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Dear Siting Board,

Please incorporate my recommendations regarding proposed energy siting regulations and guidelines that are in development by the Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB) and Department of Public Utilities (DPU):

Power of discretion and authority should be provided to the towns that allows for:

- **Locally created and enforceable safety standards for battery storage.**
- **Town-specific capacity and siting goals, with local control of siting.**
- **Authority for municipalities to reject any proposal for minimization and/or mitigation that is deemed to be a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of town citizens or to the protection of natural and cultural values in the town, as determined by local boards and commissions.**

Sincerely,  
Sarah Corbitt



NOTE: I am sharing this opinion as a private citizen, not as a town official.