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I have tried to use the link to have my say on the 5th stage of the cottam solar project based on the new projection maps of the vast amount of land that will be taken up by all the current proposed solar sites in our area. The link does not work so I wish to make my feelings known.

The absolutely vastness of all of these schemes together should they be passed by the Inspectorate would be devastating to our area of Lincolnshire. I moved here from Kent one year ago for a better and more affordable life in the countryside. If this scheme goes ahead I will have solar farms in front (cottam) and all around my house, ruining my views and my enjoyment of the beautiful place that I live in. It would mean we would be living in an industrialised zone and if allowed to go ahead I believe the value of my home would be significantly reduced. We have vast amounts of wildlife and birds in the fields all around us and the scheme moving forward will mean the culling of all of these animals in the solar array zones. I am also incredibly concerned about the safety and noise of being made to live surrounded by these panels and the battery storage facilities. Whilst we understand we must have a better energy source for our future the sheer size of this scheme and the culminative effect of the others is so out of proportion it will be a huge scar on this beautiful landscape that I will never see this way again in my lifetime if they are allowed to go ahead.

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