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Question: in your review process, how does the State of WA consider County ordinances that appear to be out of sync with any basis in science or not based on precedence for similar projects, nor consistent with ordinances adopted by other Counties? For example, Douglas County has recently adopted an Ordinance that imposes a 7-mile set-back from the airport for any solar projects. County officials are on record confirming that this set-back is arbitrary and not based on science. Further, there is considerable precedence across the country of solar projects being in close proximity to airports. For example, Indianapolis International airport has a 20 MW solar project which includes over 87,000 solar panels within a mile of the airport... in fact, some of the banks of solar panels are within a couple hundred yards of the runways. So, in a case where it appears the County is trying to block a project like this through the adoption of arbitrary ordinances that render the project un-doable if followed, how does the State consider such activism by the County in its review and decision-making?