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I am a...

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Are you commenting on a straw proposal?

Yes

If yes , which one?

Procedural Regulations

Comment/Question

With regards to the CBP- Community Business Plan - per your slides, this is not legally enforceable. However, you hope that it results in a CBA- Community Business Agreement. Per "The Act", a CBP does not hold up the building permit and is worked on concurrently as the building of the project. Where is the incentive for the developer to come to a quick, mutually beneficial agreement if you issue the comprehensive building permit prior to this plan becoming a legal agreement? The host town is at risk if the developer fails to follow thru with legally binding agreement. Seems like your act protects your developers and the states goals without protecting those towns hosting all the panels and batteries. Very similar to no protection of the towns and landowners that host renewable with little or no decommissioning bonds to cover site cleanup. I would have faith in the follow thru of mega developers intentions if you mandated a signed, legal binding community agreement prior to building permit.