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SEP 26 2019

Upstate New York Section

SUBJECT: Permit Application No. NAN-2019-01104-USH  
by Oak Hill Solar 1, LLC and Oak Hill Solar 2, LLC  
Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

Giovanni Maruca  
Oak Hill Solar 1, LLC and Oak Hill Solar 2, LLC  
333 Broadway, Suite 460  
Troy, New York 12180

Dear Mr. Maruca

On August 28, 2019, this office received your Joint Application Form dated August 16, 2019, and the attached drawings entitled "Proposed Site Plan for Oak Hill Solar 1 & 2", Sheet Nos. 6, 7, and 8 of 10, all prepared by Environmental Design Partnership, LLP, dated February 8, 2019, and last revised June 6, 2019. The submitted information describes a proposal that would consist of the following:

**The discharge of fill material into approximately 0.02 acres of waters of the United States, including wetlands to facilitate the installation of an access road in association with the construction a ground mounted solar farm. In addition, approximately 0.06 acres of wetland will be temporarily impacted to facilitate the installation of underground utility cables. All temporary impacts will be restored to pre-existing contours and conditions.**

Based upon the information provided, it appears that your proposed work may be authorized under Department of the Army nationwide general permit numbers: 12 and 14. The nationwide permits are prescribed as a Reissuance of Nationwide Permits in the Federal Register dated January 6, 2017 (82 FR 1860).

The work may be performed without further authorization from this office provided the activity complies with the terms and conditions of the Nationwide Permits (NWP) and the permit conditions listed in Section B, Nos. 12 and 14, Section C, any applicable New York District regional conditions, and any applicable regional conditions added by the State of New York. Please note that NWP General Condition No. 12 requires the installation and maintenance of proper soil erosion and sediment controls during construction.

The 2017 Nationwide Permits, including their final regional conditions, water quality certifications, and coastal zone concurrence statements are available at:

<http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Nationwide-Permits/>

PLEASE USE THE ABOVE 18-CHARACTER FILE NUMBER ON ALL CORRESPONDENCE WITH THIS OFFICE

Please review and familiarize yourself with all relevant terms and conditions of the nationwide permit prior to proceeding with your project, and subsequently ensure you adhere to all conditions through the duration of the project. If you do not have internet access and require a specific paper copy, please contact the undersigned to request one be mailed to you. Please be sure to have your permit application number readily available when you call.

This verification is valid until March 18, 2022, unless the nationwide permit is modified, reissued, or revoked. This verification will remain valid until March 18, 2022, if the activity complies with the terms of any subsequent modifications of the nationwide permit authorization. If the nationwide permits are suspended, revoked, or modified in such a way that the activity would no longer comply with the terms and conditions of a nationwide permit, and the proposed activity has commenced, or is under contract to commence, the permittee shall have 12 months from the date of such action to complete the activity.

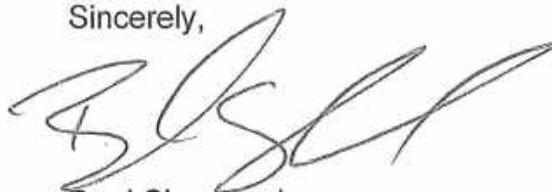
Please note that this determination does not eliminate the need to obtain any other Federal, State, or local authorizations required by law for the above described work, including any required permit from the NYSDEC.

In order for us to better serve you, please complete our Customer Service Survey located at:

<http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/CustomerSurvey.aspx>

Any inquiries can be directed to the undersigned at (518) 266-6355.

Sincerely,



Brad Sherwood  
Project Manager  
Upstate New York Section

Enclosure

Cf: Gabriel, T. – NYSDEC, Region 4, Schenectady (4-4220-00309/00001)  
Town of Duanesburg  
Kirkpatrick, B. - EDR



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**NATIONWIDE PERMIT COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION AND REPORT FORM**

Permittee: Oak Hill Solar 1 & 2, LLC Permit No. NAN-2019-01104-USH

Date Permit Issued: SEP 26 2019

Location: Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

Within 30 days of the completion of the activity authorized by this permit and any mitigation required by the permit, sign this certification and return it to the address at the bottom of this form.

Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this permit, you are subject to permit suspension, modification, or revocation.

I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above referenced permit has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of said permit, and required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Permittee Date

Fold this form into thirds, with the bottom third facing outward. Tape it together and mail to the address below  
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Application Number NAN-2019-01104-USH

**MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD**

**SUBJECT:** Department of the Army Memorandum Documenting Nationwide Permit Verification

**Applicant:** Oak Hill Solar 1, LLC and Oak Hill Solar 2, LLC

**Project Location (Waterway, Section, Township, Range, City, County, State):** Unnamed trib. to Schoharie Creek, Mohawk River, Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

**Pre-Construction Notification Receipt Date:** 8-28-19      **Complete?**  Yes  No

**Additional Information Requested Date:**

**Pre-Construction Notification Complete Date:** 8-28-19

**Waters of the US: Wetlands and unnamed tributary**

\*see Approved/Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination form(s) and/or letter(s) dated:

**Authority:**  Section 10     Section 404     Section 103

**Project Description (Describe activities in waters of the U.S. considered for verification):** The discharge of fill material into approximately 0.02 acres of waters of the United States, including wetlands to facilitate the installation of an access road in association with the construction a ground mounted solar farm. In addition, approximately 0.06 acres of wetland will be temporarily impacted to facilitate the installation of underground utility cables. All temporary impacts will be restored to pre-existing contours and conditions.

**Type of Permit Requested:** NWP # 12 and 14

**Pre-construction Notification Required:**  Yes  No

**Waiver required to begin work (see GC 32 (a)(2) as applied to appropriate NWP):**

Yes     No

**Rationale:**

**Coordination with Agencies/Tribes Needed:**  Yes     No    Date:

**Resolution:**

**Commenting Agencies:**

US Fish and Wildlife Service  
US Environmental Protection Agency  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
State Agency (list commenting state agencies)  
State Historic Preservation Office  
Other:

**Substantive Issues Raised and Corps Resolution (*Consideration of Comments*):**

**Compliance with Other Federal Laws (*If specific law is not applicable write N/A*):**

a) Endangered Species Act:

Name of species present: Northern long-eared bat  
Effects determination: No Effect  
Date of Service(s) concurrence: N/A  
Basis for "no effect" determination: No tree clearing proposed at part of the proposed project  
Additional information (optional):

b) Magnuson-Stevens Act (Essential Fish Habitat): N/A

Name of species present:  
Effects determination:  
Date of Service(s) concurrence:  
Basis for "no effect" determination:  
Additional information (optional):

c) Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act:

Known site present:  yes  no  
Survey required/conducted:  yes  no  
Effects determination: No Effect  
Rationale: Date consultation complete (if necessary):  
Additional information (optional):

d) Section 401 Water Quality Certification:

Water Quality Certification required:  yes  no  
 Issued       Waived       Denied       Blanket

e) Coastal Zone Management Act:

Individual certification required:  yes  no  
 Issued       Waived       Denied  
Additional information (optional):

f) Wild and Scenic Rivers Act:

Project located on designated or "study" river:  yes  no  
Managing Agency:  
Date written determination provided that the project will not adversely affect the Wild and Scenic River designation or study status:  
Additional information (optional):

g) Other:

**Special Conditions Required (*include rationale for each required condition/explanation for requiring no special conditions*):**  yes  no

The general and regional conditions to which the proposed work would be subject if authorized by the NWP are adequate to assure that aquatic and other environmental effects are minimized to the maximum extent practicable, including the required implementation of best management practices during construction.


**Compensatory Mitigation Determination:** The applicant has avoided and minimized impacts to the maximum extent practicable.

- (1) Is compensatory mitigation required for unavoidable impacts to jurisdictional aquatic resources to reduce the individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects to a minimal level?  
 yes  no The proposed work will result in less than 0.10 acres of loss of wetlands and compensatory mitigation is not required or warranted.
- (2) Is the impact in the service area of an approved mitigation bank?  yes  no
  - i. Does the mitigation bank have appropriate number and resource type of credits available?  
 yes  no
- (3) Is the impact in the service area of an approved in-lieu fee program?  yes  no
  - i. Does the in-lieu fee program have appropriate number and resource type of credits available?  yes  no
- (4) Check the selected compensatory mitigation option(s):
  - mitigation bank credits
  - in-lieu fee program credits
  - permittee-responsible mitigation under a watershed approach
  - permittee-responsible mitigation, on-site and in-kind
  - permittee-responsible mitigation, off-site and out-of-kind
- (5) If a selected compensatory mitigation option deviates from the order of the options presented in §332.3(b)(2)-(6), explain why the selected compensatory mitigation option is environmentally preferable. Address the criteria provided in §332.3(a)(1) (i.e., the likelihood for ecological success and sustainability, the location of the compensation site relative to the impact site and their significance within the watershed, and the costs of the compensatory mitigation project):

**Determination (Reference Section D. District Engineer's Decision):**

The proposed activity would result in no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects and would not be contrary to the public interest. This project complies with all terms and conditions of NWP # 12 and 14, as prescribed as a Reissuance of Nationwide Permits in the Federal Register dated January 6, 2017 (82 FR 1860), including any applicable regional conditions.

PREPARED AND APPROVED BY:

  
Brad Sherwood  
Project Manager  
Upstate New York Section

Date: **SEP 26 2019**

SEP 26 2019

**CENAN-OP-RU  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT**

APPLICATION NUMBER: NAN-2019-01104-USH

LOCATION: 13590 Duanesburg Road, Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

PURPOSE OF INSPECTION: To review the wetland delineation and proposed impact areas

DATE OF INSPECTION: 9-20-19

CORPS INSPECTOR: Brad Sherwood

PARTICIPANTS/AFFILIATIONS: Brian Kirkpatrick – Environmental Design & Research (EDR)

**OBSERVATIONS:**

The 99-acre site is located north of Duanesburg Road (NYS Route 7), and west of Youngs Road. The area consists predominantly of open, fallow agricultural fields, with a small portion of forested hedgerows. EDR delineated four wetlands (A, B, C, and D) that totaled 7.71 acres, and one stream channel totaling 640 linear feet. These potential waters of the United States were identified in the drawings entitled "Proposed Site Plan for Oak Hill Solar 1& 2", Sheet Nos. 6, 7, and 8 of 10, all prepared by Environmental Design Partnership, LLP, dated February 8, 2019, and last revised June 6, 2019.


The drawings depicts the proposed land-based solar project with associated utilities and roadways. The project would result in temporary impacts to 0.06 acres of wetland in association with the installation of underground cables, and permanent impacts to 0.02 acres of wetland in association with the access road. The access road is proposed to be constructed across narrow portions of the wetland to limit the permanent impacts.

Mr. Sherwood reviewed the property and the delineation, and requested no changes or modifications to the above referenced plans/drawings.

**CONCLUSION:**

The application will continued to be reviewed and processed, and then this office may be able to issue an authorization for the proposed project. This office will contact the applicant/consultant if additional information is necessary after further review of the application.

PREPARED BY:

  
Brad Sherwood  
Upstate New York Section

## Sherwood, Bradley J CIV USARMY CENAN (USA)

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**From:** Sherwood, Bradley J CIV USARMY CENAN (USA)  
**Sent:** Friday, September 06, 2019 11:38 AM  
**To:** Brian Kirkpatrick  
**Cc:** Dangler, Andrew C CIV USARMY CENAN (USA)  
**Subject:** RE: Oak Hill Solar

How about Friday, the 20th at 10?

-----Original Message-----

From: Brian Kirkpatrick [mailto:bkirkpatrick@edrdpc.com]  
Sent: Friday, September 06, 2019 11:29 AM  
To: Sherwood, Bradley J CIV USARMY CENAN (USA) <Brad.Sherwood@usace.army.mil>  
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Re: Oak Hill Solar

Either day would work

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S®6 active, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: "Sherwood, Bradley J CIV USARMY CENAN (USA)" <Brad.Sherwood@usace.army.mil>  
Date: 9/6/19 11:26 (GMT-05:00)  
To: Brian Kirkpatrick <bkirkpatrick@edrdpc.com>  
Subject: Oak Hill Solar

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Good morning Brian,

Trying to set up a site visit for this project in the Town of Duanesburg. I was wondering if Sept 19 or 20 would work for that.

Thanks,  
Brad

Brad Sherwood, Senior Project Manager  
NY District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Upstate Regulatory Field Office  
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New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
Notification of Availability for Review



**To** HABITAT Region 4 Stamford Sub-Office  
US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS - NY DIST ALBANY OFFICE

**From** PATRICIA M GABRIEL **Send Date** August 28, 2019  
NYSDEC Region 4 Headquarters **Reply By** September 11, 2019  
Schenectady NY 12306 (518) 357-2069

**Application Id** 4-4220-00309/00001 **Batch ID** 849088

**SPDES ID** **Mined Land ID** **Solid Waste ID**

**Permits Applied** 1 - Section 401 - Clean Water Act Water Quality Certification

**Applicant/Owner** Oak Hill Solar 1 LLC **Owner ID** 1792077

**Facility Name** Oak Hill Solar 1 & 2

**Facility Address** 13590 -13592 Duanesburg Rd Duanesburg NY

**County** SCHENECTADY COUNTY **NYTM-E:** 561.083  
**Town** DUANESBURG **NYTM-N:** 4730.923

**Description**  
construct 2 solar arrays

**Sender Comments**  
application for WQC for a proposal solar array in Duanesburg. Please review and comment.

Brad - you should have received this directly.

Reviewer Comments / Recommendations

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**Comments continued on back** \_\_\_\_\_ **Comments attached** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reviewed By** \_\_\_\_\_  
(name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (unit) \_\_\_\_\_ (phone) \_\_\_\_\_ (date)



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September 6, 2019

SUBJECT: Permit Application No. **NAN-2019-01104-USH**  
by Oak Hill Solar 1 LLC & Oak Hill Solar 2 LLC  
Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

Giovanni Maruca  
Oak Hill Solar 1 LLC  
Oak Hill Solar 2 LLC  
333 Broadway Ste 460  
Troy, New York 12180-3279

Dear Mr. Maruca:

We have received your application for a Department of the Army permit for property located near Duanesburg Road in the Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York pursuant to:

Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899

Section 404 of the Clean Water Act

Please use the above referenced application number when requesting information concerning your application. This number will be used on any further correspondence.

You are advised not to undertake any activity in connection with the proposed work within waters of the United States until any required Department of the Army authorization has been obtained.

Please contact Brad Sherwood, the assigned Project Manager at (518) 266-6355 or e-mail address [brad.sherwood@usace.army.mil](mailto:brad.sherwood@usace.army.mil) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Mark D. Spivey  
Program Assistant

CF:  
P. Gabriel - NYSDEC Region 4, Stamford (4-4220-00309/00001)  
B. Kirkpatrick - EDR

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# letter of transmittal

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Upstate Regulatory Field Office  
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1 Buffington Street  
Watervliet, NY 12189-4000

**EDR Project No:** 19058

**From:** Brian Kirkpatrick

**Date:** August 26, 2019

**Reference:** Oak Hill Solar Pre-Construction Notice

**We are sending:** Attached

**Sent Via:** UPS

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**AUG 28 2019**

USACE NY DISTRICT URFO

**Comments:**

To Whom it May Concern:

Enclosed please find one copy of the Pre-Construction Notice and one full-size drawings for the Oak Hill Solar Project.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need any further information ([bkirkpatrick@edrdpc.com](mailto:bkirkpatrick@edrdpc.com)).

Sincerely,

Brian Kirkpatrick

**Copies To:** NYSDEC, Region 4  
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August 20, 2019

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USACE NY DISTRICT URFO

Re: Pre-Construction Notice  
 Nationwide Permits 12, 14 and 51  
 Oak Hill Solar 1 & 2  
 13590 Duanesburg Road  
 Parcel ID: 74.00-2-5  
 Town Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of Oak Hill Solar 1, LLC, and Oak Hill Solar 2, LLC Environmental Design & Research, Landscape Architecture, Engineering & Environmental Services, D.P.C (EDR) is pleased to submit this Pre-Construction Notice (PCN) to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to verify that the proposed construction of the Oak Hill Solar 1 & 2 (Project) meets the requirements of Nationwide Permits (NWP) 12, 14 and/or 51. In accordance with the requirements General Condition 32 and conditions G-E and G-F of the *Final 2017 Nationwide Permit Regional Conditions and Designated Critical Resource Waters in the Buffalo (LRB) and New York (NAN) Districts for New York State* (effective March 19, 2017 and expiring March 18, 2022) the following information is provided for your review:

**Name, address and telephone numbers of the prospective permittee**

Oak Hill Solar 1, LLC and Oak Hill Solar, 2 LLC

**Location of the proposed activity**

The Project is located on an approximately 99-acre parcel in the Town Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York (hereafter referred to as the "Project Site"). The majority of the Project Site consist of active agricultural field and areas of open meadow, forest and shrubland. The Project site is identified as parcel 74.00-2-5 in the Town of Duanesburg tax records

The Project Site is identified as:

Oak Hill Solar 1 & 2  
 13590 Duanesburg Road  
 Town Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

Latitude: 42.729401 Longitude: -74.252744

#### **Identification of the specific NWP or NWP(s)**

Nationwide Permits (NWP) 12, 14 and/or 51 as appropriate. Activities include the construction of a land-based renewable energy facility. Activities requiring the discharge of fill to Waters of the United States (WOUS) include construction of an at-grade, limited, use permeable access road and installation of underground utility lines

#### **Description of the proposed activity**

Oak Hill Solar 1, LLC and Oak Hill Solar 2 LLC are proposing to construct **two solar farms totaling 10 MW on the Project Site**. As depicted on the attached site plans and details, through careful planning the has minimized the discharge of fill, mechanical land clearing and trenching requiring backfill in WOUS. Project implementation will require the disturbance of less than 0.1 acre of WOUS for the construction of an access road and installation of underground utilities. The Project also includes driving of piles for the solar panel racking system in emergent wetlands/wet meadows within the existing hayfields.

#### **Delineation of Wetlands**

EDR personnel conducted field delineations of wetlands and streams on the portion of the Project Site proposed for Project development on April 23 2019. The identification of wetland boundaries was based on the methodology described in the *Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual* (Environmental Laboratory, 1987). Determination of wetland boundaries was also guided by the methodologies presented in the *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region, Version 2.0* (USACE, 2012). Wetland boundaries were defined in the field with sequentially-numbered pink surveyor's flagging, mapped using GPS technology with reported sub-meter accuracy, and subsequently plotted on Project Site plans.

A Wetlands Delineation Report is provided as Attachment A and contains a Vicinity Map with latitude and longitude coordinates (Latitude: 42.729401 Longitude: -74.252744) of the Project and information on aquatic resources using the Cowardin Classification System Mapping conventions

#### **New York State/USACE Joint Application Form**

A completed copy of the New York State/USACE Joint Application Form is provided as Attachment B.

#### **Drawings**

Legible black and white project drawings on 8.5" by 11" paper depicting the location of WOUS on the Project Site, and the work to be undertaken are provided as Attachment C. Project drawings include a Vicinity Map, Plan View and Cross-Section View.

#### **Color Photographs**

Photos sufficient to accurately portray the Project Site, keyed to a location map and not taken when snow cover is present are provided in the attached Wetlands Delineation Report (Attachment A).

#### **Avoidance and Minimization**

There a total of 7.71 acres of palustrine emergent (PEM) wetlands within the Project limits. Project implementation requires the permanent loss of less than 1,035 square feet of the wetlands for the construction of a limited use pervious access road and the temporary disturbance of 2,569 square feet of PEM wetlands for the installation of underground collection cables and. All other construction activities requiring the discharge of fill, including transformer stations, converters and parts storage containers have been located outside of WOUS. To further avoid and minimize discharge of fill to WOUS collection lines will be placed in trays rather than buried in trenches. Existing vegetation communities, hydric soils and wetlands hydrology will be retained in the remaining areas of PEM wetlands.

### **Mitigation**

The project will result in the loss of less than 0.1 acre of WOUS and no loss of intermittent or ephemeral streams. Therefore, mitigation is not required for this Project

### **Nationwide Rivers Inventory**

No river segment listed within the National Park Service Nationwide Rivers Inventory (NRI) is located within or adjacent to the proposed Project Site.

### **Historic or Cultural Resources**

The New York State EAF Mapper identified the Sheldon Farmhouse and archeological resources in the vicinity of the Project. However, all of the project activities are located within soils previously disturbed for agriculture and project implementation requires minimal land disturbance. Other than the remnants of stone walls created as part of farming activities on the Project Site there are no above ground structures greater than 50 years old within the limits of the project.

The New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) reviewed the report entitled *Phase I Archaeological Investigation, Oak Hill Solar Farms, NY-7 / Duanesburg Road, Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York* (May 2019). No archaeological resources were identified during the survey. In letter dated June 4, 2019 the SHPO indicated they have no concerns regarding the project's potential to affect historic architectural resources. A copy of the SHPO letter is provided as Attachment D.

### **Endangered Species and Essential Fish Habitat**

No essential fish habitat exists on the Project Site. The New York State EAF Mapper identified the presence of northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) in the vicinity of the site. Project implementation does not require the cutting or removal of any trees and the Project does not present a risk of collision mortality to bats. Therefore, no adverse impacts to northern long-eared bat are anticipated as a result of the proposed Project. A copy of the results of an iPAC review of the Project is provided as Attachment E.

### **100 Year Floodplain**

No portion of the project is located within a mapped 100-year floodplain

### **Submission of Multiple Copies of PCN**

A total of two copies of this application package are being provided to the USACE.

**Critical Resource Waters**

The Project is not located in Critical Resource Waters as described in Condition G-F of the Final 2017 Nationwide Permit Regional Conditions and Designated Critical Resource Waters in the Buffalo (LRB) and New York (NAN) Districts of the State of New York (Effective March 19, 2017 - Expiring March 18, 2022).

EDR respectfully requests your concurrence that the project meets the conditions of NWP's 12, 14 and/or 51.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Regards:



Brian Kirkpatrick, CWB  
Director of Ecological Services

**List of Attachments**

Attachment A – Wetland Delineation Report

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Attachment C – Project Drawings

Attachment D – SHPO Correspondence

Attachment E – Endangered Species Consultation



Attachment A  
Wetland Delineation Report

# Wetland and Stream Delineation Report

Oak Hill Solar

Pin 2650.52

Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

Prepared for:



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**July 2019**

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 PROJECT SITE DESCRIPTION

At the request of Eden Renewables, LLC., Environmental Design & Research, Landscape Architecture, Engineering & Environmental Services, D.P.C. (EDR) has conducted a wetland and stream delineation on a 99-acre area (Parcel ID: 74.00-2-5) north of Interstate 86 and between County Road (CR) 153 and State Route (SR) 30, in the Town of Duaneburg, Schenectady County, New York (Figure 1). The 99-acre area (hereafter referred to as the Project Site) is proposed for the construction of a new ground-mounted solar project called Oak Hill Solar.

### 1.2 PURPOSE

The purpose of this study was to delineate and describe on-site wetlands and streams that occur within the Project Site and could potentially fall under state or federal jurisdiction. Specific tasks performed for this study included 1) review of background resource data/mapping, 2) field delineation and flagging of potential state and federal jurisdictional wetlands and streams, 3) Global Positioning System (GPS) survey of delineated wetland and stream boundaries, 4) quantification of the area of on-site wetlands and streams, 5) description of these potential jurisdictional areas based on hydrology, vegetation, and soils data collected in the field.

This report describes the results of the wetland and stream delineations conducted by EDR. It is intended to provide the information necessary to identify jurisdictional areas and support a permit application to the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), as well as other impact evaluations conducted in support of the project (e.g., State Environmental Quality Review Act).

### 1.3 RESOURCES

Materials and data supporting this investigation have been derived from a number of sources including United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic mapping (Schoharie and Gallupville NY 7.5 minute quadrangles), United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) mapping, NYSDEC Freshwater Wetlands mapping, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Web Soil Survey (Soil Survey Staff, 2019), the NRCS List of Hydric Soils of the State of New York (NRCS, 2018), and recent aerial photography.

Vascular plant names follow nomenclature found in the New York Flora Atlas (Weldy et al., 2019), and wetland indicator status for plant species was determined by reference to the National Wetland Plant List (Lichvar et al., 2019).

Jurisdictional areas were characterized according to the wetlands and deepwater habitats classification system used in NWI mapping (Cowardin, 1979).

## **1.4 QUALIFICATIONS**

Wetland and stream delineations were conducted by EDR field ecologists Brian Kirkpatrick, Ben Feinberg, and Krystal White.

Mr. Kirkpatrick is the Director of Ecological Services with more than 30 years of project management and environmental and ecological consulting experience. He received a BS in Wildlife Resources from West Virginia University, and is a Certified Wildlife Biologist through The Wildlife Society. Mr. Kirkpatrick experience includes senior-level expertise in wetland delineations, endangered species habitat assessment and surveys, and vegetation inventories.

Mr. Feinberg is an Environmental Analyst with more than 5 years of experience in the natural resources field. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Aquatics and Fisheries Science from the State University of New York (SUNY) College of Environmental Science and Forestry. Mr. Feinberg is proficient in biological, ecological, and environmental data collection in a large range of settings and conditions. Mr. Feinberg experience includes wetland and stream delineations, catch oversight for commercial fisheries, monitoring of commercial fish deliveries, and post-construction environmental monitoring at wind farms. At EDR Ben has conducted wetland and stream delineation surveys on energy and transmission line projects.

Ms. White is an Environmental Analyst with two years of experience in the natural resources field. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies from the SUNY at Potsdam and a Master's degree in Environmental Science from SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry. Ms. White's experience includes environmental and ecological policy research, wetland and stream delineations, environmental impact analysis, data management, technical report writing, and GIS data analysis.

## **2.0 REGULATORY AUTHORITIES AND PERMITS**

### **2.1 WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES**

In accordance with the Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, the USACE has regulatory jurisdiction over Waters of the United States (WOUS). As defined by the USACE, WOUS includes lakes, ponds, streams (intermittent and perennial), and wetlands. Wetlands are defined as *"those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a*

*frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions"* (EPA, 2001). Such areas are indicated by the presence of three conditions: 1) a dominance of hydrophytic vegetation, 2) the presence of hydric soils, and 3) evidence of wetland hydrology during the growing season (Environmental Laboratory, 1987).

On August 28, 2015, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) released the *Clean Water Rule* (the "2015 Rule"; 33 CFR Part 328) which provides a clearer and more consistent approach to defining the scope of the CWA and WOUS. In February 2017, an Executive Order was issued directing the USEPA and the USACE to review and rescind or revise the 2015 Rule. However, as of August 29, 2018, the 2015 Rule remains in effect for 22 states, including New York.

Three major elements of the 2015 Rule that define jurisdictional waters are summarized below:

Traditional navigable waters, interstate waters, territorial seas, and impoundments of jurisdictional waters:

- Consistent with the existing regulations.
- The agencies will assert jurisdiction over these waters.

Tributaries:

- Specifically defines tributaries as "*waters that are characterized by the presence of physical indicators of flow – bed and banks and ordinary high water mark – and that contribute flow directly or indirectly to a traditional navigable water*".
- The agencies will assert jurisdiction over these waters.

Adjacent Waters:

- Defined as "*bordering, contiguous, or neighboring, including waters separated from other "waters of the United States" by constructed dikes or barriers, natural river berms, beach dunes and the like*".
- The agencies will assert jurisdiction over these waters if any of these settings occur:
  - "*Waters located in whole or in part within 100 feet of the ordinary high water mark of a traditional navigable waters, interstate waters, territorial seas, and impoundments*";
  - "*Waters located in whole or in part in the 100-year floodplain and that are within 1,500 feet of the ordinary high-water mark of a traditional navigable water, interstate waters, territorial seas, an impoundment, or a tributary*"; and

- o *"Waters located in whole or in a part within 1,500 feet of the tide line of a traditional navigable water or the territorial seas and waters located within 1,500 feet of the ordinary high-water mark of the Great Lakes".*

A Section 404 permit from the USACE is required for activities that result in the placement of dredged or fill materials in WOUS. It is assumed that all delineated wetlands and streams within the Project Site are jurisdictional WOUS.

In addition to Section 404 of the CWA, Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbor Act (33 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) requires a permit from the USACE to construct any structure in or over any navigable water of the United States, as well as any proposed action that would alter or disturb (such as excavation/dredging or deposition of materials in) these waters. There are no navigable waters mapped within or adjacent to the Project Site.

## **2.2 NEW YORK STATE FRESHWATER WETLANDS AND PROTECTED STREAMS**

The Freshwater Wetlands Act (Article 24 and Title 23 of Article 71 of the ECL) gives the NYSDEC jurisdiction over state-protected wetlands and adjacent areas. The Freshwater Wetlands Act requires the NYSDEC to map all state-protected wetlands to allow landowners and other interested parties a means of determining where state-jurisdictional wetlands exist. To implement the policy established by this Act, regulations were promulgated by the state under 6 NYCRR Parts 663 and 664. Part 664 of the regulations designates wetlands into four class ratings, with Class I being the highest or best quality wetland, and Class IV being the lowest. In general, wetlands regulated by the state are those 12.4 acres in size or larger. Smaller wetlands can also be regulated if they are considered of unusual local importance. The 100-foot adjacent area consists of uplands adjacent to the delineated boundary of any state regulated wetland and are under NYSDEC jurisdiction. An Article 24 permit is required from the NYSDEC for any disturbance to a state-protected wetland or an adjacent area, including removing vegetation.

Under Article 15 of the ECL (Protection of Waters), the NYSDEC has regulatory jurisdiction over any activity that disturbs the bed or banks of protected streams. In addition, small lakes and ponds with a surface area of 10 acres or less, located within the course of a protected stream, are considered to be part of a stream and are subject to regulation under the stream protection category of Article 15. Protected stream means any stream, or particular portion of a stream, that has been assigned by the NYSDEC any of the following classifications or standards: AA, A, B, or C(T) or C(TS) (6 NYCRR Part 701). A classification of AA or A indicates that the best use of the stream is as a source of water supply for drinking, culinary or food processing purposes, primary and secondary contact recreation, and fishing. The best usages of Class B waters are primary and secondary contact recreation and fishing. The best usage of Class C waters is fishing. Streams designated (T) indicate that they support trout, while those designated (TS) support trout

spawning. State water quality classifications of unprotected watercourses include Class C and Class D streams. Waters with a classification of D are suitable for fishing and non-contact recreation. An Article 15 permit is required from the NYSDEC for any disturbance to a stream classified C(T) or higher.

### 3.0 PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND RESOURCES

#### 3.1 PHYSIOGRAPHY AND SOILS

The Project Site is located within the Catskill Mountains Physiographic Province of New York State. The geography in this province is characterized by mountainous terrain created by glacial and stream activity which carved deep valleys in flat-lying rocks (NYS DOT, 2013). Topography of the province is controlled by the bedrock with step valley sides and minor landforms in the valleys consisting of outwash, kames, deltas, alluvial flats, and lacustrine plains. The bedrock in the Project Site is mainly of the Wisconsin age consisting of shale, limestone, and sandstone. Elevations within the Project Site range from 300 feet above mean sea level (USGS) to approximately 320 feet (Figure 3).

A review of the Schenectady County Soil Survey, and the United State Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Web Soil Survey database indicates the occurrence of three soil series within the Project Site (Figure 3 and Table 1) (USDA, 1972; Soil Survey Staff, 2018). The three soil series include Burdett-Scriba channery silt loam (3-8% slopes), Burdett-Scriba channery silt loam (8% to 15% slopes), and Ilion silt loam (0% to 3% slopes). Of these, the Burdett-Scriba channery silt loams are the most dominant, covering 73 acres (74%) of the Project Site, followed by Ilion silt loam comprising 26 acres (26%). Table 1 lists the soil map units within the Project Site and their characteristics. Soil drainage in the Project Site is generally poor, with 26% classified as poorly drained and 74% classified as somewhat poorly drained. Designation of hydric soils is based on information obtained from the USDA Web Soil Survey (Soil Survey Staff, 2019). Although soil series may be generally classified as hydric or potentially hydric in the online databases, this is for general use and does not supersede specific conditions documented in the field.

**Table 1. Project Site Soils**

Mapping Unit	Series	Slope (%)	Drainage <sup>1</sup>	Hydric <sup>2</sup>	Potentially Hydric <sup>3</sup>
BvB	Burdett-Scriba channery silt loam	3-8	SPD	No	Yes
BvC	Burdett-Scriba channery silt loam	8-15	SPD	No	Yes
IIA	Ilion silt loam	0-3	PD	Yes	No

<sup>1</sup> Soil drainage is represented by the following abbreviations: "SPD" = somewhat poorly drained, "PD" = poorly drained

<sup>2</sup> "Yes" indicates this soil is listed as containing 66% or more hydric components within the map unit as listed on the USDA Web Soil Survey.

<sup>3</sup> "Yes" indicates this soil is listed as containing 1% to 65% hydric components within the map unit as listed on the USDA Web Soil Survey.



## **3.2 HYDROLOGY**

The entire Project Site is located in the Schoharie watershed (USGS Hydrologic Unit 02020005). Most of the surface hydrology in the Project Site is generated by precipitation and surface water run-off from adjacent land. Total annual precipitation (from 2005 to 2019) averages 41.69 inches at the nearby Delanson, New York weather station (NOAA, 2019).

Based on review of mapped wetlands and streams, aerial imagery, and site-specific field investigations, the Project Site does not contain any named waterways. The closest mapped-waterway, Walker Brook, is located one half-mile north of the Project Site. The nearest major waterway in the vicinity of the Project Site is the Schoharie Creek, located approximately 1.5 miles north. Schoharie Creek flows north for approximately 18 miles before it empties into the Mohawk River Watershed. From this point, water enters the Mohawk River and flows east until it eventually empties into the Hudson River. The Hudson River carries the water south, eventually emptying into Upper Bay and the Atlantic Ocean (NYSDEC, 2019).

## **3.3 FEDERAL AND STATE MAPPED WETLANDS AND STREAMS**

NWI mapping does not indicate any wetland features within or adjacent to the Project Site. (Figure 4). The closest mapped NWI waterbodies are a riverine feature approximately 700 feet west of the project site and a pond approximately 600 feet northwest of the Project Site. The on-site wetland delineation took place early in the growing season (early-April). Precipitation for the month of April, 2019 was high (4.32 inches) compared to the previous month of March (1.35 inches) and the monthly average for April 2000 to 2019 (3.01 inches).

Review of NYSDEC Freshwater Wetlands mapping indicates that no state-mapped wetlands exist or adjacent to in the Project Site. The closest NYSDEC-mapped wetland is Wetland G-104, located approximately 1,500 feet south of the Project Site. Based on available NYSDEC stream classification mapping, there are no NYSDEC-mapped streams within the Project Site. The closest NYSDEC-mapped stream is an unnamed Class C stream located approximately 700 feet west of the Project Site. This stream flows northeast and connects to Walker Brook.

## **4.0 ON-SITE WETLAND AND STREAM DELINEATION**

### **4.1 METHODOLOGY**

EDR personnel conducted field delineation of wetlands and streams on the Project Site on April 9, 2019. The identification of wetland boundaries was based on the methodology described in the *Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual* (Environmental Laboratory, 1987). Determination of wetland boundaries was also guided by the methodologies presented in the *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region, Version 2.0* (USACE, 2012). Attention was given to the identification of potential hydrologic connections between wetlands and areas that could influence their jurisdictional status.

Wetland boundaries were marked in the field with sequentially-numbered pink surveyor's flagging, and were subsequently mapped using an EOS Positioning Systems Arrow 100 GPS unit with reported sub-meter accuracy. At each delineated wetland, data were collected from sample plots in representative wetland cover types, and recorded on USACE Routine Wetland Determination forms (Appendix B). The data collected at each wetland included dominant vegetation, hydrology indicators, and soils characteristics.

The Regional Supplement lists the following primary indicators of wetland hydrology: (A1) surface water, (A2) high water table, (A3) saturation, (B1) water marks, (B2) sediment deposits, (B3) drift deposits, (B4) algal mat or crust, (B5) iron deposits, (B7) inundation visible on aerial imagery, (B8) sparsely vegetated concave surface, (B9) water-stained leaves, (B13) aquatic fauna, (B15) marl deposits, (C1) hydrogen sulfide odor, (C3) oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, (C4) presence of reduced iron, (C6) recent iron reduction in tilled soils, and (C7) thick muck surface. Per the Regional Supplement, the presence of any one of these "primary" indicators is sufficient evidence that wetland hydrology is present. In addition, the Regional Supplement identifies the following secondary indicators which were also used by EDR personnel to determine wetland hydrology: (B6) surface soil cracks, (B10) drainage patterns, (B16) moss trim lines, (C2) dry-season water table, (C8) crayfish burrows, (C9) saturation visible on aerial imagery, (D1) stunted or stressed plants, (D2) geomorphic position, (D3) shallow aquitard, (D4) microtopographic relief, and (D5) FAC-neutral test. In accordance with the Regional Supplement, in the absence of a primary indicator, the presence of any two of these "secondary" indicators were considered a suitable indication of wetland hydrology.

Assessment of vegetation focused on the identification of dominant plant species in four categories: trees (>3" diameter at breast height), saplings/shrubs (<3.0" diameter at breast height and >3.2' tall), herbs (<3.2' tall), and woody vines. Dominance within each stratum was measured by visually estimating those species having the largest relative basal area (trees), greatest height (saplings/shrubs), greatest number of stems (woody vines), and greatest percentage of aerial coverage (herbaceous) by species. Wetland indicator status for dominant plant species was determined by reference to the National Wetland Plant List (Lichvar et al., 2019). Wetlands are indicated by a dominance of hydrophytic plant species.

Hydric soils are those that are poorly drained and are saturated, flooded, or ponded long enough during the growing season to develop anaerobic conditions in the upper part of the soil layer. The presence of hydric soils is indicative of the presence of wetlands (Environmental Laboratory, 1987). Hydric soil conditions were determined in the field through observation of composition, odor, color, and morphology. Soil data were collected by using a soil auger and tiling spade. Soil colors were determined using Munsell Soil Charts (Munsell Color, 2009). Information concerning soil series, color, texture, and matrix and mottle color was recorded for each delineated wetland and used to determine whether the soils displayed hydric characteristics.

Streams were identified according to the Cowardin Classification System (1979), and stream boundaries were determined based on the presence of ordinary high water line characteristics, including a "*clear, natural line impressed on the bank; shelving; changes in the character of soil; destruction of terrestrial vegetation; the presence of litter and debris*" (CFR, 1986). Stream boundaries were defined and mapped in the field using the same method as described above for wetlands. Data regarding stream gradient (gentle, moderate, or steep), stream bank and channel width, water depth, stream bed substrate, in-stream cover, and flow regime (perennial, intermittent, or ephemeral) were collected and recorded on stream inventory forms (Appendix B).

Photographs were taken of each wetland and stream delineated within the Project Site. Representative photographs of the delineated areas are included in Appendix C.

## 4.2 RESULTS

EDR ecologists identified a total of four wetlands and one stream within the Project Site. Information pertaining to individual wetlands and watercourses is summarized in Table 2. Wetlands and streams were categorized as one or more of the following community types: emergent wetland (PEM), and intermittent stream (R4), in accordance with the Cowardin *et. al.* (1979) classification system. The wetlands and the stream within the Project Site are depicted in Figure 5, and described below.

**Table 2: Delineated Wetlands**

Delineation ID <sup>1</sup>	Latitude of Centroid	Longitude of Centroid	Wetland Type Acreage Within Wetland Project Site <sup>2</sup>				Total Wetland Acreage Within Wetland Project Site	Stream Type <sup>3</sup>	Linear Feet of Stream Within Project Site <sup>4</sup>	Federal Jurisdiction <sup>4</sup>	State Jurisdiction <sup>4</sup>
			PFO	PEM	PSS	POW					
A	42.7297	-74.2535	--	5.45	--	--	5.45	R4	640	Yes	No
B	42.7318	-74.2528	--	0.14	--	--	0.14	--	--	Yes	No
D	42.7275	-74.2538	--	1.98	--	--	1.98	--	--	Yes	No
E	42.7288	-74.2543	--	0.14	--	--	0.14	--	--	Yes	No

<sup>1</sup>Field ID assigned by EDR.

<sup>2</sup>Wetland community types are based upon the Cowardin et al. (1979) classification system: PSS = Palustrine Scrub-Shrub, PEM = Palustrine Emergent, POW = Palustrine Open Water, and PFO = Palustrine Forested.

<sup>3</sup>Stream types are based upon the Cowardin et al. (1979) classification system: R4 = Riverine Intermittent

<sup>4</sup>Based on visual observation of hydrologic connectivity in the field and review of available spatial data. Final jurisdictional determination to be made by the USACE.

<sup>5</sup>Based on existing NYSDEC mapping of freshwater wetlands and streams. Final determination to be made by NYSDEC.

#### **4.2.1 Wetlands**

*Emergent Wetlands* – Four of the wetlands identified within the Project Site are dominated by emergent vegetation. These wetlands are characterized by the dominance of erect rooted herbaceous wetland plants. Emergent wetlands delineated in the Project Site were dominated by herbaceous plants such as creeping jenny (*Lysimachia nummularia*), sedges (*Carex* sp.), and soft rush (*Juncus effuses*) (see representative Photos 1 through 3 in Appendix C). Evidence of wetland hydrology in the emergent wetlands identified within the Project Site included standing surface water, a high water table, saturated soils, and oxidized rhizospheres on living roots. Hydric soil conditions observed within emergent wetlands included low chroma matrix colors ranging from very dark brown to brown (10YR 2/1, 10YR 4/1, 10YR 5/1, 2.5Y 5/1) with redox concentrations (5Y 5/8, 10YR 4/6, 10YR 5/6, 7.5YR 5/8, 7.5YR 6/8) in the matrix. Hydric soil indicators in the wetland included Redox Dark Surface (F6) and Depleted Matrix (F3). The soils sampled within emergent wetlands were a silt clay loam.

Vegetation observed in the uplands adjacent to delineated emergent wetlands included Canada goldenrod (*Solidago canadensis*), gray dogwood (*Cornus racemosa*), timothy grass (*Phleum pratense*), and bentgrass (*Agrostis stolonifera*) (see representative Photos 4 and 5 in Appendix C). The uplands displayed some evidence of wetland hydrology including an elevated water table and soil saturation. The silt clay loam soils ranged from dark reddish brown to brown (2.5Y 5/1, 2.5Y 6/1, 10YR 3/2, 10YR 4/2) with mottles (2.5Y 6/4, 10R 4/6). One soil sample was indicative of hydric conditions (Depleted Below Dark Surface A11), but lacked indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology.

#### **4.2.2 Streams**

As indicated in Table 2, EDR ecologists identified 1 intermittent stream within the Project Site. The stream within the Project Site was generally located within emergent and scrub-shrub areas that had recently been disturbed (see representative Photos 6 through 8 in Appendix C). Substrate within the stream most commonly consisted of cobbles and silt, and its banks were well defined. Observed water depths were between 0 and 10 inches.

### **5.0 CONCLUSIONS**

EDR ecologists identified four emergent wetlands, totaling 7.71 acres, within the Project Site. Wetlands were identified based on the presence of hydrophytic vegetation, wetland hydrology, and hydric soils. EDR ecologists also identified one intermittent stream, totaling 640 linear feet, within the Project Site. All of the wetlands and stream on site appear to have surface water connections to other WOUS, and are therefore are expected to be considered jurisdictional by the USACE under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The wetlands are not expected to fall under state jurisdiction

pursuant to Article 24 of the ECL because they do not occur within, or have hydrologic connection to, wetlands included on the NYSDEC Freshwater Wetlands Maps. However, final determination of jurisdictional status of all waters delineated within the Project Site must be made by the USACE and NYSDEC.

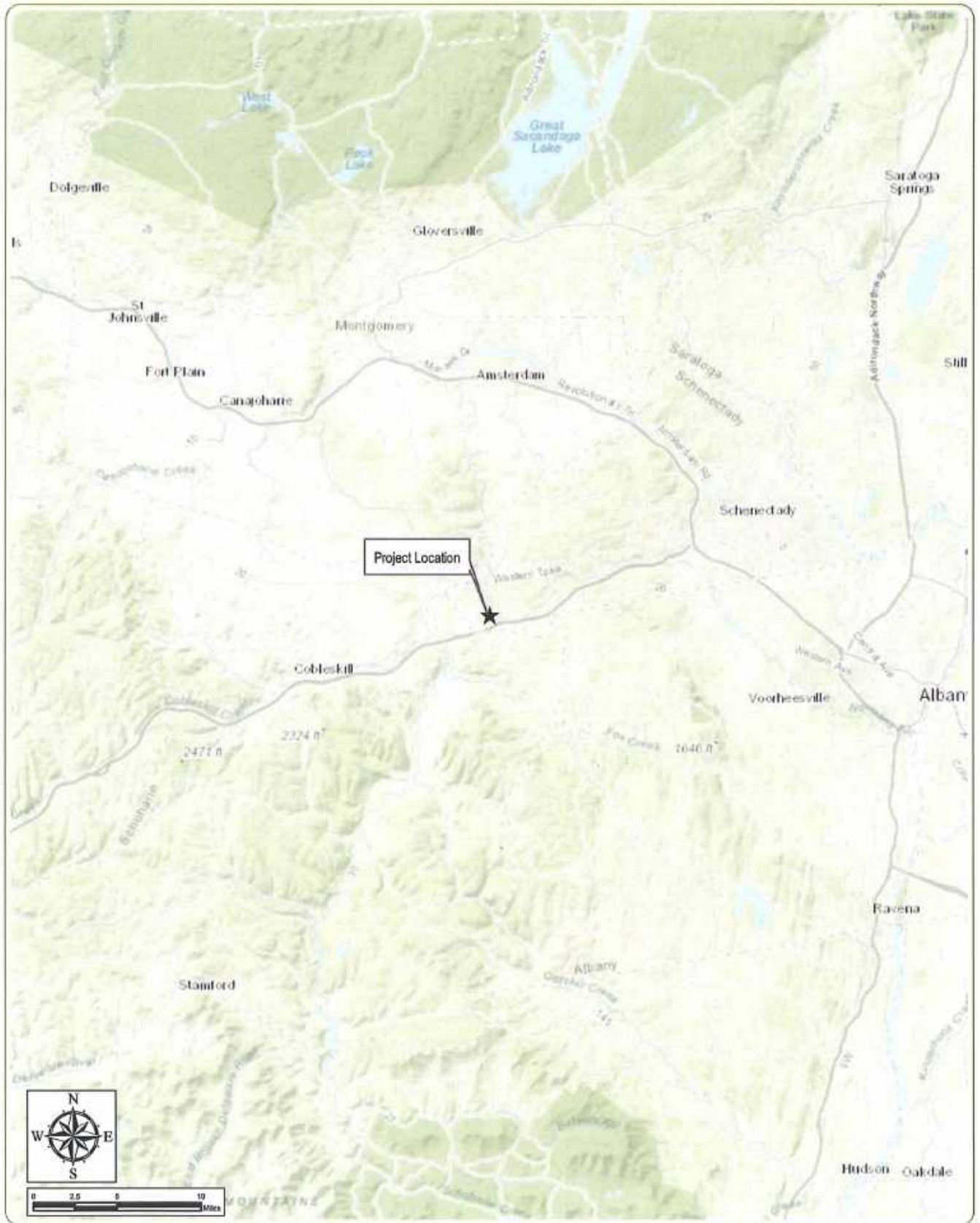
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**APPENDIX A**

Figures





**Oak Hill Solar**

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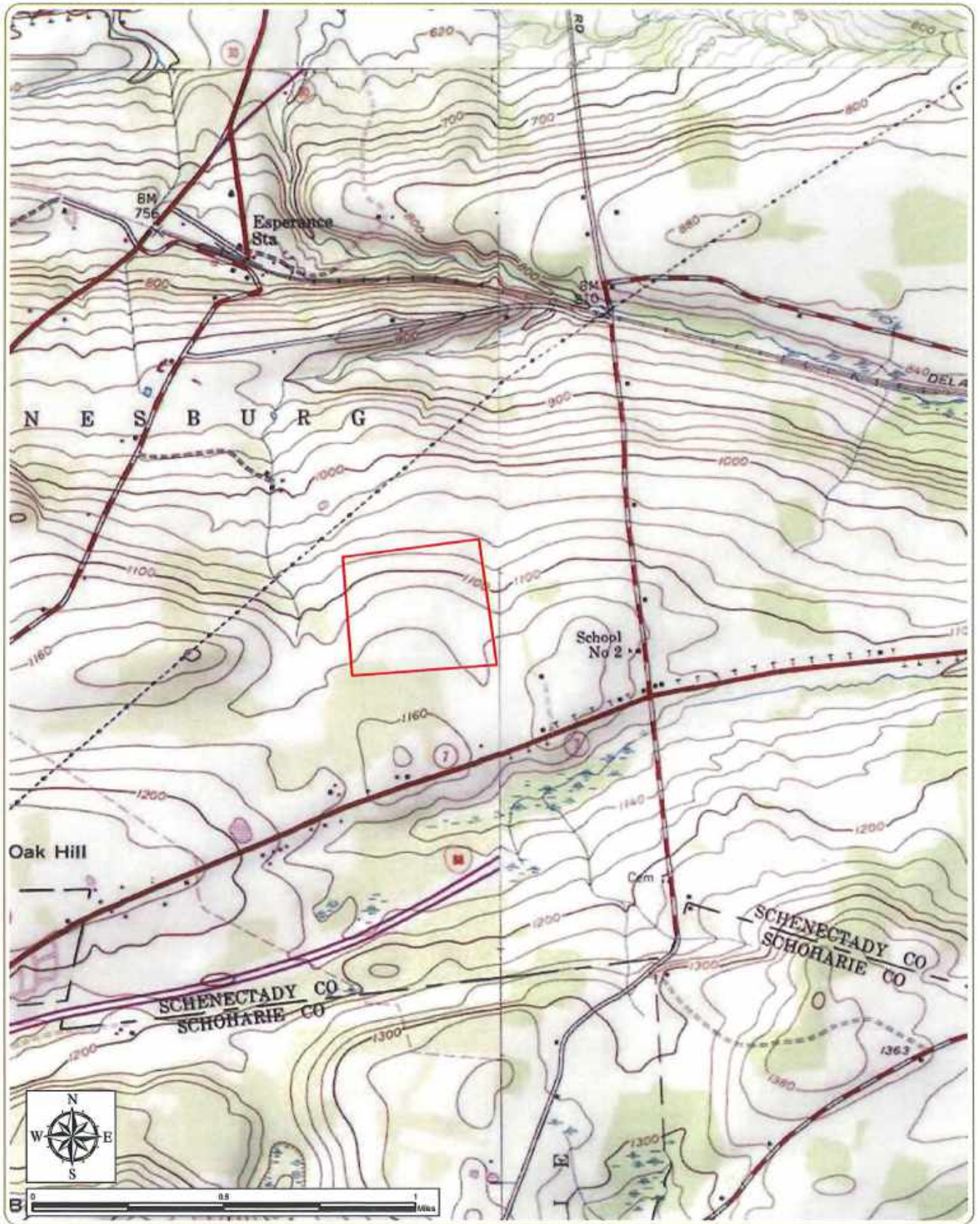
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**Figure 1: Regional Project Location**

Notes: 1. Basemap: ESRI ArcGIS Online "World Topographic Map" map service. 2. This map was generated in ArcMap on July 19, 2019. 3. This is a color graphic. Reproduction in grayscale may misrepresent the data.

Coordinates for Center of Project Site  
 Latitude: 42.729401  
 Longitude: -74.252744





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Figure 2: Topographic Mapping

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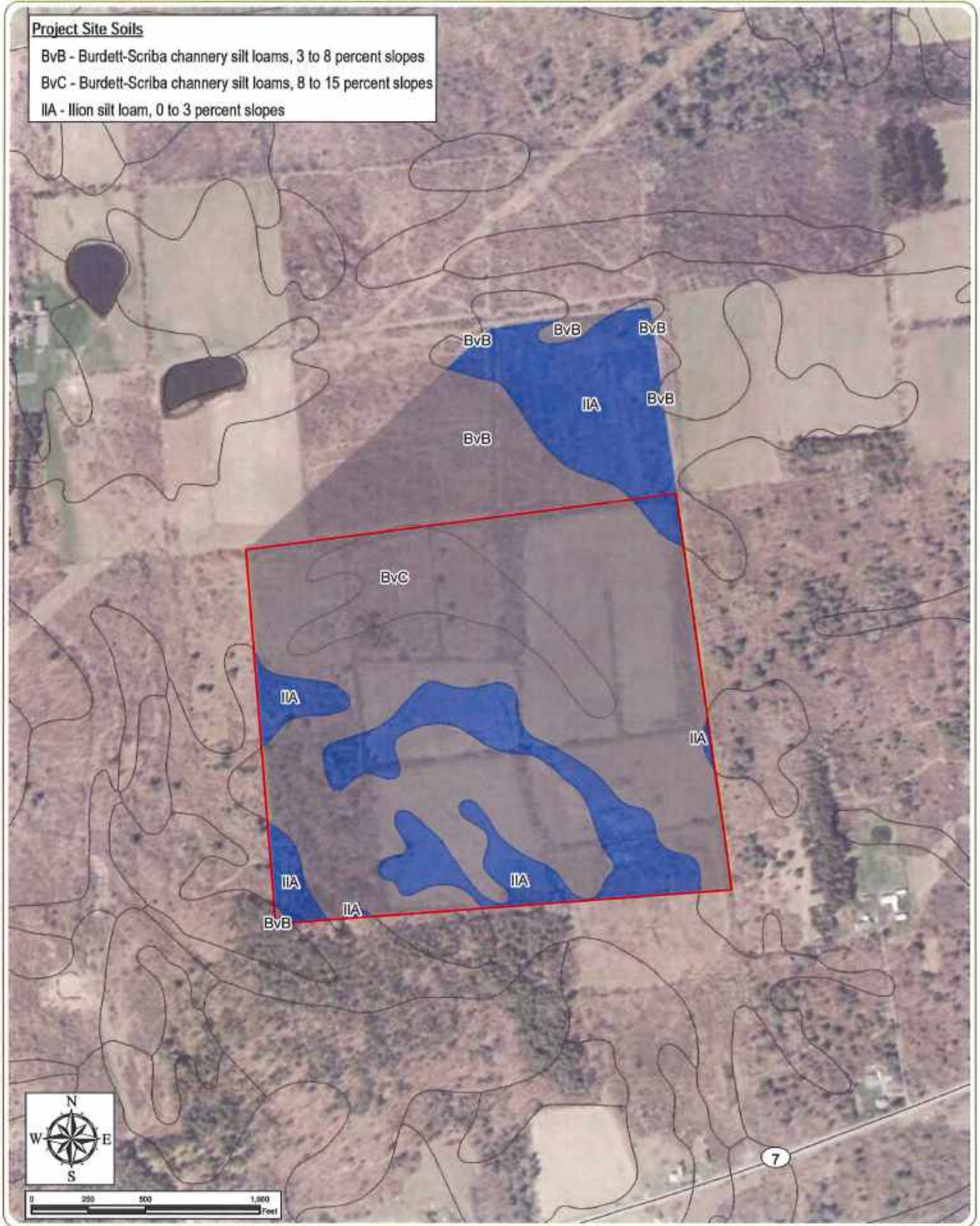
### Legend

Project Site



**Project Site Soils**

- BvB - Burdett-Scriba channery silt loams, 3 to 8 percent slopes
- BvC - Burdett-Scriba channery silt loams, 8 to 15 percent slopes
- IIA - Iliion silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes



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**Figure 3: Project Site Soils**

Notes: 1. Basemap: NYS DOP "2017" orthoimagery map service. 2. This map was generated in ArcMap on July 19, 2019. 3. This is a color graphic. Reproduction in grayscale may misrepresent the data.

**Legend**

- Hydric Soil
- Not Hydric Soil
- Project Site





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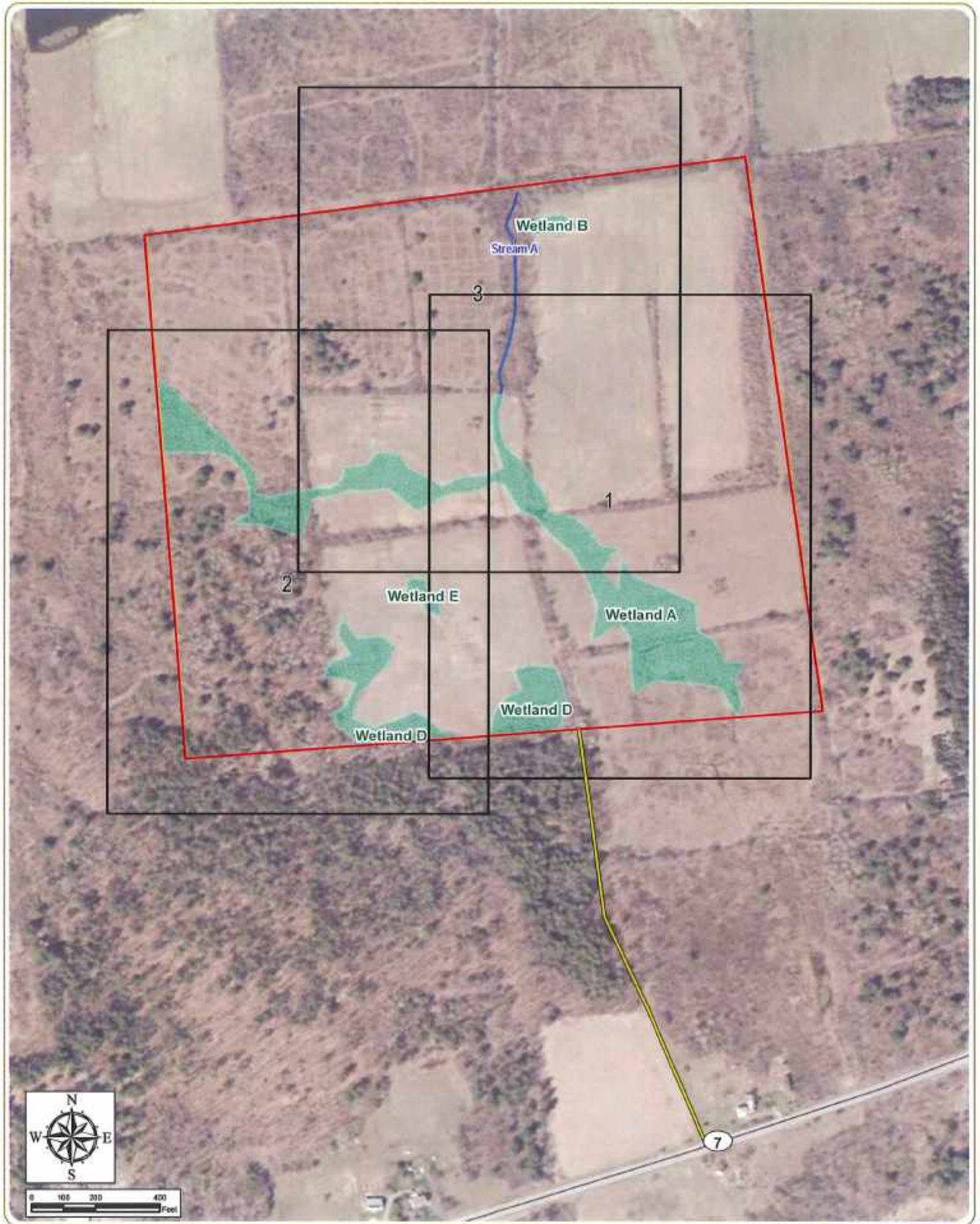
#### Figure 4: Mapped Wetlands and Streams

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#### Legend

-  NYSDEC Class C or D Stream
-  NWI Mapped Pond/Riverine
-  Project Site





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**Figure 5: Delineated Wetlands and Streams - Index**

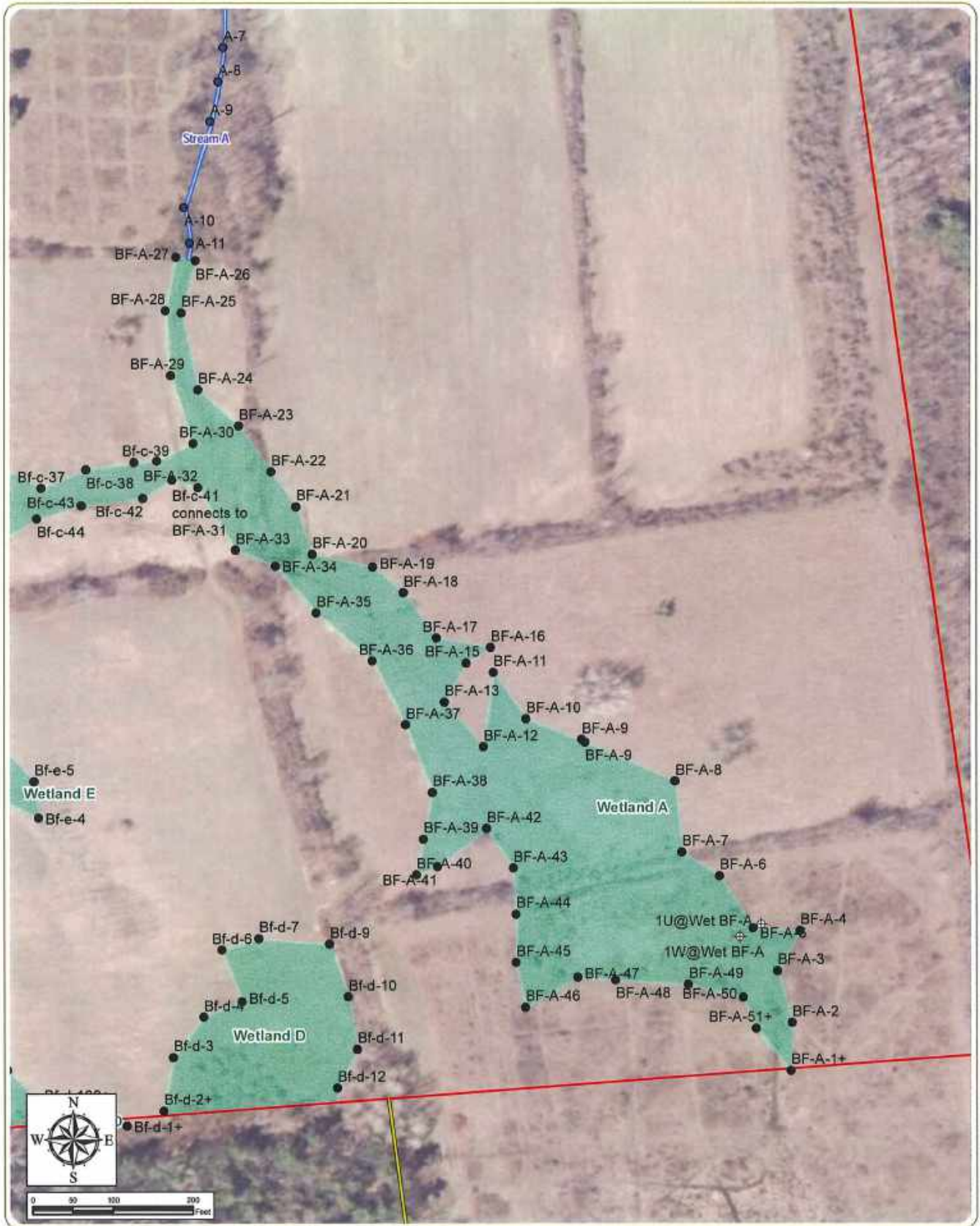
Notes: 1. Basemap: NYS DOP "2017" orthoimagery map service. 2. This map was generated in ArcMap on July 19, 2019. 3. This is a color graphic. Reproduction in grayscale may misrepresent the data. 4. Approximate location of existing farm road assumed to be

**Legend**

-  Farm Road
-  Project Site
-  Delineated Stream
-  Delineated Wetland



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#### Figure 5: Delineated Wetlands and Streams - Sheet 1 of 3

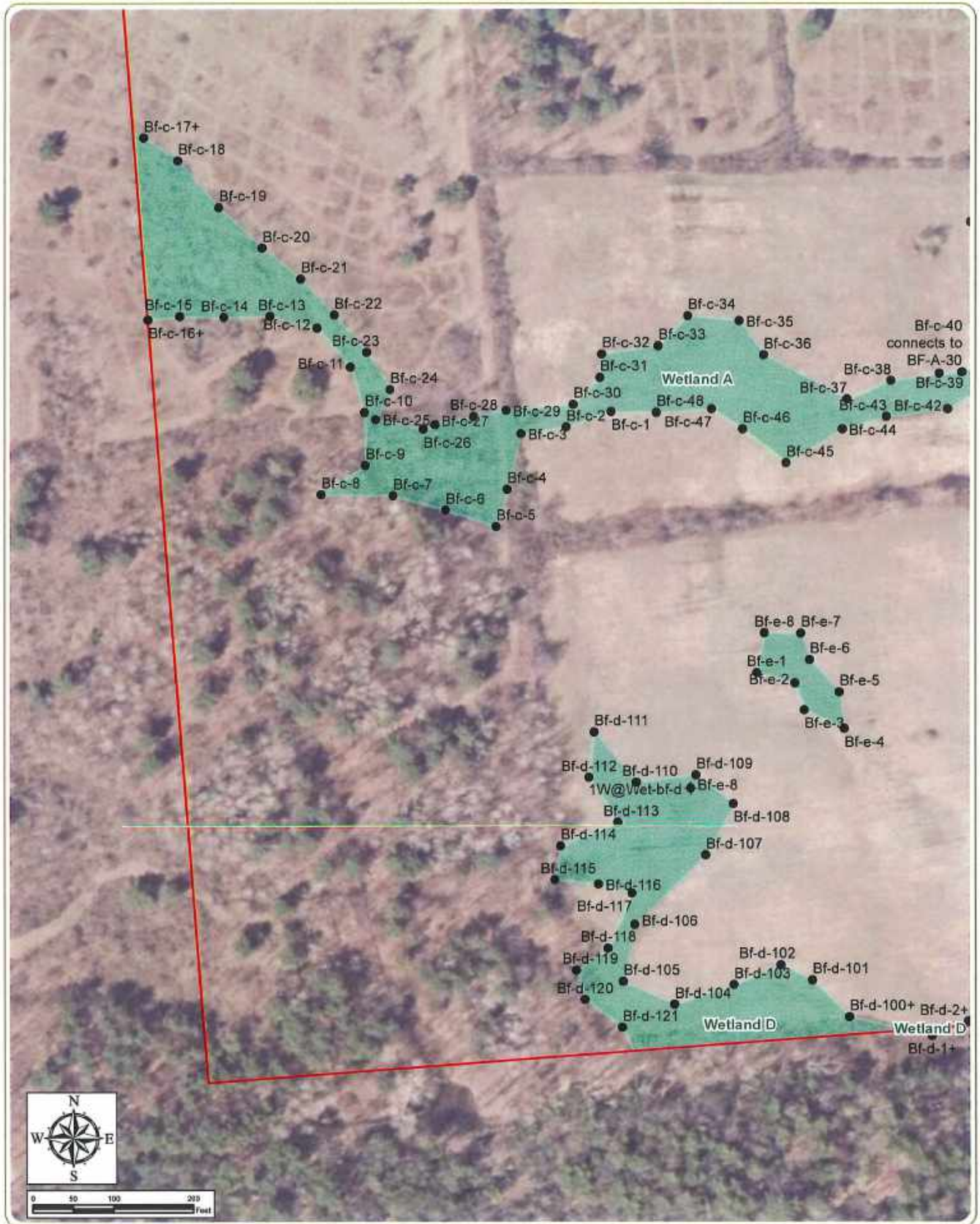
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- Stream Flag
- Wetland Flag
- ⊕ Wetland Datapoint
- Farm Road
- Delineated Waterway
- Delineated Wetland
- Project Site



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**Figure 5: Delineated Wetlands and Streams - Sheet 2 of 3**

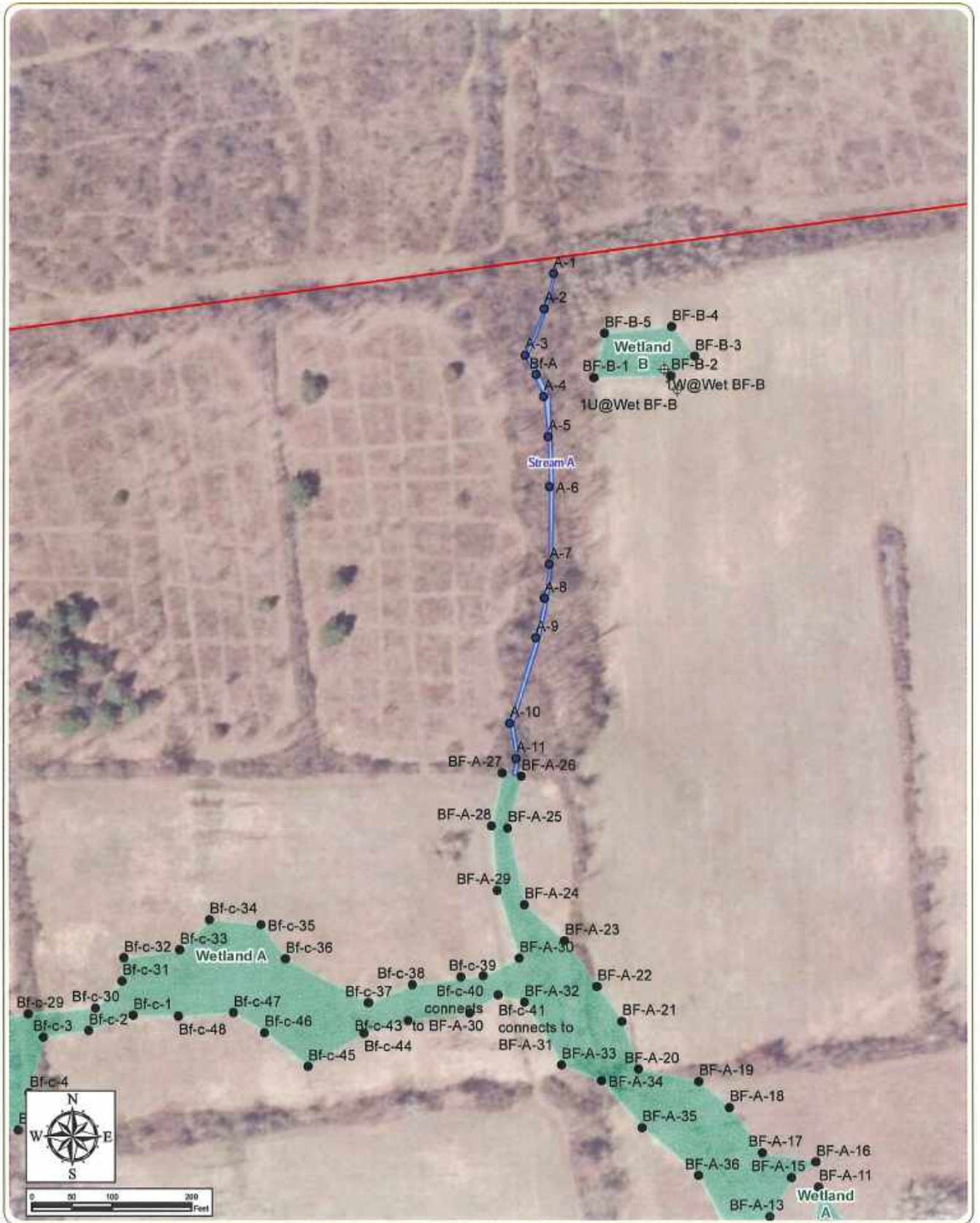
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- Stream Flag
- Wetland Flag
- ⊕ Wetland Datapoint
- Farm Road
- ▭ Delineated Waterway
- ▭ Delineated Wetland
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#### Figure 5: Delineated Wetlands and Streams - Sheet 3 of 3

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- Stream Flag
- Wetland Flag
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- Farm Road
- ▭ Delineated Waterway
- ▭ Delineated Wetland
- ▭ Project Site





**APPENDIX B**

Routine Wetland Determination Data Sheets

**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region**

Project/Site: Oak Hill Solar City/County: Schenectady County Sampling Date: 04/23/2019  
 Applicant/Owner: Eden Renewables State: NY Sampling Point: 1UGW11 BF-A  
 Investigator(s): Krystal White, Ben Feinberg Section, Township, Range: Town of Duanesburg  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Flat Local relief (concave, convex, none): none Slope %: 0-5  
 Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R, MLRA 144A Lat: 42.7282 Long: -74.2508 Datum: WGS84  
 Soil Map Unit Name: Illion silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes NWI classification: UPL

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No      (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No       
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u> Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u> Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u> If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: <u>    </u>
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)   	

**HYDROLOGY**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)</u> ___ Surface Water (A1)      ___ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <u>X</u> High Water Table (A2)      ___ Aquatic Fauna (B13) ___ Saturation (A3)      ___ Marl Deposits (B15) ___ Water Marks (B1)      ___ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) ___ Sediment Deposits (B2)      ___ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) ___ Drift Deposits (B3)      ___ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) ___ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)      ___ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) ___ Iron Deposits (B5)      ___ Thin Muck Surface (C7) ___ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)      ___ Other (Explain in Remarks) ___ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)</u> ___ Surface Soil Cracks (B6) ___ Drainage Patterns (B10) ___ Moss Trim Lines (B16) ___ Dry-Season Water Table (C2) ___ Crayfish Burrows (C8) ___ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) ___ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) ___ Geomorphic Position (D2) ___ Shallow Aquitard (D3) ___ Microtopographic Relief (D4) ___ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>x</u> Depth (inches): <u>    </u> Water Table Present? Yes <u>x</u> No <u>    </u> Depth (inches): <u>1</u> Saturation Present? Yes <u>x</u> No <u>    </u> Depth (inches): <u>4</u> (includes capillary fringe)	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:  	
Remarks:	





**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Sampling Point: 1w@Wet BF-A

	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status																	
<b>Tree Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )				<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b>  Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)  Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>50.0%</u> (A/B)																
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<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>15-foot radius</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>  <table style="width:100%; border:none;"> <tr> <td style="text-align:right;">Total % Cover of:</td> <td style="text-align:center;">Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>5</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>5</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>30</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>60</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>2</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>6</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>37</u> (A)</td> <td><u>71</u> (B)</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align:center;">Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.92</u></td> </tr> </table>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>5</u>	x 1 = <u>5</u>	FACW species <u>30</u>	x 2 = <u>60</u>	FAC species <u>2</u>	x 3 = <u>6</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>37</u> (A)	<u>71</u> (B)	Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.92</u>	
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<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5-foot radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)  <input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.																
1.	<u><i>Lysimachia nummularia</i></u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Yes</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
2.	<u><i>Carex sp.</i></u>	<u>10</u>	<u>Yes</u>																	
3.	<u><i>Equisetum arvense</i></u>	<u>2</u>	<u>No</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
4.	<u><i>Juncus effusus</i></u>	<u>5</u>	<u>No</u>		<u>OBL</u>															
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<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )				<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  <b>Tree</b> – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.  <b>Sapling/shrub</b> – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.  <b>Herb</b> – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  <b>Woody vines</b> – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.																
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_____ =Total Cover																				
<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <u>X</u> No _____																				
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)																				



**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Sampling Point: 1U@Wet BF-B

<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
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6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
				=Total Cover
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>15-foot radius</u> )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
				=Total Cover
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5-foot radius</u> )				
1. <u>Phleum pratense</u>	80	Yes	FACU	
2. <u>Agrostis stolonifera</u>	15	No	FACW	
3. <u>Fragaria vesca</u>	1	No	UPL	
4. <u>Galium aparine</u>	1	No	FACU	
5. <u>Trifolium pratense</u>	1	No	FACU	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
12. _____	_____	_____	_____	
				98 =Total Cover
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
				=Total Cover

**Dominance Test worksheet:**

Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.0% (A/B)

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**Prevalence Index worksheet:**

Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>
FACW species <u>15</u>	x 2 = <u>30</u>
FAC species <u>0</u>	x 3 = <u>0</u>
FACU species <u>82</u>	x 4 = <u>328</u>
UPL species <u>1</u>	x 5 = <u>5</u>
Column Totals: <u>98</u> (A)	<u>363</u> (B)
Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.70</u>	

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**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**

   1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

   2 - Dominance Test is >50%

   3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0<sup>1</sup>

   4 - Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

   Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain)

<sup>1</sup>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

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**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?**      Yes         No   X

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)





**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Sampling Point: 1w@Wet BF-B

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status																	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b>  Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)  Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>66.7%</u> (A/B)																
2. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
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<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15-foot radius</u> )</b>																				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
=Total Cover																				
<b>Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5-foot radius</u> )</b>																				
1. <u>Juncus effusus</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>OBL</u>																	
2. <u>Carex sp.</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Yes</u>	_____																	
3. <u>Agrostis stolonifera</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>FACW</u>																	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
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11. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
12. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
<u>60</u> =Total Cover																				
<b>Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )</b>																				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____																	
=Total Cover																				
<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)																				
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<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>																				
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)																				



**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Sampling Point: 1U@Wet BF-D

<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status		
1. _____	_____	_____	_____		
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
3. _____	_____	_____	_____		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
5. _____	_____	_____	_____		
6. _____	_____	_____	_____		
7. _____	_____	_____	_____		
_____ =Total Cover					
<u>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>15-foot radius</u> )					
1. _____	_____	_____	_____		
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
3. _____	_____	_____	_____		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
5. _____	_____	_____	_____		
6. _____	_____	_____	_____		
7. _____	_____	_____	_____		
_____ =Total Cover					
<u>Herb Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>5-foot radius</u> )					
1. <u>Phleum pratense</u>	80	Yes	FACU		
2. <u>Trifolium pratense</u>	5	No	FACU		
3. <u>Fragaria vesca</u>	5	No	UPL		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
5. _____	_____	_____	_____		
6. _____	_____	_____	_____		
7. _____	_____	_____	_____		
8. _____	_____	_____	_____		
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10. _____	_____	_____	_____		
11. _____	_____	_____	_____		
12. _____	_____	_____	_____		
90 =Total Cover					
<u>Woody Vine Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30-foot radius</u> )					
1. _____	_____	_____	_____		
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
3. _____	_____	_____	_____		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
_____ =Total Cover					

**Dominance Test worksheet:**

Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.0% (A/B)

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**Prevalence Index worksheet:**

Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>
FACW species <u>0</u>	x 2 = <u>0</u>
FAC species <u>0</u>	x 3 = <u>0</u>
FACU species <u>85</u>	x 4 = <u>340</u>
UPL species <u>5</u>	x 5 = <u>25</u>
Column Totals: <u>90</u> (A)	<u>365</u> (B)
Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.06</u>	

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**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**

   1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

   2 - Dominance Test is >50%

   3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0<sup>1</sup>

   4 - Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

   Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain)

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**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?**      Yes         No   X

Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region**

Project/Site: Oak Hill Solar City/County: Schenectady County Sampling Date: 04/23/2019  
 Applicant/Owner: Eden Renewables State: NY Sampling Point: rwgWet-0  
 Investigator(s): Krystal White, Ben Feinberg Section, Township, Range: Town of Duaneburg  
 Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Flat Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope %: 0-5  
 Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R, MLRA 144A Lat: 42.7284 Long: -74.2549 Datum: WGS84  
 Soil Map Unit Name: Illion silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes X No      (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No       
 Are Vegetation     , Soil     , or Hydrology      naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>    </u> Hydric Soil Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u> Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u> If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: <u>    </u>
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)   	

**HYDROLOGY**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry-Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
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<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u> Depth (inches): <u>1</u> Water Table Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u> Depth (inches): <u>    </u> Saturation Present? Yes <u>    </u> No <u>X</u> Depth (inches): <u>    </u> (Includes capillary fringe)	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <u>X</u> No <u>    </u>
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Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks:



**APPENDIX C**

Photos of Representative Wetland Communities



Photo 1

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.73182

Longitude: -74.25274

Representative Emergent Wetland



Photo 2

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.72843

Longitude: -74.25487

Representative Emergent Wetland

**Oak Hill Solar**

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Photo 3

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.73189

Longitude: -74.25311

Representative Emergent Wetland



Photo 4

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.72845

Longitude: -74.25484

Representative upland mowed area

**Oak Hill Solar**

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Photo 5

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.73137

Longitude: -74.25334

Representative upland shrub area



Photo 6

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.73046

Longitude: -74.25352

Agricultural ditch forming near emergent wetlands

**Oak Hill Solar**

Town of Duaneburg, Schenectady County, New York

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Photo 7

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.73168

Longitude: -74.2533

Agricultural ditch forming near emergent wetland BF-A in the middle of the Project Site.



Photo 8

Date: 4/24/2019

Latitude: 42.73188

Longitude: -74.25341

Representative photo of agricultural ditch flowing north out of the Project Site.

### Oak Hill Solar

Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York

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Attachment B  
Joint Application Form



JOINT APPLICATION FORM

For Permits for activities affecting streams, waterways, waterbodies, wetlands, coastal areas, sources of water, and endangered and threatened species.

You must separately apply for and obtain Permits from each involved agency before starting work. Please read all instructions.

1. Applications To:
>NYS Department of Environmental Conservation [checked] Check here to confirm you sent this form to NYSDEC.
Check all permits that apply: [ ] Stream Disturbance [ ] Dams and Impoundment Structures [ ] Tidal Wetlands [ ] Water Withdrawal [ ] Excavation and Fill in Navigable Waters [x] 401 Water Quality Certification [ ] Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers [ ] Long Island Well [ ] Docks, Moorings or Platforms [ ] Freshwater Wetlands [ ] Coastal Erosion Management [ ] Incidental Take of Endangered / Threatened Species
>US Army Corps of Engineers [checked] Check here to confirm you sent this form to USACE.
Check all permits that apply: [checked] Section 404 Clean Water Act [ ] Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act
Is the project Federally funded? [ ] Yes [checked] No
If yes, name of Federal Agency: [ ]
General Permit Type(s), if known: [ Nationwide Permits 12, 14 and/or 51 ]
Preconstruction Notification: [checked] Yes [ ] No
>NYS Office of General Services [ ] Check here to confirm you sent this form to NYSOGS.
Check all permits that apply: [ ] State Owned Lands Under Water [ ] Utility Easement (pipelines, conduits, cables, etc.) [ ] Docks, Moorings or Platforms
>NYS Department of State [ ] Check here to confirm you sent this form to NYSDOS.
Check if this applies: [ ] Coastal Consistency Concurrence

2. Name of Applicant: Oak Hill Solar 1 LLC, Oak Hill Solar 2 LLC
Taxpayer ID (if applicant is NOT an individual): 82-4792162, 82-4803072
Mailing Address: 333 Broadway, Suite 460
Post Office / City: Troy State: NY Zip: 12180
Telephone: 518-326-0259 Email: Giovanni.maruca@edenrenewables.com
Applicant Must be (check all that apply): [ ] Owner [ ] Operator [checked] Lessee

3. Name of Property Owner (if different than Applicant)
Mailing Address:
Post Office / City: State: Zip:
Telephone: Email:

For Agency Use Only Agency Application Number:

<b>4. Name of Contact / Agent</b>			
Brian Kirkpatrick			
<b>Mailing Address</b>		<b>Post Office / City</b>	<b>State Zip</b>
EDR 217 Montgomery Street, Suite 1000		Syracuse	NY 13202
<b>Telephone</b>	315-471-0688 ext 606	<b>Email</b>	Bkirkpatrick@edrdpc.com

<b>5. Project / Facility Name</b>		<b>Property Tax Map Section / Block / Lot Number:</b>	
Oak Hill Solar 1 and 2		74.00-2-5	
<b>Project Street Address, if applicable</b>		<b>Post Office / City</b>	<b>State Zip</b>
13590-13592 Duaneburg Road		Delanson	NY 12053
Provide directions and distances to roads, intersections, bridges and bodies of water			
East side of Route 7/ Duaneburg Road			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town	<input type="checkbox"/> Village	<input type="checkbox"/> City	<b>County</b>
Duaneburg		Schenectady	
		<b>Stream/Waterbody Name</b>	
		Unnamed Tributary Normans Kill	
<b>Project Location Coordinates: Enter Latitude and Longitude in degrees, minutes, seconds:</b>			
<b>Latitude:</b>	42	43	45.84 N
<b>Longitude:</b>	74	15	9.88W

**6. Project Description:** Provide the following information about your project. Continue each response and provide any additional information on other pages. **Attach plans on separate pages.**

a. Purpose of the proposed project:

The applicant proposes to construct two (2) 5.0 MW photo-voltaic solar arrays. The project purpose is to create 10.0 MW of renewable energy on the site.

b. Description of current site conditions:

The project site consists of a mixture of woodlands, early succession shrublands and actively managed hayfield. The portion of the site where development is proposed is largely developed consisting of hayfields

c. Proposed site changes:

Construction of access roads, trenching for utility lines, installation of photovoltaic arrays and fencing. Existing soils and vegetation will remain under the arrays

d. Type of structures and fill materials to be installed, and quantity of materials to be used (e.g., square feet of coverage, cubic yards of fill material, structures below ordinary/mean high water, etc.):

Structures in wetlands include at grade roads requiring less than 75 yards of fill below existing grade. Less than 25 cubic yards of bedding material is expected in wetlands for utility lines. Fill will consist of clean stone and other clean aggregates. No fill above existing grades in anticipated

e. Area of excavation or dredging, volume of material to be removed, location of dredged material placement:

Less than 100 cubic yards of material is anticipated to be excavated for access roads and utilities. Material not used for back fill will be placed in uplands or removed from the site.

f. Is tree cutting or clearing proposed?  Yes If Yes, explain below.  No

Timing of the proposed cutting or clearing (month/year):

Number of trees to be cut: Acreage of trees to be cleared:

g. Work methods and type of equipment to be used:

Light equipment such as pickup truck, vibratory cable laying equipment, excavators, small bulldozers, skid steers and small dump trucks will be used to construct the access road, racking system for the solar panels and install underground utilities

h. Describe the planned sequence of activities:

1) Install soil erosion and sediment control measures; 2) clear and grub road bed; 3) backfill road bed; 4) excavate trenches; 5) place bedding in trenches where required; 6) back fill trenches; 7) drive posts and install racking systems and panels; 8) revegetate disturbed area. Construction is expected to take approximately 12 months

i. Pollution control methods and other actions proposed to mitigate environmental impacts:

Sediment control measures will be installed to mitigate impacts associated with soil disturbance. Motor vehicles will meet current emissions standards. Renewable energy facility will eliminate greenhouse gas emissions for 10 MW electric generation

j. Erosion and silt control methods that will be used to prevent water quality impacts:

See attached site plans

k. Alternatives considered to avoid regulated areas. If no feasible alternatives exist, explain how the project will minimize impacts:

To achieve project avoidance of all wetlands impacts is not practicable. However, the project has been designed to minimize wetlands impacts to the extent practicable. Project implementation requires the permanent loss or temporary disturbance of less than 0.1 acre of wetlands for the construction of a limited use pervious access road. Installation of underground collection cables and underground closed caption television (CCTV) cables. All other construction activities have been designed to avoid discharge of fill in wetlands.

l. Proposed use:  Private  Public  Commercial

m. Proposed Start Date: 9/2019 Estimated Completion Date: 10/2020

n. Has work begun on project?  Yes If Yes, explain below.  No

o. Will project occupy Federal, State, or Municipal Land?  Yes If Yes, explain below.  No

p. List any previous DEC, USACE, OGS or DOS Permit / Application numbers for activities at this location:

None

q. Will this project require additional Federal, State, or Local authorizations, including zoning changes?

Yes If Yes, list below.  No

Special Use Permit, NYSDOT - curb cut, OPRHP, NYSERDA, County Planning Board 239-M referral

**7. Signatures.**

Applicant and Owner (If different) must sign the application.

Append additional pages of this Signature section if there are multiple Applicants, Owners or Contact/Agents.

I hereby affirm that information provided on this form and all attachments submitted herewith is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Permission to Inspect - I hereby consent to Agency inspection of the project site and adjacent property areas. Agency staff may enter the property without notice between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm, Monday - Friday. Inspection may occur without the owner, applicant or agent present. If the property is posted with "keep out" signs or fenced with an unlocked gate, Agency staff may still enter the property. Agency staff may take measurements, analyze site physical characteristics, take soil and vegetation samples, sketch and photograph the site. I understand that failure to give this consent may result in denial of the permit(s) sought by this application.

False statements made herein are punishable as a Class A misdemeanor pursuant to Section 210.45 of the NYS Penal Law. Further, the applicant accepts full responsibility for all damage, direct or indirect, of whatever nature, and by whomever suffered, arising out of the project described herein and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the State from suits, actions, damages and costs of every name and description resulting from said project. In addition, Federal Law, 18 U.S.C., Section 1001 provides for a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or both where an applicant knowingly and willingly falsifies, conceals, or covers up a material fact; or knowingly makes or uses a false, fictitious or fraudulent statement.

**Signature of Applicant**

Date



8/16/2019

Applicant Must be (check all that apply):  Owner  Operator  Lessee

Printed Name

Title

Giovanni Maruca

Chief Development Officer

**Signature of Owner (if different than Applicant)**

Date

Printed Name

Title

**Signature of Contact / Agent**

Date



08/20/2019

Printed Name

Title

Brian Kirkpatrick

Director, Ecological Services

**For Agency Use Only**

**DETERMINATION OF NO PERMIT REQUIRED**

Agency Application Number

(Agency Name) has determined that No Permit is required from this Agency for the project described in this application.

Agency Representative:

Printed Name

Title

Signature

Date

Attachment C  
Project Drawings









THE OWNERS  
AREA = 3.046±



PROPOSED SITE PLAN FOR  
**OAK HILL SOLAR 1&2**  
APPLICANT: OAK HILL SOLAR 1, LLC/ OAK HILL SOLAR 2, LLC

15500 QUAKERBURY ROAD  
TOWN OF DANBURG, CT  
SHEMECTADY COUNTY, NEW YORK

TAX MAP NO. 74.002-6  
FEBRUARY 8, 2019

S06°20'20"E

2,267.41'

1,012.75'

100-FT PROPERTY LINE SETBACK

STONEWALL

WOODS

MATCHLINE SHEET 1  
MATCHLINE SHEET 2

STONEWALL

LEGEND:

- EXISTING EXISTING BASE
- EXISTING ONE ROW SOLAR ARRAY & AREA
- EXISTING UTILITY LINE WITH PREVIOUS GRAVEL ACCESS
- EXISTING ONE TRENCH
- EXISTING SOLAR PANEL TRENCH
- EXISTING AC TRENCH
- EXISTING POWER POLE VOLTAGE TRENCH
- EXISTING FIRE HYDRANT TEMPORARY TRENCH
- CENTER LINE POLE
- EXISTING AC STRUCTURE
- EXISTING DITCH
- EXISTING SOLAR SHADING SIGN
- EXISTING WETLAND AREA

SCALE: 1"=50'

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SITE PLAN OAK HILL 2

SHEET: 4 of 10

GRAPHIC SCALE



TRUE NORTH AT THE 1420' NODAL OF WEST LONGITUDE

MATCHLINE SHEET 4

687.62'

MATCHLINE SHEET 3

N00°00'00"E

1,106.53'

40 FT PROPERTY LINE SETBACK

ACCESS ROAD & LV TRENCH WETLAND CROSSING ±698 SF. KEY-IN ACCESS ROAD IN EXISTING GRADE, TYP. (SEE DETAIL)

ACCESS ROAD & LV TRENCH WETLAND CROSSING ±337 SF. KEY-IN ACCESS ROAD IN EXISTING GRADE, TYP. (SEE DETAIL)

4" HIGH WOOD & WIRE WITH FENCE SURROUNDING SOLAR PANELS TYP. (SEE DETAIL) WORK TO BE MECHANICALLY GRADED TO WETLAND LOCATIONS

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42" WIDE MEDIAN VOLANTE TRENCH (SEE DETAIL)

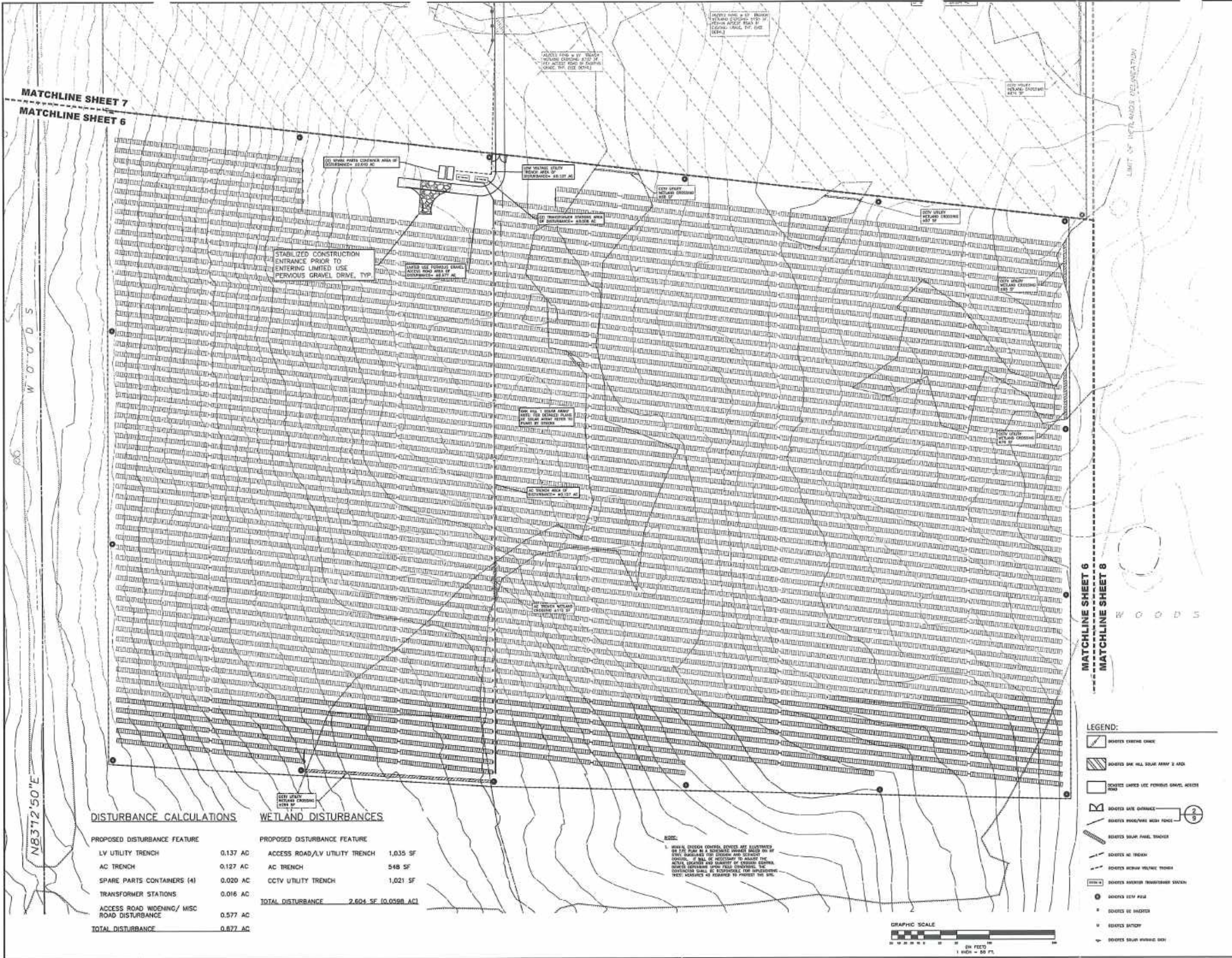
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CHECKED BY:	EDP
DATE:	1/21/19

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DISTURBANCE CALCULATIONS		WETLAND DISTURBANCES	
PROPOSED DISTURBANCE FEATURE		PROPOSED DISTURBANCE FEATURE	
LV UTILITY TRENCH	0.137 AC	ACCESS ROAD/LV UTILITY TRENCH	1,035 SF
AC TRENCH	0.127 AC	AC TRENCH	548 SF
SPARE PARTS CONTAINERS (4)	0.020 AC	CCTV UTILITY TRENCH	1,021 SF
TRANSFORMER STATIONS	0.016 AC	<b>TOTAL DISTURBANCE</b>	<b>2,604 SF (0.0598 AC)</b>
ACCESS ROAD WIDENING/ MISC ROAD DISTURBANCE	0.577 AC		
<b>TOTAL DISTURBANCE</b>	<b>0.877 AC</b>		

**NOTE:**  
 1. WETLAND DISTURBANCE VALUES ARE ESTIMATED BY THE PLAN IN A DISCRETE MANNER ONLY BY THE DESIGNER. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO VERIFY THE ACTUAL LOCATION AND EXTENT OF WETLANDS. WETLAND DISTURBANCE VALUES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN ARE BASED ON THE DISTURBANCE CALCULATIONS AND ESTIMATES FOR DISTURBANCE PROVIDED AS SHOWN ON THIS PLAN.



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  - DISTRICT OAK HILL SOLAR 1&2
  - DISTRICT LINES USE PERVIOUS GRAVEL ACCESS ROAD
  - DISTRICT SITE DISTANCE
  - DISTRICT FENCE/WIRE MESH FENCE
  - DISTRICT SOLAR PANEL TRACKER
  - DISTRICT AC TRENCH
  - DISTRICT ABOVE VOLTAGE TRENCH
  - DISTRICT ANTIWIND IMPACTOR BAR SCREEN
  - DISTRICT CITY WELL
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  - DISTRICT BATTERY
  - DISTRICT SOLAR PUBLIC BOX

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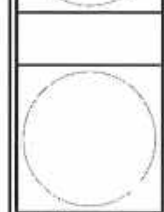
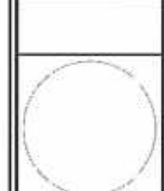
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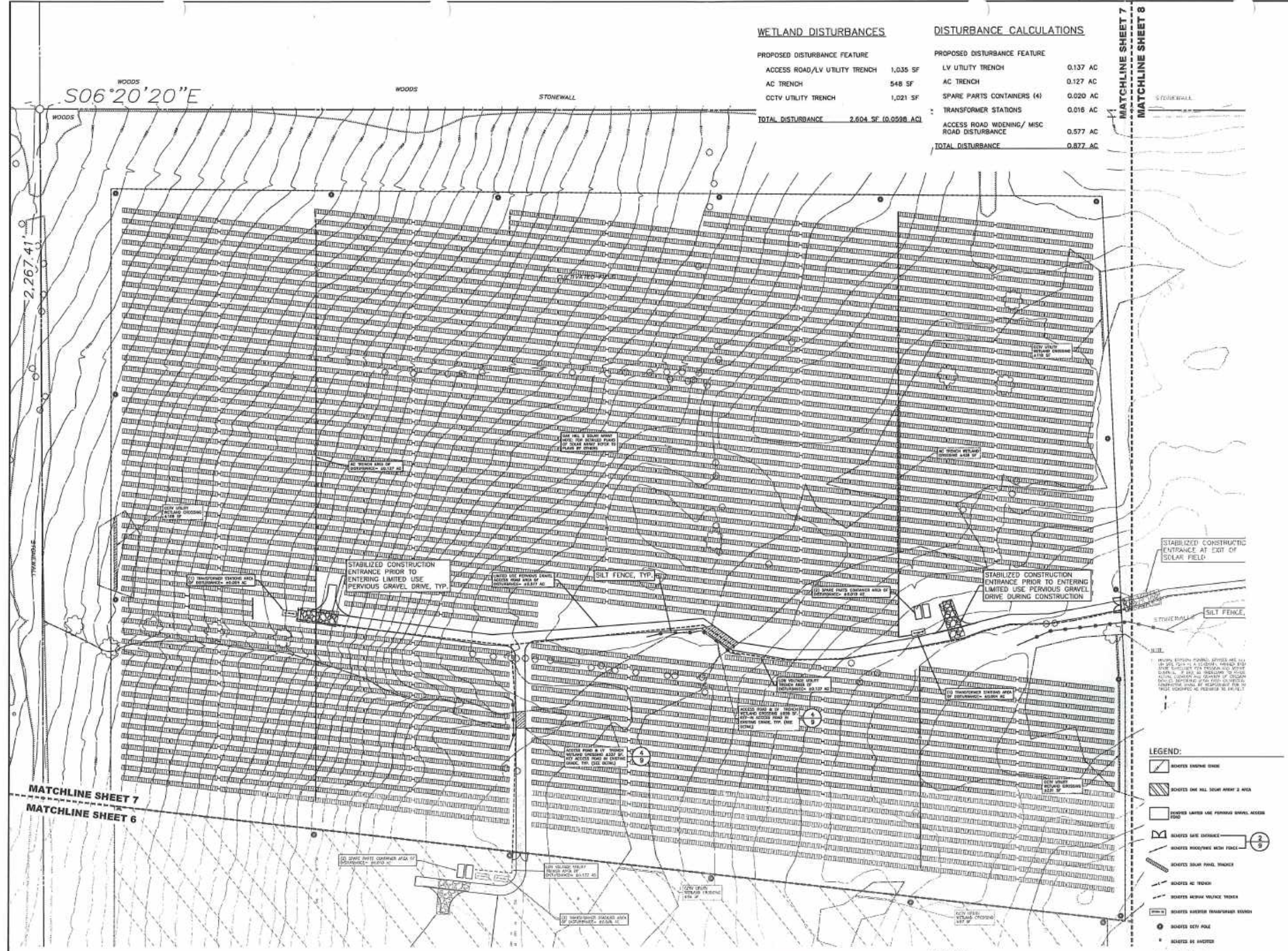
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STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE AT EXIT OF SOLAR FIELD

STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE PRIOR TO ENTERING LIMITED USE PERVIOUS GRAVEL DRIVE, TYP.

STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE PRIOR TO ENTERING LIMITED USE PERVIOUS GRAVEL DRIVE DURING CONSTRUCTION

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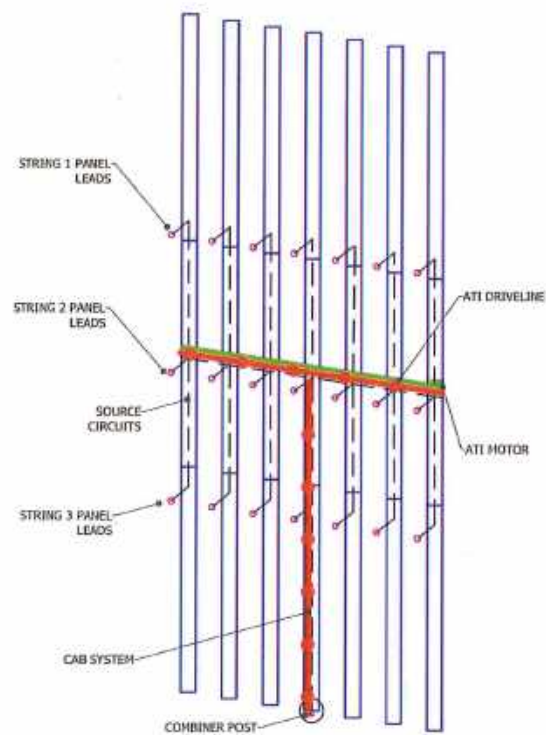
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  - BOARDS HOOD/TIE WASH FENCE
  - BOARDS SOLAR PANEL TRACKER
  - BOARDS AC TRENCH
  - BOARDS MESH VULCAN TRENCH
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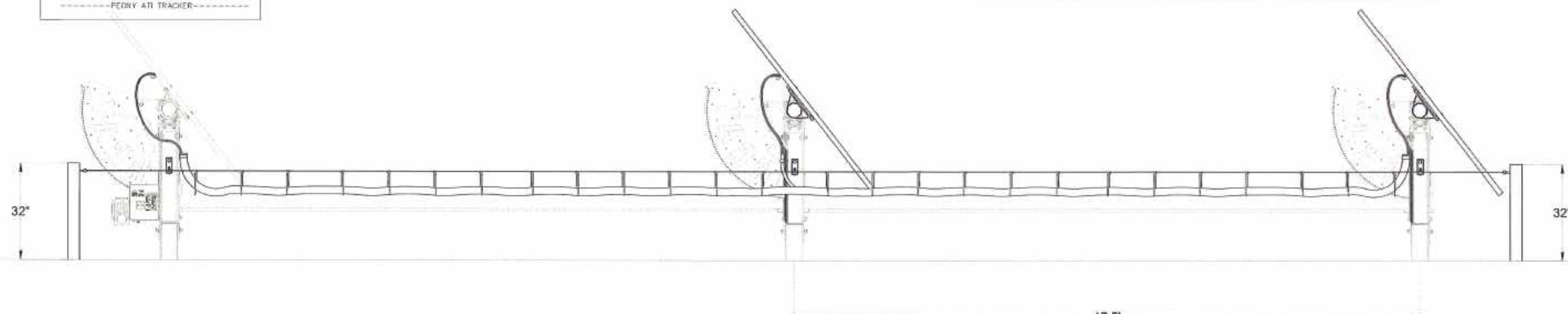




CAB SYSTEM ELEVATIONS

REV. 1    MARTIN HILL    01/26/17

-----PEONY ATI TRACKER-----



○ **PLUG N PLAY EAST TO WEST DETAIL (BY OTHERS)**  
NOT TO SCALE

**ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN PARTNERSHIP, LLP.**  
900 Route 146 Clifton Park, New York - 12065  
(518) 371-7621  
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SOLAR FARM DETAILS FOR  
**OAK HILL SOLAR**

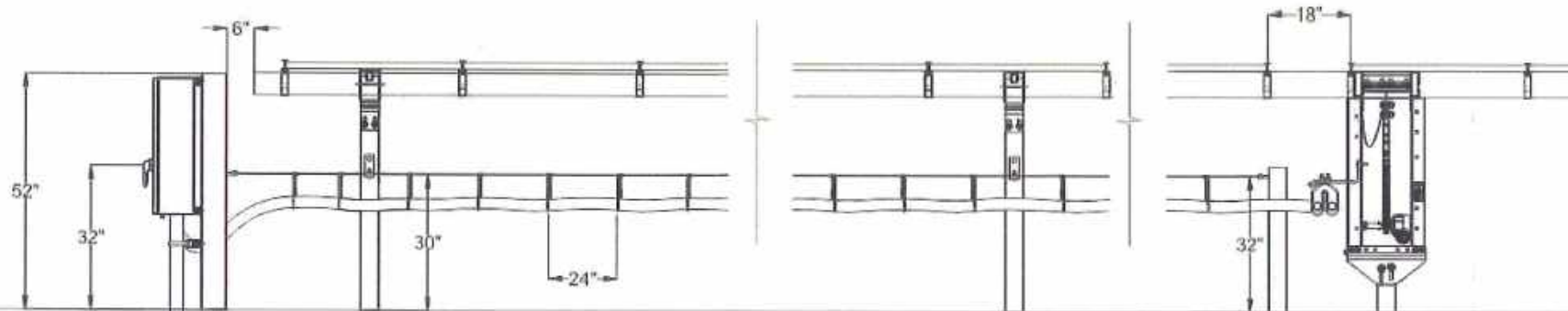
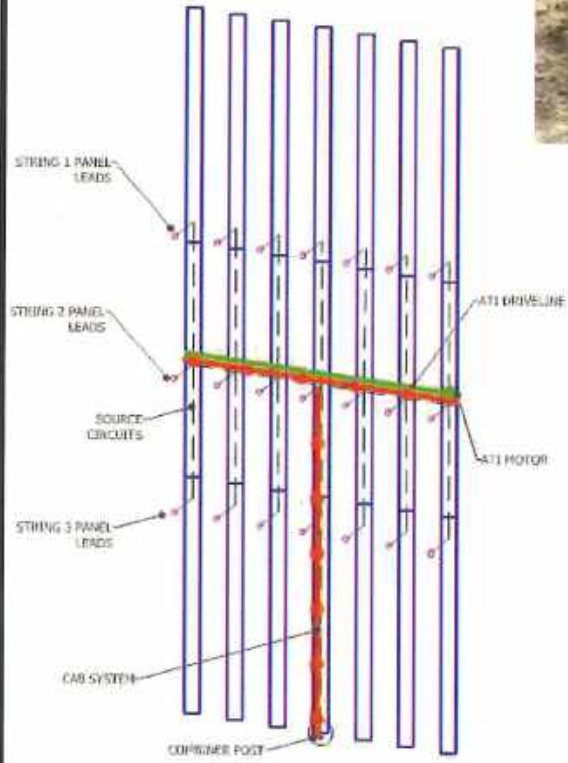
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TOWN OF DUANESBURG    TAX MAP. NO. 74.00-2-5  
SCHENECTADY COUNTY    AUGUST 8, 2019


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**ABOVE GROUND WIRING DETAILS**

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SOLAR FARM DETAILS FOR  
**OAK HILL SOLAR**

13590 DUANESBURG RD  
 TOWN OF DUANESBURG    TAX MAP. NO. 74.00-2-5  
 SCHENECTADY COUNTY    AUGUST 8, 2019

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Attachment D  
SHPO Correspondence



## Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation

ANDREW M. CUOMO  
Governor

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Acting Commissioner

June 04, 2019

Mr. Paul Olund  
R.L.A.  
Environmental Design Partnership  
900 Route 146  
Clifton Park, NY 12065

Re: USACE  
Eden Renewables Solar Farm Project  
13590 Duanesburg Rd., Duanesburg, NY  
18PR02968

Dear Mr. Olund:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the New York State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the submitted materials in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. These comments are those of the SHPO and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include other environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project. Such impacts must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and/or the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York State Environmental Conservation Law Article 8).

We have reviewed the report entitled "Phase I Archaeological Investigation, Oak Hill Solar Farms, NY-7 / Duanesburg Road, Town of Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York" (May 2019). No archaeological resources were identified during the survey. SHPO has no concerns regarding the project's potential to affect historic architectural resources. Therefore, it is the opinion of the New York SHPO that no historic properties, including archaeological and/or historic resources, will be affected by this undertaking.

If further correspondence is required regarding this project, please refer to the SHPO Project Review (PR) number noted above. If you have any questions I can be reached at 518-268-2186.

Sincerely,

Tim Lloyd, Ph.D., RPA  
Scientist - Archaeology  
timothy.lloyd@parks.ny.gov

via e-mail only

cc: G. Maruca, J. Divirgilio, and J. Geraghty

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Attachment E  
Endangered Species Consultation



## United States Department of the Interior



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<http://www.fws.gov/northeast/nyfo/es/section7.htm>

In Reply Refer To:

August 02, 2019

Consultation Code: 05E1NY00-2019-SLI-2864

Event Code: 05E1NY00-2019-E-08942

Project Name: Oak Hill Solar 1 and Oak Hill Solar 2

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

### To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). This list can also be used to determine whether listed species may be present for projects without federal agency involvement. New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list.

Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the ESA, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC site at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list. If listed, proposed, or candidate species were identified as potentially occurring in the project area, coordination with our office is encouraged. Information on the steps involved with assessing potential impacts from projects can be found at: <http://www.fws.gov/northeast/nyfo/es/section7.htm>

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (<http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/>



[eagle\\_guidance.html](#)). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the Services wind energy guidelines (<http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm>; <http://www.towerkill.com>; and <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html>.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the ESA. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List

## **Official Species List**

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

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Cortland, NY 13045-9385  
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## Project Summary

Consultation Code: 05E1NY00-2019-SLI-2864

Event Code: 05E1NY00-2019-E-08942

Project Name: Oak Hill Solar 1 and Oak Hill Solar 2

Project Type: POWER GENERATION

Project Description: Installation of a land based renewable energy facility

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/place/42.72961306699949N74.25300086498007W>



Counties: Schenectady, NY

## Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 1 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries<sup>1</sup>, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. NOAA Fisheries, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

### Mammals

NAME	STATUS
Northern Long-eared Bat <i>Myotis septentrionalis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <a href="https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045">https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045</a>	Threatened

### Critical habitats

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.