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### Floating Solar Panels at Twin Lakes Reservoir

On Monday, May 22nd, 2023, City Council will be considering legislation to enter into a contract with D3 Energy, LLC for the design and construction of floating solar panels that will be located on the surface of Twin Lakes Reservoir, next to the City of Lima's Water Treatment Plant. The floating solar system will have a power output of 2 megawatts and will consist of 3,640 panels spanning over 4 acres of water surface.

The City of Lima will then be reimbursed for up to \$500,000 incurred through a grant from the Department of Energy. Once completed, the floating solar system will provide renewable energy for the city while conserving valuable land and contributing to the city's sustainable energy goals.

This project would be one of the first of its kind in Ohio. Many Ohio municipalities have large reservoirs and little available land near their water treatment plants. Floating solar panels would allow these municipalities to turn one of their largest energy consumers into a green-powered facility. We believe this project could be the gold standard for other cities in Ohio to follow, paving the way to green energy while preserving land use.