathering of wild burros. I stood there counting them one by one and was amazed to discover there were exactly 39 burros—one for each year of my

life. It felt like a remarkable and memorable connection to this landscape and the wildlife that call it home.

That experience stayed with me. I am a nature lover, an avid hiker, and a stained-glass artist. The photographs I took of those burros have inspired many of my stained-glass creations, and they continue to remind me of the beauty and wild character of Bear Valley. The thought of losing or disrupting the habitat that supports these animals is deeply saddening.

I respectfully ask that you protect this special area, honor the Planning Commission's findings, and deny Project PAPL-2026-00001.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and service to our community.

Sincerely,

Kendra Didonato  
Big Bear City  
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