

## SMART Public Comment

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Every tree we cut hurts us. Please preserve trees as much as possible by revising and utilizing the SMART program. Farm and woodlands are vital economically and environmentally. As a former staff person at MDAR, I am passionate about those special places in this state where nature prevails.

In building roads, in developing solar "farms," and in all construction that might call for the cutting down of trees, STOP long enough to try to find alternatives. We need trees - and they look a whole lot better than solar panels. Every time we cut a tree, we send more carbon into the atmosphere, and then we need more solar panels. Seems silly...and dangerous.

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