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Hi Everyone

Hope you are enjoying the sunny afternoon!

This was a real eye opener! The importance of complete systems thinking becomes obvious in this article. This is the kind of thinking that Ann Arbor should be engaging in with its planning for the future. Short termism and short sightedness can be very dangerous. What you value and prioritize becomes very important and sometimes hard to tease out.

<https://theconversation.com/solar-panels-in-sahara-could-boost-renewable-energy-but-damage-the-global-climate-heres-why-153992>

Just more grist for the mill.

Be well,

Julie Ritter

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I'm beginning to think "hindsight is 2020" was some kind of message from a future time traveler that we all misunderstood. - Victoria Guida