

Full Environmental Assessment Form
Part 3 - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts
and
Determination of Significance

Part 3 provides the reasons in support of the determination of significance. The lead agency must complete Part 3 for every question in Part 2 where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Based on the analysis in Part 3, the lead agency must decide whether to require an environmental impact statement to further assess the proposed action or whether available information is sufficient for the lead agency to conclude that the proposed action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact. By completing the certification on the next page, the lead agency can complete its determination of significance.

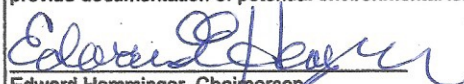
Reasons Supporting This Determination:

To complete this section:

- Identify the impact based on the Part 2 responses and describe its magnitude. Magnitude considers factors such as severity, size or extent of an impact.
- Assess the importance of the impact. Importance relates to the geographic scope, duration, probability of the impact occurring, number of people affected by the impact and any additional environmental consequences if the impact were to occur.
- The assessment should take into consideration any design element or project changes.
- Repeat this process for each Part 2 question where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.
- Provide the reason(s) why the impact may, or will not, result in a significant adverse environmental impact
- For Conditional Negative Declarations identify the specific condition(s) imposed that will modify the proposed action so that no significant adverse environmental impacts will result.
- Attach additional sheets, as needed.

The Town of Farmington Planning Board, the established lead agency for the coordinated review of the above referenced Action, has completed Parts 2 and 3 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form; and under separate resolution which is attached to this Part 3, makes a Determination of Non-Significance upon the Actions pending before the Town of Farmington Planning Board and Town of Farmington Zoning Board of Appeals. The environmental record consists of a summary of over 100 abstract items which has continuously been updated and posted upon the town's website, and complete copies thereof placed in Project file in the Town Development Office. These documents are hereby also made a part of this Part 3 of the Full EAF.

The Planning Board, in making this Determination of Non-Significance, has given a thorough and complete evaluation of all comments and concerns provided. The Planning Board finds that it has fulfilled its' obligations as the lead agency for this Action taking into consideration all relevant factual documentation of anticipated impacts likely to occur. In fulfilling its' obligation, the Planning Board acknowledges input received from State, County and Town agencies, from the residents of the Town of Farmington, from the attorney representing the residents, from consultants retained by the Applicant to provide documentation of potential environmental issues and to the Applicant for its' participation in this lengthy environmental review process.


 Edward Hemminger, Chairperson
 Town of Farmington Planning Board

Attachments: Part 2, Full EAF; Part 3, Full EAF; Abstract Summary of Project (Last revised date August 1, 2019); Report from MRB Group, D.P.C., on the DRS Project Geotechnical Report, dated July 29, 2019; responses from Delaware River Solar (dated August 1, 2019) to concerns identified at the July 17, 2019 Planning Board Meeting, Town Planning Board Resolutions dated August 7, 2019 accepting Part 2 of the Full EAF, Part 3 of the Full EAF and a resolution setting forth the criteria contained in Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations.

Determination of Significance - Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

SEQR Status: Type 1 Unlisted

Identify portions of EAF completed for this Project: Part 1 Part 2 Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, plus this additional support information see attached Planning Board Resolution dated August 7, 2019 setting forth the Board's findings based upon the criteria contained in Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations.

and considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the
Town of Farmington Planning Board as lead agency that:

A. This project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative declaration is issued.

B. Although this project could have a significant adverse impact on the environment, that impact will be avoided or substantially mitigated because of the following conditions which will be required by the lead agency:

There will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the project as conditioned, and, therefore, this conditioned negative declaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be used only for UNLISTED actions (see 6 NYCRR 617.d).

C. This Project may result in one or more significant adverse impacts on the environment, and an environmental impact statement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and possible mitigation and to explore alternatives to avoid or reduce those impacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration is issued.

Name of Action: Delaware River Solar Project - Yellow Mills and Fox Roads, Town of Farmington, Ontario County, New York

Name of Lead Agency: Town of Farmington Planning Board

Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: Edward Hemminger

Title of Responsible Officer: Chairperson Town of Farmington Planning Board

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:  Date: August 7, 2019

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer) Date:

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For Type 1 Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a copy of this Notice is sent to:

Chief Executive Officer of the political subdivision in which the action will be principally located (e.g., Town / City / Village of)

Other involved agencies (if any)

Applicant (if any)

Environmental Notice Bulletin: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/enb/enb.html>

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