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Natasha Homsey
Environmental Assessment Officer
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Dear Natasha,

I live at my parent's farm next door to the proposed solar farm.

I am concerned that Photon Energy are planning to construct a solar farm in a flood way on the western side of my home. This means that when the river breaks it's banks and floods on my parents farm there may be nowhere for the flood water to go if the fence around the solar farm backs up the normal flow of flood water.

My parents have built a new house on an elevated pad to provide protection from flood water entering our home. I am concerned that backed up water could now enter our home and also flood our cattle which would cause death to their stock of 180 cattle.

Council directed a bank to be built at 1.9 metres around the neighbours' new house to provide flood protection, on the property where the proposed solar farm has submitted a development application. I am only 20 years old, but I cannot understand why the NSW Government would spend millions of dollars investing on a solar farm that could be potentially washed away and also cause destruction and harm to the local community.

I oppose the solar farm as I have seen the flooding around my home and do not consider building a solar farm in a flood prone area is a practical or worthwhile proposal.

Yours sincerely,

