As can be seen in the chart below, of the 39 responses all of the responses have indicated that they make no adjustment to properties adjoining solar farms. Several assessors indicated that it would require an adjoining property owner to appeal their property value with data showing a negative impact before they would make any adjustment and to date they have not had that happen.

I also point out specifically Clay County. I spoke with the assessor there specifically about adjustments that were applied to some properties near a solar farm back in 2008. She was unaware of the details of that event as she was not in this position at that time. As discussed earlier in this report the lower re-assessments at that solar farm were based on a County Official, who owned property adjacent to the solar farm, who made an appeal to the assessor for reductions for his own property. The noted lack of lot sales after announcement of the solar farm however coincided with the recession in 2008/2009 and lack of lot sales effectively defined that area during that time, but without relying on any data the assessor made that change in that time frame based on conversations with the assessor. Since then, Clay County has confirmed that they do not currently make any changes to adjoining property values and the current county assessor was not even aware that they had in the past done so.

NC Assessor Survey on Solar Farm Property Value Impacts

County	Assessor's Name	Number of Farms	Change in Adjacent Property Value
Alexander	Doug Fox	3	No
Buncombe	Lisa Kirbo	1	No
Burke	Daniel Isenhour	3, 2 on 1 parcel, 1 on 3 parcels	No
Cabarrus	Justin	less than 10, more in the works	No
Caldwell	Monty Woods	3 small	No, but will look at data in 2025
Catawba	Lori Ray	14	No
Chatham	Jenny Williams	13	No
Cherokee	Kathy Killian	9	No
Chowan	Melissa Radke	3, I almost operational	No
Clay	Bonnie L. Lyvers	o, ramost operational	No
Davidson	Libby	1	No
Duplin	Gary Rose	34, 2 more in planning	No
Franklin	Marion Cascone	11	No
Gaston	Traci Hovis	3	No
Gates	Chris Hill	3	No
Granville	Jenny Griffin	8	No
Halifax	C. Shane Lynch	Multiple	No
Hoke	Mandi Davis	4	No
Hyde	Donnie Shumate	1 to supplement egg processing plant	No
Iredell	Wes Long	2, 3 others approved	No
Lee	Lisa Faulkner	8	No
Lincoln	Susan Sain	2	No
Moore	Michael Howery	10	No
New Hanover	Rhonda Garner	35	No
Orange	Chad Phillip	2 or 7 depending on breakdown	No
Pender	Kayla Bolick Futrell	6	No
Person	Russell Jones	9	No
Pitt	Russell D. Hill	8, 1 in planning	No
Randolph	Mark Frick	19	No
Rockingham	Mark C McClintock	6	No
Rutherford	Kim Aldridge	20	No
Sampson	Jim Johnson	9, 1 in construction	No
Scotland	James Brown	15, 1 in process	No
Stokes	Richard Brim	2	No
Surry	Penny Harrison	4, 2 more in process	No
Union	Robin E. Merry	6	No
Vance	Cathy E. Renn	13	No
Warren	John Preston	7	No
Wayne	Alan Lumpkin	32	No
Wilson	William (Witt) Putney	~16	No, mass appraisal standards applied

Responses: 39

Negative Impact on Adjoining Value = Yes: 0 Negative Impact on Adjoining Value = No: 39