

Forest destroyed for solar?

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To whom it may concern,

Please consider the valuable carbon storing, carbon "sink" ecosystem service that forests can provide storing continually more carbon for years into the future. Terrestrial forests are the largest sink for carbon on land, and land based ecosystems absorb more atmospheric carbon than do the oceans which are the second largest carbon sink. If we destroy the ability of natural systems such as forests, to draw down the atmospheric carbon that has already been emitted by fossil fuels and from deforestation, then we are doomed to end the human story on earth. Please don't be that foolish. Consider the futures of our children and grand children. Only when land fill caps, roofs and parking lots all have solar arrays should we even consider destroying farm lands and forests. solar arrays are now the single largest source of deforestation in Massachusetts

Sincerely,

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