

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE KENTUCKY STATE BOARD ON
ELECTRIC GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION SITING**

IN THE MATTER OF:

THE ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF MEADE)	
COUNTY SOLAR LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE TO)	
CONSTRUCT AN APPROXIMATELY 40 MEGAWATT)	CASE NO.
MERCHANT SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING)	2020-00390
FACILITY IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY)	
PURSUANT TO KRS 278.700, ET SEQ.,)	
AND 807 KAR 5:110)	

**MEADE COUNTY SOLAR LLC'S
APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE
TO CONSTRUCT A MERCHANT
GENERATING FACILITY**

Comes now Meade County Solar LLC (“Meade County Solar”), by counsel, pursuant to KRS 278.700, *et seq.*, and 807 KAR 5:100, *et seq.*, and other applicable law, and does hereby submit its application for a certificate to construct an approximately 40 megawatt (“MW”) merchant solar electric generating facility in Meade County, Kentucky (the “Meade County Solar Project” or “Project”). In support of this Application, Meade County Solar states as follows:

1. Meade County Solar is a Delaware limited liability company, formed on February 3, 2020 and owned by Community Energy Solar, LLC. Its principal offices are located at Three Radnor Corporate Center, Suite 300, 100 Matsonford Rd., Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087. Its principal contact is Chris Killenberg, Regional Development Director, Community Energy Solar, LLC, P.O. Box 17236, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27516, telephone (919) 360-9792, email: chris.killenberg@communityenergyinc.com. Community Energy Solar, LLC is an affiliate of Community Energy, Inc., an industry leader in renewable energy development for more than 20 years completing many of the first utility-scale wind and solar projects in the United States. Since

its inception, Community Energy, Inc. has developed and financed more than 2,000 MW of renewable energy power projects, including 1,300 MW of solar power. Community Energy, Inc. is also headquartered in Radnor, Pennsylvania.

2. Meade County Solar was granted authority to conduct business in Kentucky evidenced by a Certificate of Authority issued by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Office of the Secretary of State, on February 4, 2020. A copy of this Certificate of Authority is provided as Exhibit 1 Attachment, page 1 of 1.

3. The Meade County Solar Project is a 40 MW ground mounted solar photovoltaic electric generating facility comprising approximately 370 acres of land in southwestern Meade County, Kentucky, located on two sites: one site along Stith Valley Road in the township of Guston, Kentucky, and the other site along Big Spring Road in the township of Vine Grove, Kentucky. The Project includes approximately 104,000 photovoltaic solar panels, associated ground-mounted racking, 54 inverters, and a substation transformer that will connect to the 69kV Custer-Flaherty Tap transmission line owned by Big Rivers Electric Corporation (“Big Rivers”). The power generated by the facility will be sold to Big Rivers under a 20-year power purchase agreement.

4. Pursuant to KRS 278.706 and 807 KAR 5:100, Section 1., because the manufacturer’s nameplate rated electric generating capacity is 40.77 MW, Meade County Solar has submitted its application fee of Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$40,770) to be deposited into the Kentucky Public Service Commission’s “siting fund” created pursuant to KRS 278.716.

5. Meade County Solar, by and through its attorneys, has the ability to receive electronic transmissions in this matter at the electronic mail addresses listed below.

6. Greater detail about the Project and compliance with all information required by KRS 278.700, *et seq.*, and 807 KAR 5:100, *et seq.*, to support a complete Application and granting of a Construction Certificate are provided in the Application Exhibits, which are specifically incorporated herein. Reference is made to the attached Table of Contents for a description of each statutory filing requirement and related compliance information.

7. The Meade Solar Project complies with all provisions of KRS 278.700 – KRS 278.716 and 807 KAR 5:100 – 807 KAR 5:110, and the Siting Board should so find and grant Meade County Solar a Construction Certificate to construct the Project.

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, Meade County Solar respectfully requests that the Siting Board:

1. Accept this Application for filing as administratively complete;
2. Grant a Construction Certificate for Meade County Solar to construct the Meade County Solar Project; and,
3. Afford Meade County Solar all other due and proper relief to which it may be entitled.

Done this 3rd day of June, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of this Application has been served via electronic mail to Leslie Stith, County Judge-Executive at judgeexecutive@meadeky.gov, and by United States first-class mail at Meade County Courthouse, 516 Hillcrest Drive Ste. 12, Brandenburg, KY 40108, and to Guy Garcia, Chairman, Meade County Planning Commission at ggarcia@bbtel.com, and by United States first-class mail at 516 Hillcrest Dr., Suite #13, Brandenburg, KY 40108, this 3rd day of June, 2021.



Counsel for Meade County Solar LLC

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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(a)

The name, address, and telephone number of the person proposing to construct and own the merchant electric generating facility.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

The Applicant is Meade County Solar LLC, with an address of Three Radnor Corporate Center, Suite 300, 100 Matsonford Rd., Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087. Meade County Solar LLC's telephone number is (866) 946-3143. On February 4, 2020 the Kentucky Secretary of State issued a Certificate of Authority for Meade County Solar LLC to transact business in the Commonwealth. A copy of this document is provided as Exhibit 1 Attachment.

Meade County Solar LLC is owned and managed by Community Energy Solar, LLC, having an address of Three Radnor Corporate Center, Suite 300, 100 Matsonford Rd., Radnor, Pennsylvania 19087.

The principal contact is Chris Killenberg, Regional Development Director, Community Energy Solar, LLC, P.O. Box 17236, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27516. Mr. Killenberg can be reached by telephone at (919) 360-9792, and by email at chris.killenberg@communityenergyinc.com.

EXHIBIT 1
ATTACHMENT



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
ALISON LUNDERGAN GRIMES, SECRETARY OF STATE

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Michael G. Adams
Kentucky Secretary of State
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Division of Business Filings Business Filings PO Box 718, Frankfort, KY 40602 (502) 564-3490 www.sos.ky.gov	Certificate of Authority (Foreign Business Entity)	FBE
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Pursuant to the provisions of KRS 14A and KRS 271B, 273, 274, 275, 362 and 386 the undersigned hereby applies for authority to transact business in Kentucky on behalf of the entity named below and, for that purpose, submits the following statements:

1. The entity is a : profit corporation (KRS 271B) nonprofit corporation (KRS 273) professional service corporation (KRS 274)
 business trust (KRS 386). limited liability company (KRS 275) professional limited liability company (KRS 275)
 limited partnership (KRS 362). ltd cooperative assn. (KRS) statutory trust
 non-profit llc (KRS 275) cooperative assn. (KRS)

2. The name of the entity is Meade County Solar LLC
(The name must be identical to the name on record with the Secretary of State.)

3. The name of the entity to be used in Kentucky is (if applicable): _____
(Only provide if "real name" is unavailable for use; otherwise, leave blank.)

4. The state or country under whose law the entity is organized is Delaware

5. The date of organization is 2/3/2020 and the period of duration is _____
(If left blank, the period of duration is considered perpetual.)

6. The mailing address of the entity's principal office is
Three Radnor Corporate Center, Suite 300 Radnor PA 19087
Street Address City State Zip Code

7. The street address of the entity's registered office in Kentucky is
306 W. Main Street, Suite 512 Frankfort KY 40601
Street Address (No P.O. Box Numbers) City State Zip Code

and the name of the registered agent at that office is CT Corporation System

8. The names and business addresses of the entity's representatives (secretary, officers and directors, managers, trustees or general partners):

<u>R. Brent Alderfer</u> Name	<u>3 Radnor Corp Ctr, Ste 300</u> Street or P.O. Box	<u>Radnor</u> City	<u>PA</u> State	<u>19087</u> Zip Code
<u>Brent Beerley</u> Name	<u>3 Radnor Corp Ctr, Ste 300</u> Street or P.O. Box	<u>Radnor</u> City	<u>PA</u> State	<u>19087</u> Zip Code

9. If a professional service corporation, all the individual shareholders, not less than one half (1/2) of the directors, and all of the officers other than the secretary and treasurer are licensed in one or more states or territories of the United States or District of Columbia to render a professional service described in the statement of purposes of the corporation.

10. I certify that, as of the date of filing this application, the above-named entity validly exists under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation.

11. If a limited partnership, it elects to be a limited liability limited partnership. Check the box if applicable:

12. If a limited liability company, check box if manager-managed:

13. This application will be effective upon filing, unless a delayed effective date and/or time is provided.
 The effective date or the delayed effective date cannot be prior to the date the application is filed. The date of this filing is _____

Please indicate the Kentucky county in which your business operates:
 County: Meade

To complete the following, please shade

Please indicate the size of your business:
 Small (Fewer than 50 employees)
 Large (50 or more employees)

Please indicate whether any of the following apply:
 Women-Owned Veteran Owned

Please indicate which of the following best describes your business:
 Agriculture Mining Services Construction
 Wholesale Trade Retail Trade Manufacturing Finance, Insurance, Real Estate
 Public Administration Transportation, Communications, Electric, Gas, Sanitary Services
 Other

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 COUNTY: FRANKLIN
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Brent Beerley
 Signature of Authorized Representative Printed Name & Title 2/4/2020
 Date
 I, CT Corporation System, consent to serve as the registered agent on behalf of the business entity.
Typed name of registered agent

Les la J Marti.n Assistant Secretary 2/4/2020
 Signature of Registered Agent Printed Name Title Date
 (05/17)

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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(b)

A full description of the proposed site, including a map showing the distance of the proposed site from residential neighborhoods, the nearest residential structures, schools, and public and private parks that are located within a two (2) mile radius of the proposed facility.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

Description of the Proposed Site

The proposed site for the 40-megawatt Meade County Solar project (the “Project”) is approximately 370 acres of land across two locations in southwestern Meade County, Kentucky. The Stith Valley section of the site is located at 4080 Stith Valley Road in Guston, Kentucky. Coordinates for the Stith Valley site are: 37°50'13.52"N latitude and 86°9'36.79"W longitude. The Big Spring section of the site is located at 4316 Big Spring Road in Vine Grove, Kentucky. Coordinates for the Big Spring site are: 37°49'15.05"N latitude and 86°7'43.20"W longitude. The two sites will be connected by an approximately 2-mile underground medium voltage cable.

Once completed, the proposed facility will cover approximately 340 acres of the project site. The facility will include approximately 104,000 solar panels on a ground-mounted racking system. The entire facility will be surrounded by a security fence. Existing natural vegetative buffers between the solar farm and Stith Valley Road, and between the solar farm and Big Spring Road, will be retained. Where no natural buffer currently exists, a double-row of evergreen plantings will be installed.

Access to the Stith Valley section of the proposed facility will be from two points along the southern side of Stith Valley Road. Access to the Big Spring section of the proposed facility will be from a single point along the eastern side of Big Spring Road.

Distance from Residential Neighborhoods

KRS 278.700 defines “Residential Neighborhood” as a populated area of five (5) or more acres containing at least one (1) residential structure per acre.

There is one (1) Residential Neighborhood within a two (2) mile radius of the proposed Project site. It is located approximately 1.16 miles south of the Big Spring section of the project site, at the unincorporated community of Big Spring. The community of Big Spring is located at the

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confluence of Big Spring Road (KY 333), Rineyville-Big Spring Road (KY 220), and High Plains Road (KY 2199) and straddles three counties: Meade County, Hardin County, and Breckinridge County. This Residential Neighborhood is comprised of 26 residential structures.

Nearest Residential Structures

The nearest residential structures, and distances from the proposed Stith Valley section of the Project site are:

- 415 Scott Hill Road
 - 886 feet from the periphery of the site
- 275 Scott Hill Road
 - 657 feet from the periphery of the site
- 4080 Stith Valley Road
 - 875 feet from the periphery of the site
 - 500 feet from the point of interconnection (POI)
- 3890 Stith Valley Road
 - 757 feet from the periphery of the site
- 3725 Stith Valley Road
 - 855 feet from the periphery of the site
- 1320 Ballman Road
 - 671 feet from the periphery of the site
- 1055 Ballman Road
 - 631 feet from the periphery of the site

The nearest residential structures, and distances from the proposed Big Spring section of the Project site are:

- 4316 Big Spring Road
 - 500 feet from the periphery of the site
- 4461 Big Spring Road
 - 590 feet from the periphery of the site
- 4686 Big Spring Road
 - 576 feet from the periphery of the site
- 5090 Big Spring Road
 - 1282 feet from the periphery of the site
- 1055 Clarkson Road
 - 1093 feet from the periphery of the site

Nearest Schools

There are no schools within two (2) miles of the proposed Project site.

Nearest Public Parks

There are no public parks within two (2) miles of the proposed Project site.

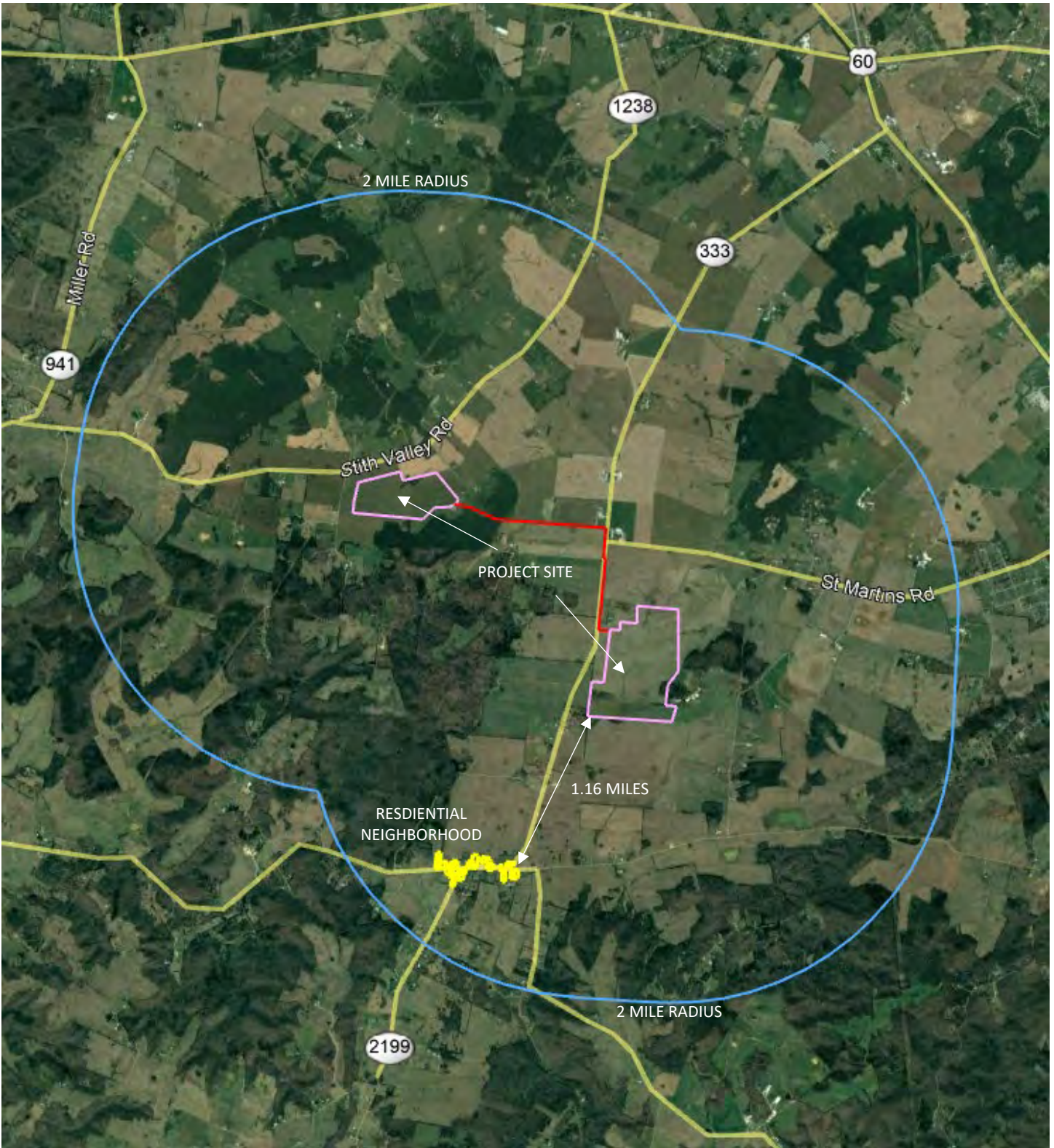
Nearest Private Parks



There are no known private parks within two (2) miles of the proposed Project site.

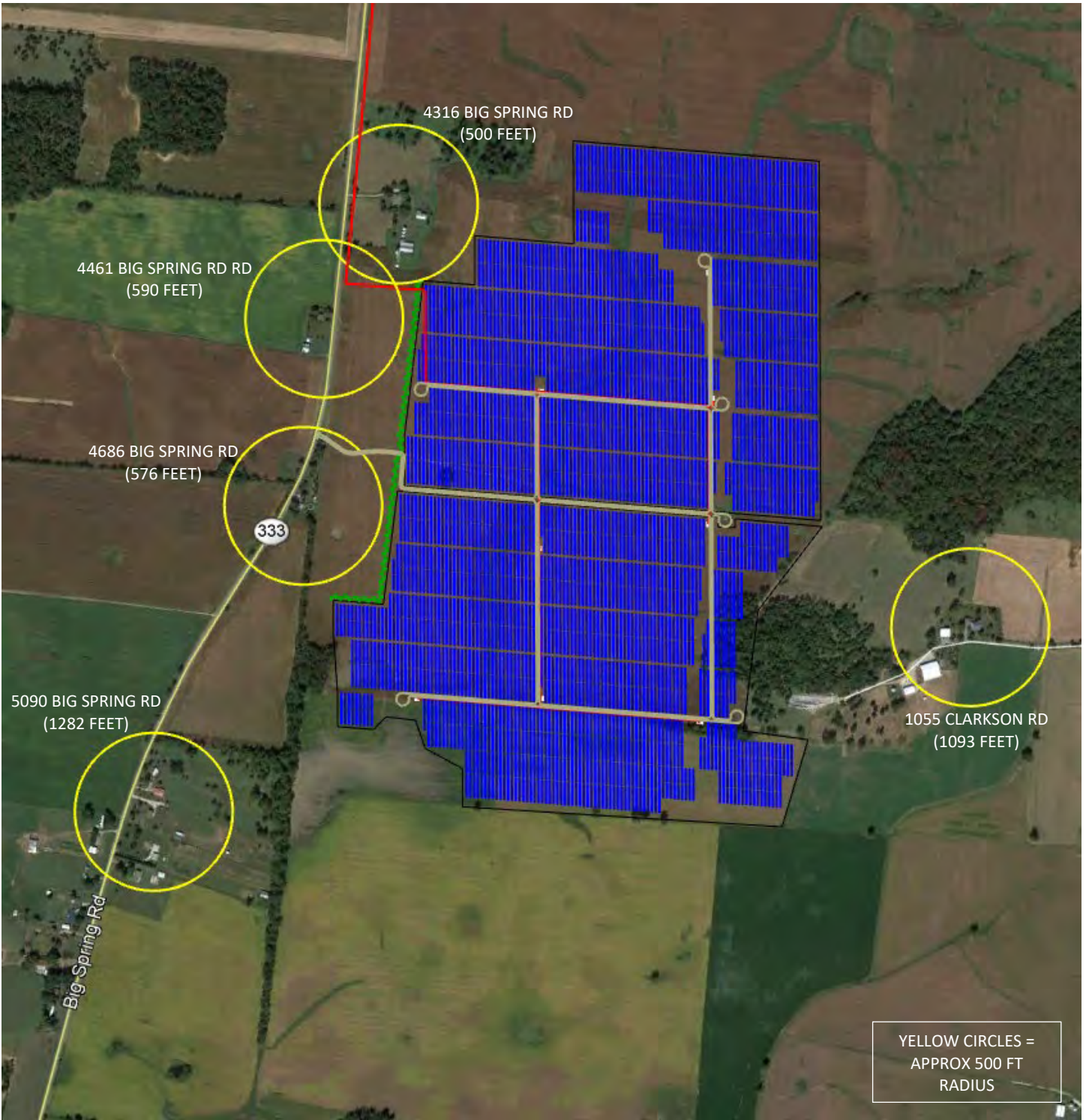
A map showing the distance of the proposed site from residential neighborhoods, schools, and public and private parks that are located within a two (2) mile radius of the proposed facility is attached as Exhibit 2 Attachment page 1 of 3.

A map showing the distance of the proposed site from the nearest residential structures is attached as Exhibit 2 Attachment pages 2 of 3 and 3 of 3.

EXHIBIT 2
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 <p>COMMUNITY ENERGY[®]</p> <p>COMMUNITY ENERGY SOLAR, LLC</p> <p>3 RADNOR CORP CENTER, SUITE 300 100 MATSONFORD RD. RADNOR, PA 19087 (866) 946-3123</p>	<p>MEADE COUNTY SOLAR - 40MW SOLAR PROJECT MEADE COUNTY, KY</p>		<p>MAP SHOWING THE DISTANCE OF THE PROPOSED SITE FROM RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS, SCHOOLS, AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARKS THAT ARE LOCATED WITHIN A TWO (2) MILE RADIUS OF THE PROPOSED FACILITY</p>		
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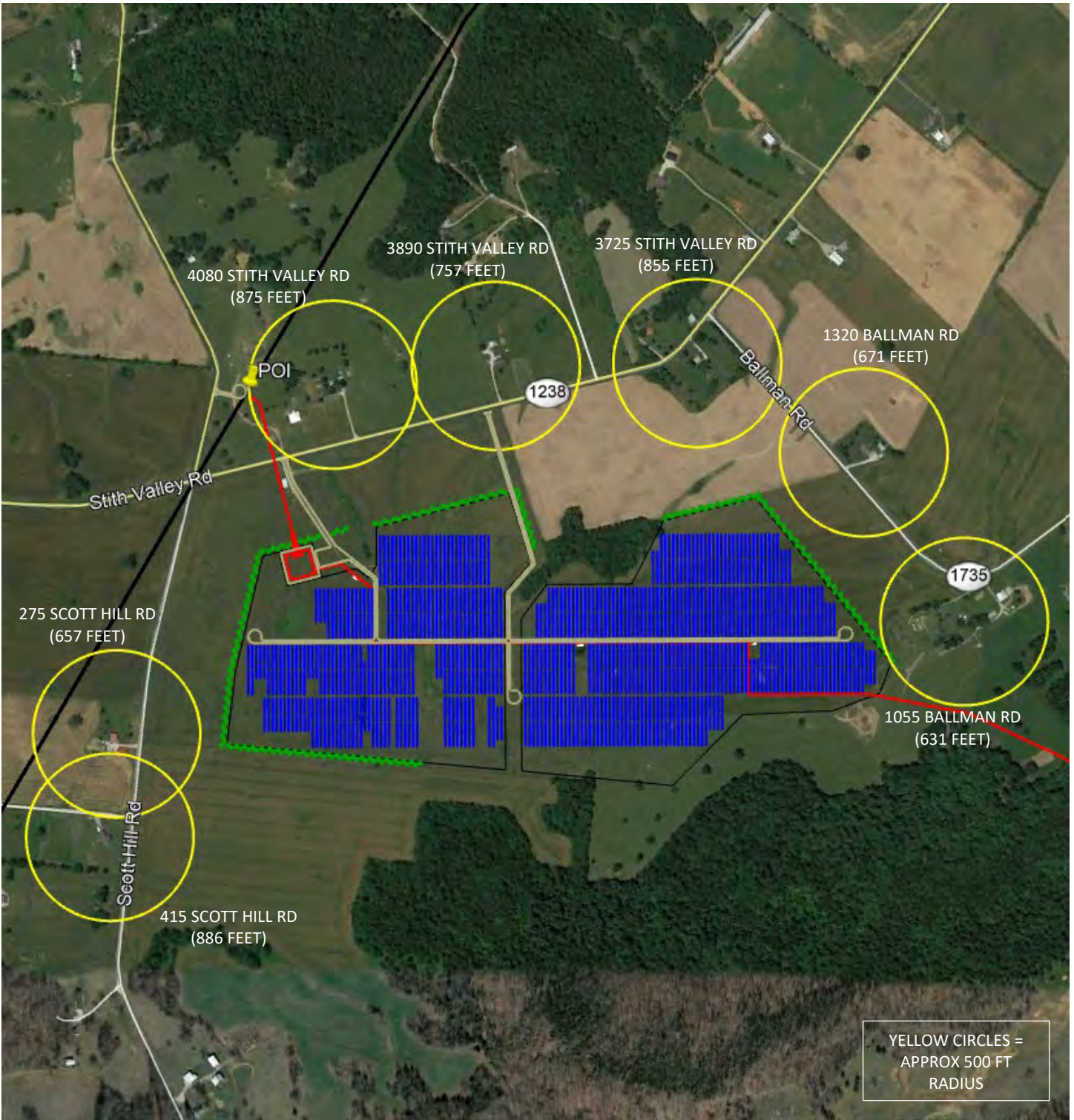
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**MEADE COUNTY SOLAR - 40MW SOLAR PROJECT
MEADE COUNTY, KY**





BIG SPRING RD, VINE GROVE, KY 40175
LAT/LONG: 37.82 N / -86.13 W
DATE: 5.20.2021

MAP SHOWING THE DISTANCE OF
THE PROPOSED BIG SPRING SITE
FROM THE NEAREST RESIDENTIAL
STRUCTURES



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 <p>COMMUNITY ENERGY COMMUNITY ENERGY SOLAR, LLC 3 RADNOR CORP CENTER, SUITE 300 100 MATSONFORD RD. RADNOR, PA 19087 (866) 946-3123</p>	<p>MEADE COUNTY SOLAR - 40MW SOLAR PROJECT MEADE COUNTY, KY</p>		<p>MAP SHOWING THE DISTANCE OF THE PROPOSED STITH VALLEY SITE FROM THE NEAREST RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES</p>
		<p>STITH VALLEY RD, GUSTON, KY 40142 LAT/LONG: 37.48 N / -88.16 W DATE: 5.20.2021</p>	

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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(c)

Evidence of public notice that shall include the location of the proposed site and a general description of the project, state that the proposed construction is subject to approval by the board, and provide the telephone number and address of the Public Service Commission. Public notice shall be given within thirty (30) days immediately preceding the application filing to: 1. Landowners whose property borders the proposed site; and 2. The general public in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or municipality in which the facility is proposed to be located.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

LANDOWNER NOTICE: The notice required by KRS 278.706(2)(c) to all individuals owning property adjacent to the proposed Meade County Solar Project was provided by a letter dated and posted in the United States mail, on May 18, 2021, a date that is within thirty days immediately preceding the Application's filing. A sample of this letter and a list by name and address of all individuals to whom this letter was mailed are attached as Exhibit 3 Attachment pages 1-3 of 5.

GENERAL PUBLIC NOTICE: The notice required by KRS 278.706(2)(c) to the general public was provided on May 21, 2021, a date that is within thirty days immediately preceding the Application's filing, by publication in the *The Meade County Messenger* newspaper, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Brandenburg, Meade County, Kentucky. The Affidavit of Publication, including the text of the notice, is attached as Exhibit 3 Attachment page 4-5 of 5.

EXHIBIT 3
ATTACHMENT



May 17, 2021

[Name]
[Address]
[City, State, Zip]

Re: Meade County Solar LLC project in Meade County, Kentucky
Notice of Application before Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting

Dear [Name],

We are again writing to inform you of a solar energy project which is being developed on 370 acres of land adjacent to your property. One section is along Stith Valley Road, and one section is along Big Spring Road.

The project details have now been finalized and we intend to formally submit it to the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission (“Siting Board”) in the coming days for review and approval to issue a construction certificate. The Siting Board’s contact information is: c/o Kentucky Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602-0615, telephone (502) 564-3940. Assuming the Siting Board issues its approval, construction on the project will begin in 2022 and operations will commence in 2023.

We previously held a virtual public informational meeting describing the project and have responded to questions and requests for additional information from landowners and the public-at-large. Should you wish to learn more about the project and review the presentation given at this public meeting, please visit <https://www.communityenergyinc.com/meadecountysolar>.

You will find attached a copy of the public notice which we are placing in The Messenger discussing the upcoming filing for approval of a construction certificate with the Siting Board. If you have any questions about the project or would like to learn more, please contact Chris Killenberg, Regional Development Director, by email at chris.killenberg@communityenergyinc.com or by telephone at (919) 360-9792.

Sincerely Yours,

Meade County Solar LLC

By: Community Energy Inc, LLC
Its Managing Member

Joel Thomas
Executive Vice President

Enclosure: Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Meade County Solar LLC is proposing to develop and construct an approximately 40-megawatt ground mounted solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 370 acres to be located along Big Spring Road and Stith Valley Road in Meade County, Kentucky. The proposed Meade County Solar project will consist of solar photovoltaic panels and associated racking, inverters, substation transformer and other necessary equipment to support the project.

Meade County Solar LLC is required to file an application for approval to construct and operate the proposed facility. This application is subject to the approval of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting, having the following contact information: P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615, or by telephone at (502) 564-3940.

Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding before the Siting Board may, by written motion filed no later than thirty (30) days after the application has been submitted, request leave to intervene.

A party may, upon written motion filed no later than thirty (30) days after an application has been filed, request the Siting Board to schedule an evidentiary hearing at the offices of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615.

A request that the Siting Board conduct a local public hearing or local public information meeting shall be made by at least three (3) interested persons who reside in the county or municipal corporation in which the facility is proposed to be constructed to consider the application for a construction certificate. The request shall be made in writing and shall be filed no later than thirty (30) days after a complete application is filed.

Any questions related to the application or other aspects of the approval process may be directed to the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615, or by telephone at (502) 564-3940.

Parcel Number	Parcel Address	Acreage	Owner Name	Street	City	State	Zip
130-00-00-010	420 Ballman Road	189	[REDACTED]	2436 Dents Bridge Road	Irvington	KY	40146
119-00-00-013.10	1320 Ballman Road	1.3	[REDACTED]	1320 Ballman Road	Guston	KY	40142
141-00-00-012	St. Martin Road	5.4	[REDACTED]	649 Bloomington Road	Leitchfield	KY	42754
121-00-00-002	Big Spring Road	485.1	[REDACTED]	5601 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
131-00-00-004	5046 Big Spring Road	11.72	[REDACTED]	705 Crump Lane	Elizabethtown	KY	42701
131-00-00-002.01	Big Spring Road	141.4	[REDACTED]	3388 New Salem Church Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-001.30	Hill Grove Road	24.8	[REDACTED]	3950 Hill Grove Road	Guston	KY	40142
119-00-00-001.50	Hill Grove Road	15.2	[REDACTED]	7955 Hwy 477	Webster	KY	40176
119-00-00-001.40	Hill Grove Road	113.6	[REDACTED]	675 Stith Valley Road	Ekron	KY	40117
119-00-00-001.20	Hill Grove Road	9.2	[REDACTED]	4080 Hill Grove Road	Guston	KY	40142
131-00-00-002	Big Spring Road	0.6	[REDACTED]	4461 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
131-00-00-009	5235 Big Spring Road	5.6	[REDACTED]	5235 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-004.15	Off KY 1238	31.3	[REDACTED]	PO Box 1467	Fort Knox	KY	40121
142-00-00-013.01	Clarkson Road	64.4	[REDACTED]	1055 Clarkson Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
131-00-00-003	Big Spring Road	0.9	[REDACTED]	4686 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
141-00-00-009.20	St. Martin Road	22.8	[REDACTED]	3840 St. Martin Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-019	Scott Hill Road	19.2	[REDACTED]	275 Scott Hill Road	Guston	KY	40142
131-00-00-006	5115 Big Spring Road	12.9	[REDACTED]	5115 Big Springs Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
142-00-00-014.05	1266 Clarkson Road	26.1	[REDACTED]	1266 Clarkson Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-004.02	3854 Stith Valley Road	2	[REDACTED]	3854 Stith Valley Road	Guston	KY	40142
119-00-00-016	730 Scott Hill Road	168.9	[REDACTED]	730 Scott Hill Road	Guston	KY	40142
120-00-00-005	Alex Willis Lane	35.2	[REDACTED]	52 Bittersweet Place	Brandenburg	KY	40108
119-00-00-004.01	3840 Stith Valley Road	2.8	[REDACTED]	3840 Stith Valley Road	Guston	KY	40142
120-00-00-005.03	Alex Willis Lane	42.5	[REDACTED]	935 Buck Knobs Road	Ekron	KY	40117
119-00-00-006	Stith Valley Road	29.6	[REDACTED]	3340 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-011	1055 Ballman Road	211.2	[REDACTED]	239 John Road	Radcliff	KY	40160
119-00-00-012	1125 Ballman Road	11.7	[REDACTED]	403 Adams Circle	Elizabethtown	KY	42701
119-00-00-003	3890 Stith Valley Road	10.8	[REDACTED]	3890 Stith Valley Road	Guston	KY	40142
120-00-00-006	46 Alex Willis Lane	16	[REDACTED]	PO Box 3	Poway	CA	92074
131-00-00-018	Clarkson Road	210	[REDACTED]	2021 St. Martin Road	Vine Grove	KY	40174
118-00-00-002	Stith Valley Road	424	[REDACTED]	3170 Stith Valley Road	Guston	KY	40142
141-00-00-014	St. Martin Road	113.9	[REDACTED]	3561 Big Springs Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
131-00-00-011	5225 Big Spring Road	13.6	[REDACTED]	5225 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
131-00-00-005	5090 Big Spring Road	4.8	[REDACTED]	5090 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
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County of Meade

I, a Notary Public for the State at Large, do hereby certify that the foregoing Affidavit was this the 21 day of May, 2021 produced before me in the State and County aforesaid, and was signed, acknowledged, delivered, and sworn to by Tracy Whittaker of the Meade County Messenger to be his/her free act and deed.

[Signature]
Notary Public State At Large

07/13/2022
My Commission Expires

PUBLIC RECORD

Meade County Mugs



5/14: **Andrea Dawn Childress**, 27, Brandenburg, KSP - #4, failure to appear

5/11: **Henry Lee Tullos III**, 35, Wetumpka, AL, Judge, receiving stolen property u/\$10,000

5/14: **Lisa Ann Childress**, 53, Elizabethtown, KSP - #4, failure to appear

5/13: **Ricky G. Johnson**, 50, Vero Beach FL, Brandenburg Police Department, fugitive (warrant not required)

5/14: **Nicholas Earl Hammond**, 29, Payneville, Judge, contempt of court libel/slander resistance to order

5/12: **Jason Mark Volkov**, 35, Hardinsburg, Judge, contempt of court libel/slander resistance to order



5/15: **Nathaniel Lee Swift**, 30, Guston, KSP #4, alcohol intox in a public place (1st & 2nd offense)

5/13: **Austin Lane Russell**, 23, Guston, Meade County Sheriff's Office, probation violation (for felony offense)

5/16: **Anthony Vaughn Sterling**, 24, Elizabethtown, KSP #4, speeding 15 mph over limit; careless driving; oper mtr vehicle u/infl alc .08 - 1st

5/15: **Nicholas Dale Ryan**, 31, Corydon, IN, Brandenburg Police Department, wanton endangerment-1st degree; criminal mischief-1st degree; criminal mischief-2nd degree

5/14: **Stephen W. Hicks**, 24, Guston, Meade County Sheriff's Office, poss cont sub 1st deg, 1st off (methamphetamine); poss a cont sub; poss of marijuana; drug paraphernalia - buy/possess

5/11: **Matthew W. Davidson**, 35, Louisville, escape 2nd degree-(identify facility); tampering w/prisoner monitoring device; poss cont sub 1st deg 1st off (heroin); poss cont sub 1st deg, 1st off (methamphetamine); tbut or disp all others \$500 or more but u/\$10,000; poss cont sub 1st deg 1st off (heroin)



5/11: **Haylee Brooke Choate**, 25, Brandenburg, Brandenburg Police Department, assault, 4th degree (domestic violence) minor injury

5/12: **Bodacious A. McCullaugh**, 39, Slidell, LA, Brandenburg Police Department, burglary, 1st degree; terroristic threatening, 3rd degree; menacing; theft by deception-include cold checks u/\$500

5/11: **Kaleb O. Willis**, 26, New Liberty, Judge, burglary, 2nd degree; criminal mischief, 1st degree; theft by unlawful taking or disposing - auto; fleeing or evading police, 1st degree (motor vehicle)



5/11: **Kyle Bradley Ford**, 25, Brandenburg, Meade County Sheriff's Office, assault, 4th degree (domestic violence) minor injury

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
Meade County Solar LLC is proposing to develop and construct an approximately 40-mega-watt ground mounted solar photovoltaic electric generating facility on approximately 370 acres to be located along Big Spring Road and Stith Valley Road in Meade County, Kentucky. The proposed Meade County Solar project will consist of solar photovoltaic panels and associated racking, inverters, substation transformer and other necessary equipment to support the project. Meade County Solar LLC is required to file an application for approval to construct and operate the proposed facility. This application is subject to the approval of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting, having the following contact information: P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615, or by telephone at (502) 564-3940.
Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding before the Siting Board may, by written motion filed no later than thirty (30) days after the application has been submitted, request leave to intervene.
A party may, upon written motion filed no later than thirty (30) days after an application has been filed, request the Siting Board to schedule an evidentiary hearing at the offices of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615.
A request that the Siting Board conduct a local public hearing or local public information meeting shall be made by at least three (3) interested persons who reside in the county or municipal corporation in which the facility is proposed to be constructed to consider the application for a construction certificate. The request shall be made in writing and shall be filed no later than thirty (30) days after a complete application is filed.
Any questions related to the application or other aspects of the approval process may be directed to the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615, or by telephone at (502) 564-3940.

NOTICE

CITY OF MULDRAUGH, KENTUCKY
INVITATION TO BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEWER SYSTEM REHABILITATION
RECEIPT OF PROPOSALS
Sealed Bids for the construction of the City of Muldraugh, Kentucky Sewer System Rehabilitation will be received by the City of Muldraugh, at the office of the Muldraugh City Hall, 202 Wendell Street, Muldraugh, Kentucky 40155. Attention: Mayor Joseph E. Noon on or before 10:00 a.m. local time (Eastern Time Zone) on the 9th day of June, 2021, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.
The project will include the following described construction:
The furnishing, installation and testing of approximately 12,300 linear feet of 10-inch and 8-inch gravity sewer; 6,400 linear feet of 8-inch PVC force main; 710 linear feet of 3-inch PVC force main; manhole rehabilitation, manhole replacement, installation of new sewer service lines and cleanouts, reconnection of sewer services, sewer service clean-out assemblies, replacement of existing Highway 31 pump station, installation of sewer service flow meter vaults; unclassified excavation, bypass pumping of existing wastewater flows, soil erosion and sediment control measures, backfill, tie-ins, working in close proximity with other utilities and structures, reconnections, restoration, pavement restoration, and all other appurtenances and other work as shown on the Construction Drawings or indicated in the Contract Specifications.
The attention of the bidders is directed to the General and Supplemental General Conditions of this document, wherein the requirements of compliance with certain Federal Laws and Regulations are set forth including but not limited to the following areas:
1. Equal Employment Opportunity Contract Notice
2. Executive Order 11246 - Nondiscrimination in Employment
3. General Conditions (RUS Bulletin 1780-13, Attachment 9)
4. Supplemental General Conditions (RUS Bulletin 1780-14)
5. Rural Development Administration Project Sign Detail
6. U.S. Department of Labor Wage Rates
7. CDBG General and Supplemental General Conditions
8. CDBG Certification of Bidder Regarding Segregated Facilities
9. CDBG Contractor Plan Format
Minority bidders are encouraged to bid.
Official (numbered) Bid Documents shall be obtained at the office of Water Management Services, LLC; 2 International Plaza, Suite 401; Nashville, Tennessee 37217 (telephone: (615) 366-6088). A nonrefundable deposit of \$150.00 must be made for each set obtained.
The successful bidder shall be required to fully complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents within 360 consecutive calendar days from and including the date to start work established in a written order from the City of Muldraugh, Kentucky.
City of Muldraugh, Kentucky reserves the right to reject any proposal for failure to comply with all requirements of the notice or of any of the Contract Documents; however, it may waive any minor defects or informalities at its discretion. City of Muldraugh, Kentucky further reserves the right to reject all proposals.
Dated at Muldraugh, Kentucky this 19th day of May, 2021.
CITY OF MULDRAUGH, KENTUCKY
BY: Joseph E. Noon, Mayor

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**Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00390
Application – Exhibit 4
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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(d)

A statement certifying that the proposed plant will be in compliance with all local ordinances and regulations concerning noise control and with any local planning and zoning ordinances. The statement shall also disclose setback requirements established by the planning and zoning commission as provided under KRS 278.704(3).

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

The Proposed Project complies with Meade County Ordinance No. 2021-005 ‘Solar Energy Systems’, a copy of which is provided in Exhibit 5 pages 1 through 4 of 11. Pursuant to Ordinance No. 2021-005, the Proposed Project is a Level 3 Solar Energy System (“Level 3 SES”) defined as any system that does not satisfy the parameters for a Level 1 Solar Energy System (a roof-mounted system or a ground-mounted system not more than 1 acre in size) or a Level 2 Solar Energy System (a ground-mounted system not more than 5 acres in size). Setback requirements for a Level 3 SES are: 1) All components of the SES shall be at least fifty (50) feet from the perimeter property lines of the project area and at least two hundred fifty (250) feet from any residential structure, nursing home, church, or school; interconnection facilities may be located within the setback lines; 2) No interior property line setbacks shall be required if the project spans multiple contiguous properties, and; 3) The Planning and Zoning Commission may require more stringent setback lines, to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Meade County Solar certifies that the Project will be in compliance with all local ordinances and regulations, if any, concerning noise control and with Meade County Ordinance No. 2021-005, and all other applicable local planning and zoning ordinances.

A statement from Joel Thomas, Executive Vice President of Community Energy Solar, LLC, which is the Managing Member of Meade County Solar, certifying these facts is attached as Exhibit 4 Attachment.

EXHIBIT 4
ATTACHMENT

**Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00390**

CERTIFICATION REQUIRED BY KRS 278.706(2)(d)

Comes the undersigned, Joel Thomas, and states as follows:

1. That my name is Joel Thomas, and I am Executive Vice President of Community Energy Solar, LLC, which is the Managing Member of Meade County Solar LLC, the Applicant herein.

2. That I am over the age of 18 years of age and am a resident of the State of Pennsylvania.

3. That I have conducted an inquiry into the facts contained in this Statement and believe them to be true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

4. That the proposed facility as planned and to be constructed in Meade County, Kentucky will be in compliance with any and all local ordinances and regulations concerning noise control, and will further be in compliance with any and all local ordinances and regulations relating to planning and zoning as provided in KRS 278.704(3).

5. Under Meade County Ordinance No. 2021-005 ‘Solar Energy Systems’¹, the Proposed Project is a Level 3 Solar Energy System (“Level 3 SES”) defined as any system that does not satisfy the parameters for a Level 1 or Level 2 Solar Energy System. Setback requirements for a Level 3 SES are: 1) All components of the SES shall be at least fifty (50) feet

¹ A complete copy of Meade County Ordinance No. 2021-005 is provided in Exhibit 5.

from the perimeter property lines of the project area and at least two hundred-fifty (250) feet from any residential structure, nursing home, church, or school; interconnection facilities may be located within the setback lines; 2) No interior property line setbacks shall be required if the project spans multiple contiguous properties; and, 3) The Planning and Zoning Commission may require more stringent setback lines, to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Signed this 20th day of May, 2021.



Joel Thomas

Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00390
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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(e)

If the facility is not proposed to be located on a site of a former coal processing plant and the facility will use on-site waste coal as a fuel source or in an area where a planning and zoning commission has established a setback requirement pursuant to KRS 278.704(3), a statement that the exhaust stack of the proposed facility and any wind turbine is at least one thousand (1,000) feet from the property boundary of any adjoining property owner and all proposed structures or facilities used for generation of electricity are two thousand (2,000) feet from any residential neighborhood, school, hospital, or nursing home facility, unless facilities capable of generating ten megawatts (10MW) or more currently exist on the site. If the facility is proposed to be located on a site of a former coal processing plant and the facility will use on-site waste coal as a fuel source, a statement that the proposed site is compatible with the setback requirements provided under KRS 278.704(5). If the facility is proposed to be located in a jurisdiction that has established setback requirements pursuant to KRS 278.704(3), a statement that the proposed site is in compliance with those established setback requirements.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

The Meade County Solar Project is not proposed to be located on the site of a former coal processing plant, nor will it utilize waste coal as a fuel source. The project site also does not have any existing electricity generating facilities. Because the proposed Project is a ground mounted solar photovoltaic electric generating facility it will not contain any exhaust stacks or wind turbines, rendering the 1,000/2,000 setback requirements contained in KRS 278.706(2)(e) for such structures inapplicable to this Application.

The proposed Project complies with the 250-foot Setback Requirements contained in Meade County Ordinance No. 2021-005, ‘Solar Energy Systems’ which is provided as Exhibit 5 Attachment pages 1 through 4 of 11.

For additional reference to the relative proximity of the proposed Project to adjoining property boundaries, residences, and other buildings and structures, see the Site Plan provided on pages 5 through 11 of Exhibit 5 Attachment.

EXHIBIT 5
ATTACHMENT

MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT
ORDINANCE: 2021-005

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 920.00 THE MEADE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE PASSED AND ADOPTED DECEMBER 29, 1997 WHICH BECAME EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 1998 TO ADD SECTION 4.3.7. SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, the Meade County Fiscal Court has determined it to be in the public interest to amend Ordinance No. 920.00. The Meade County Zoning Ordinance, so as to add Section 4.3.7. regulating Solar Energy Systems;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT THAT THE FOLLOWING WILL BE ADDED SECTION 4.3.7: Additions will be underlined and deletions will be identified by strikethrough.

4.3.7. Solar Energy Systems (SES) –

4.3.7.1. Permitted – Level 1 Solar Energy Systems that comply with the requirements of the Section 4.3.7. shall be allowed in all zoning districts. Level 2 and 3 SES, as set forth below, shall be a conditional use in all Agricultural or Commercial/Heavy Industrial Zones. Those seeking a permit for Level 3 SES must be granted approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission, with final approval by a majority vote of Meade County Fiscal Court.

4.3.7.2. Design Standards - A Solar Energy System (SES) is the components and subsystems required to convert solar energy into electric energy suitable for use or placement on the electrical grid, including transmission lines, transformers and substations. The area of the system includes all the land inside the perimeter of the system, which extends to any fencing, and areas required to connect to the electrical grid, including transmission lines, transformers and substations. For the purposes of these zoning regulations, solar energy systems are divided into three (3) classes.

4.3.7.2.a. Level 1 Solar Energy System - A roof mounted system on any code compliant structure or any ground mounted system on an area of up to fifty (50) percent of the footprint of the primary structure on the parcel but not more than one (1) acre and not more than twenty-five (25) feet tall or any building integrated system (i.e. shingle, hanging solar, canopy, etc.)

4.3.7.2.b. Level 2 Solar Energy System - Any ground mounted system not included in a Level 1 SES and meets the following area restrictions:

- (1) The area of the SES shall not exceed five (5) acres in size.**
- (2) An SES of any size up to five (5) acres shall require a site plan approved by the staff of the Meade County Planning and Zoning Office.**

4.3.7.2.c. Level 3 Solar Energy System - Any system that does not satisfy the parameters for a Level 1 or Level 2 SES. Each Level 3 SES shall require a site plan approved by the Meade County Planning and Zoning Commission.

4.3.7.3. Requirements - Solar Energy Systems (SES) shall comply with the following criteria:

4.3.7.3.a. The height of any ground mounted SES shall not exceed twenty-five (25) feet as measured from the highest natural grade below each solar panel (excludes utility poles, substations and antennas constructed for the project).

4.3.7.3.b. Setback requirements for Level 1 and Level 2 SES shall be in compliance with the zoning classification for the parcel.

4.3.7.3.c. Setback requirements for Level 3 SES shall be as follows:

- (1) All components of the SES shall be at least fifty (50) feet from the perimeter property lines of the project area and at least two hundred fifty (250) feet from any residential structure, nursing home, church, or school: interconnection facilities may be located within the setback lines, and
- (2) No interior property line setbacks shall be required if the project spans multiple contiguous properties.
- (3) The Planning and Zoning Commission may require more stringent setback lines, to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

4.3.7.3.d. All Level 3 SES shall be screened with a seven (7) foot tall fence and, to the extent reasonably practicable, a visual buffer that provides reasonable screening to reduce the view of the SES from residential dwelling units on adjacent lots (including those lots located across a public right of way). A vegetation screening plan to reduce the view of the SES from residential dwelling units on adjacent lots will be submitted as part of the site plan for approval of the Meade County Planning Commission. The existing natural tree growth and natural land forms along the SES perimeter may create a sufficient buffer and shall be preserved when reasonably practicable. When no alternative vegetation screening plan is approved by the Meade County Planning Commission, a double row of staggered evergreen trees will be planted 15' on center from adjacent non participating residential dwellings including the outdoor living space immediately near residential dwellings. Parcel boundaries with no proximity to residential dwellings shall not require screening. The proposed evergreen trees shall be placed on the exterior of security fencing. The use of barbed wire or sharp pointed fences shall be prohibited in or along any boundary adjoining residential properties. The Meade County Planning Commission may require additional screening and/or visual buffers on a case-by-case basis.

4.3.7.3.e. There shall be no signs permitted except those displaying emergency information, owner contact information, warning or safety instructions or signs that are required by a federal, state or local agency. Such signs shall not exceed five (5) square feet in area.

4.3.7.3.f. Excessive lighting shall be prohibited except that required by federal or state regulations.

4.3.7.3.g. The total number of acres in the unincorporated areas of the county which are permitted to allow Level 3 SES shall be limited to ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (1,200) acres. No permits shall be authorized once the total number of permitted acres have been allotted.

4.3.7.3.h. Upon application to the Planning and Zoning Commission, a Level 3 SES shall provide a soil erosion plan. A Level 3 SES shall comply with all existing federal, state, and local environmental restrictions.

4.3.7.3.i. Decommissioning of Level 3 SES shall be as follows:

(1) The developer shall post a Surety Bond or other form of Security acceptable to the County, for the abandonment of the site and in the event the Commission must remove the facility. Abandonment shall be when the SES ceases to transfer energy on a continuous basis for twelve (12) months. The surety bond or other form or security shall be one hundred (100) percent of a reasonable estimate submitted for the decommissioning of the project to be re-calculated every five (5) years during the project life. The cost of decommissioning will include a reasonable reduction for the scrap value of the components left on the property.

(2) A decommissioning plan shall be submitted at the time of application by the developer responsible for decommissioning and must include the following:

(a) Defined conditions upon which the decommissioning will be initiated. i.e. there has been no power production for twelve (12) months, the land lease has ended, or succession of use of abandoned facility, etc..

(b) Removal of all non-utility owned equipment, conduit, structures, fencing, roads, and foundations to the depth of three (3) feet.

(c) Restoration of the property to substantially similar physical condition that existed immediately prior to construction of the SES.

(d) The time frame for completion of decommissioning activities.

(e) The party currently responsible for decommissioning, and

(f) Plans for updating the decommissioning plan.

6.1.1. Building and Electrical Fees

Construction/Building Permit Fees	FEE CHARGED
Solar Energy Systems- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 1-Roof Mounted System • Level 1 or 2-Ground Mounted System (Less than 5 acres) • Level 3-Solar Farm (5 or more acres) 	\$75 \$100 \$250

6.1.2. Zoning Administration Fees

Zoning Administration Fees	FEE CHARGED
Solar Energy Systems- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 3-Solar Farm (5 or more acres)(Fee includes Application Review Only) 	\$1,000 + \$2/Acre

This Ordinance shall repeal and replace Ordinance No. 2020-02.

Given a first reading on the 13th day of April, 2021.

Approved by a majority vote of the Meade County Fiscal Court this 11th day of May, 2021.

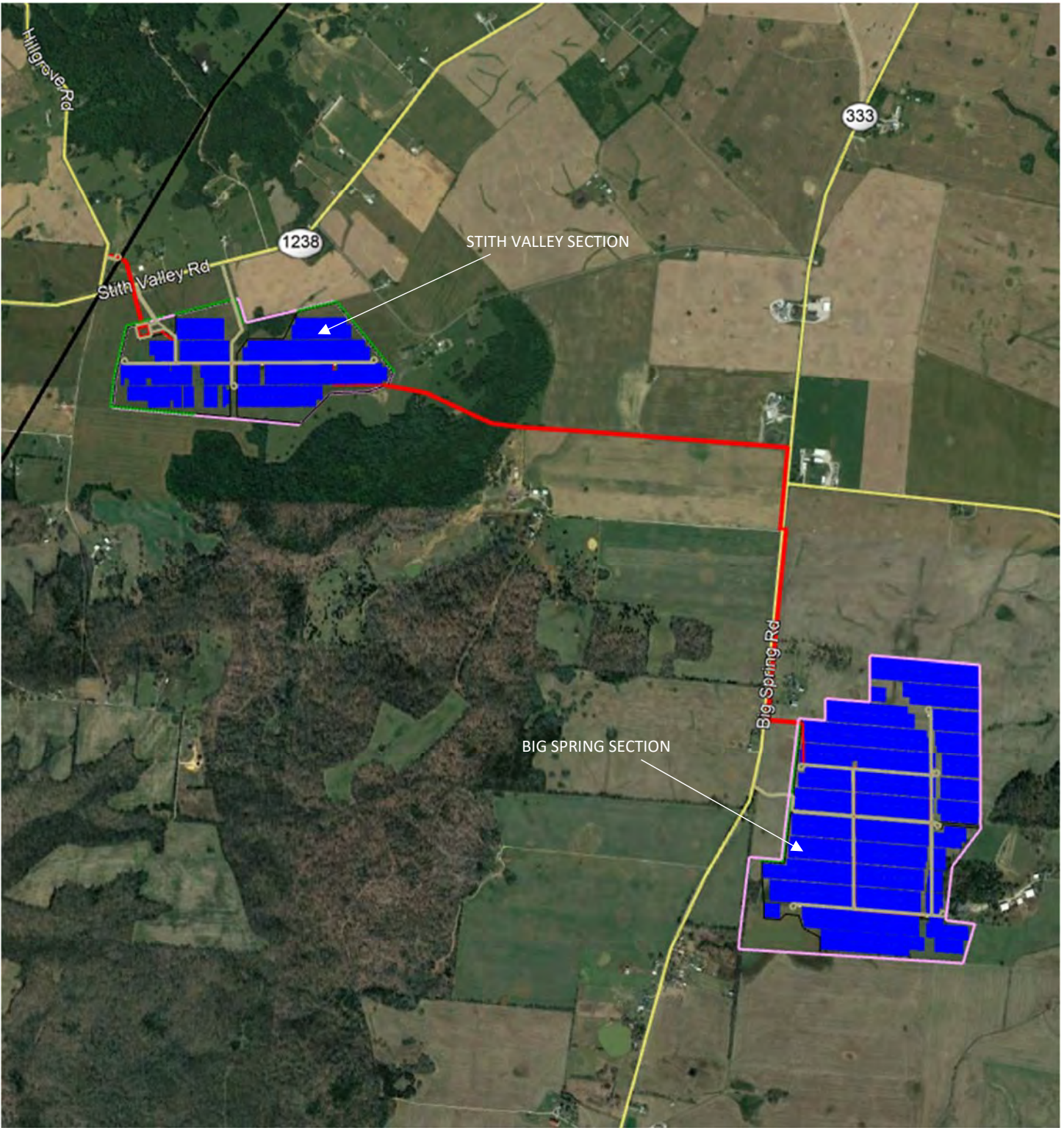






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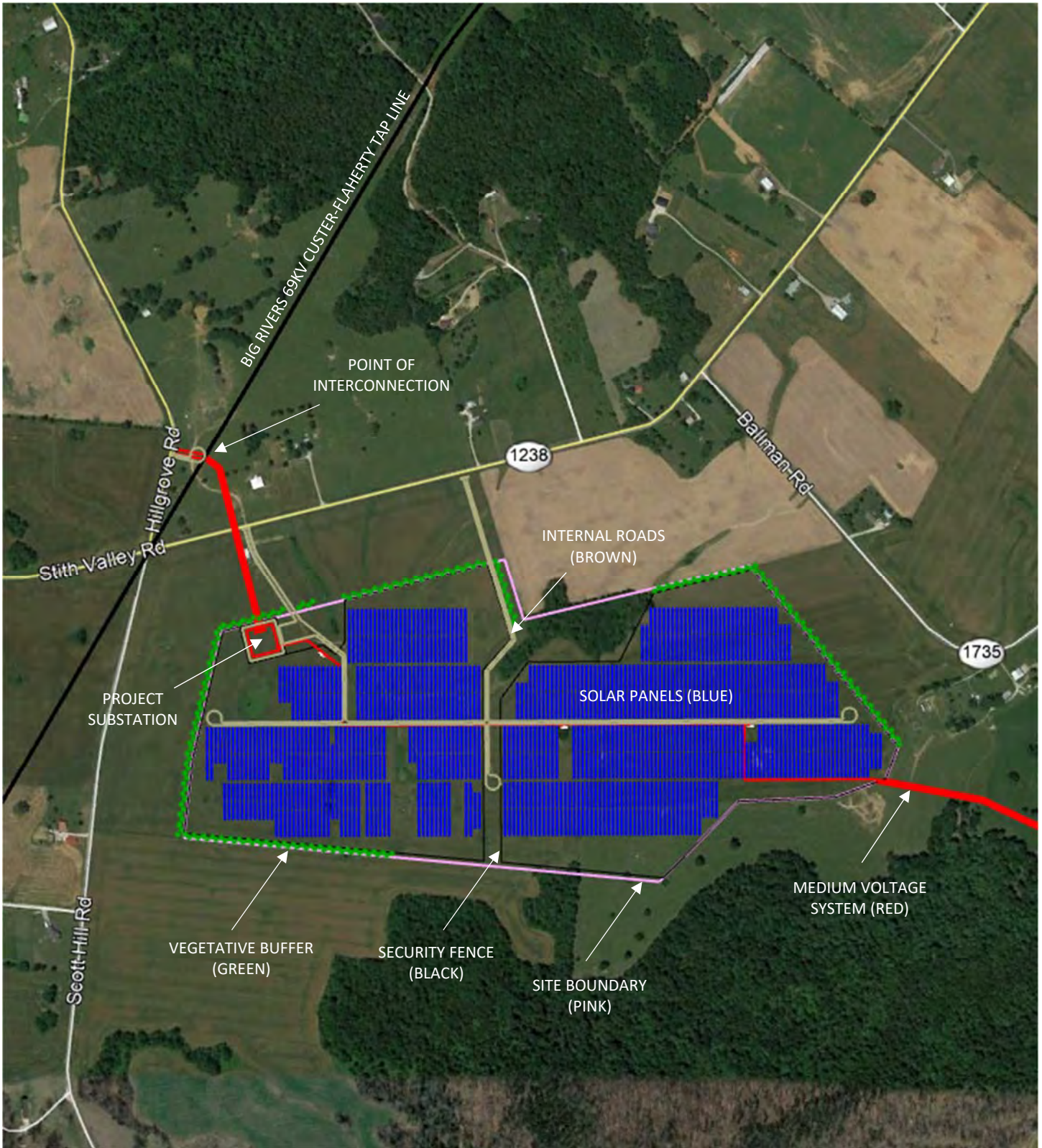
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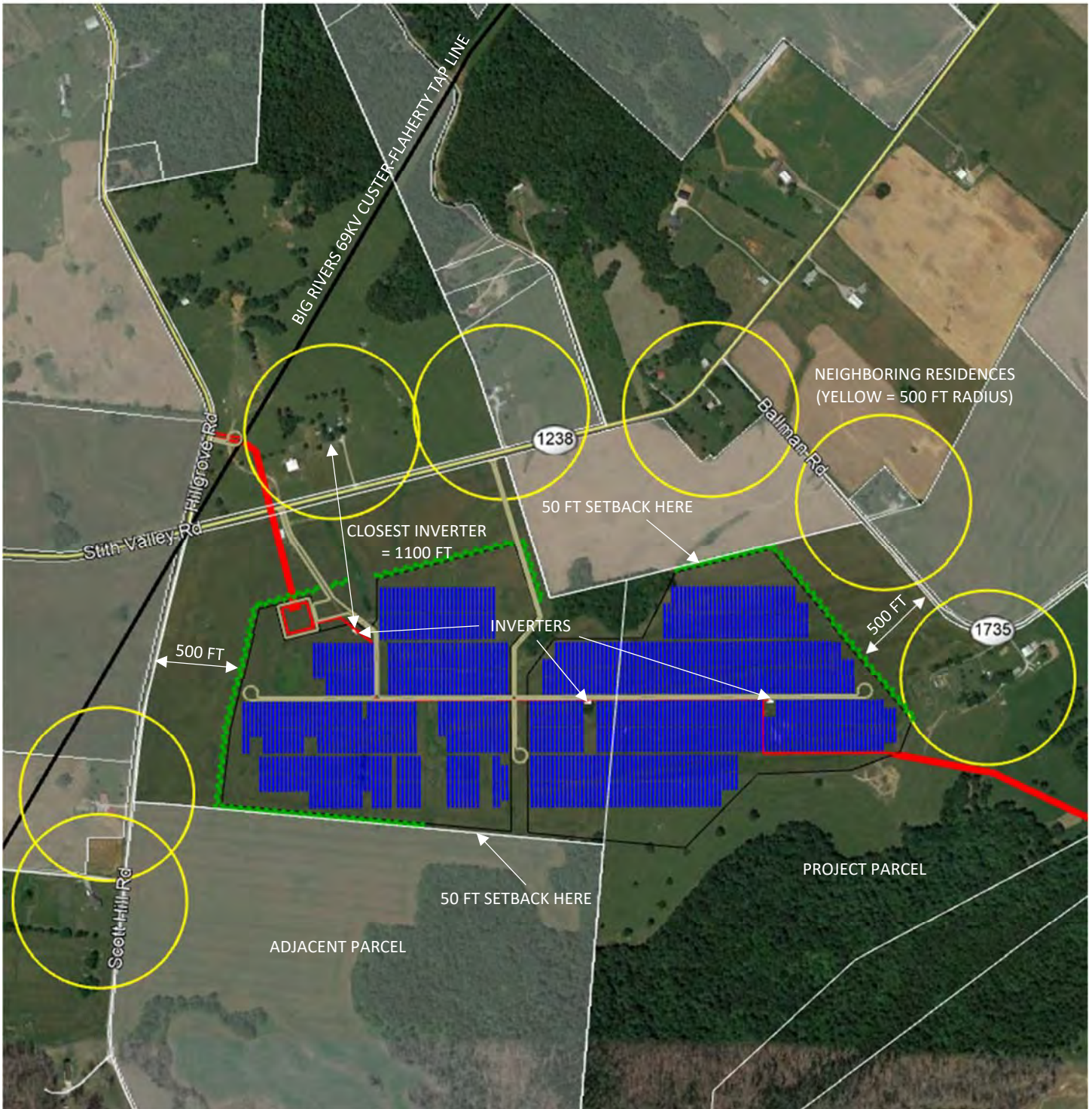
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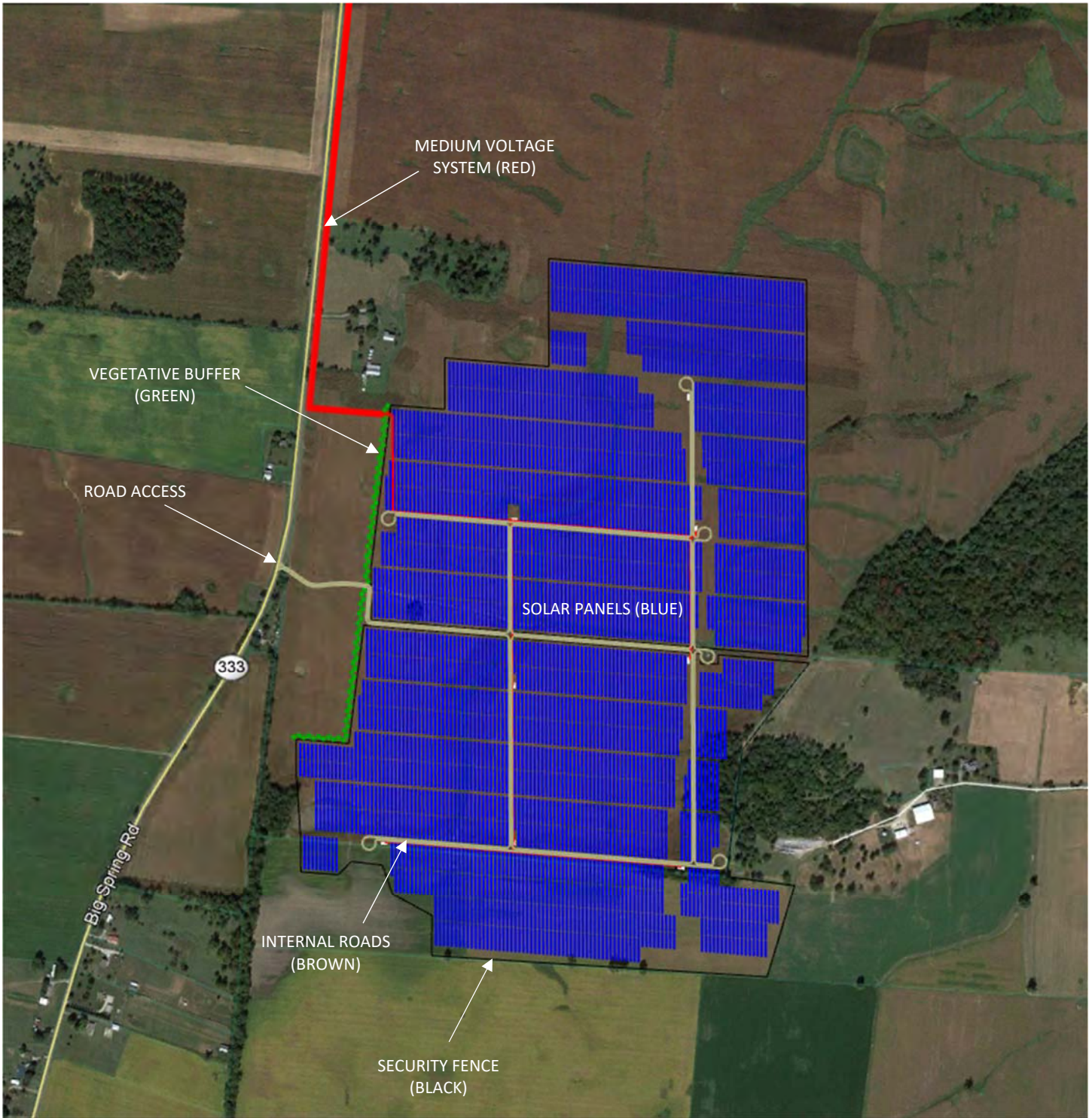
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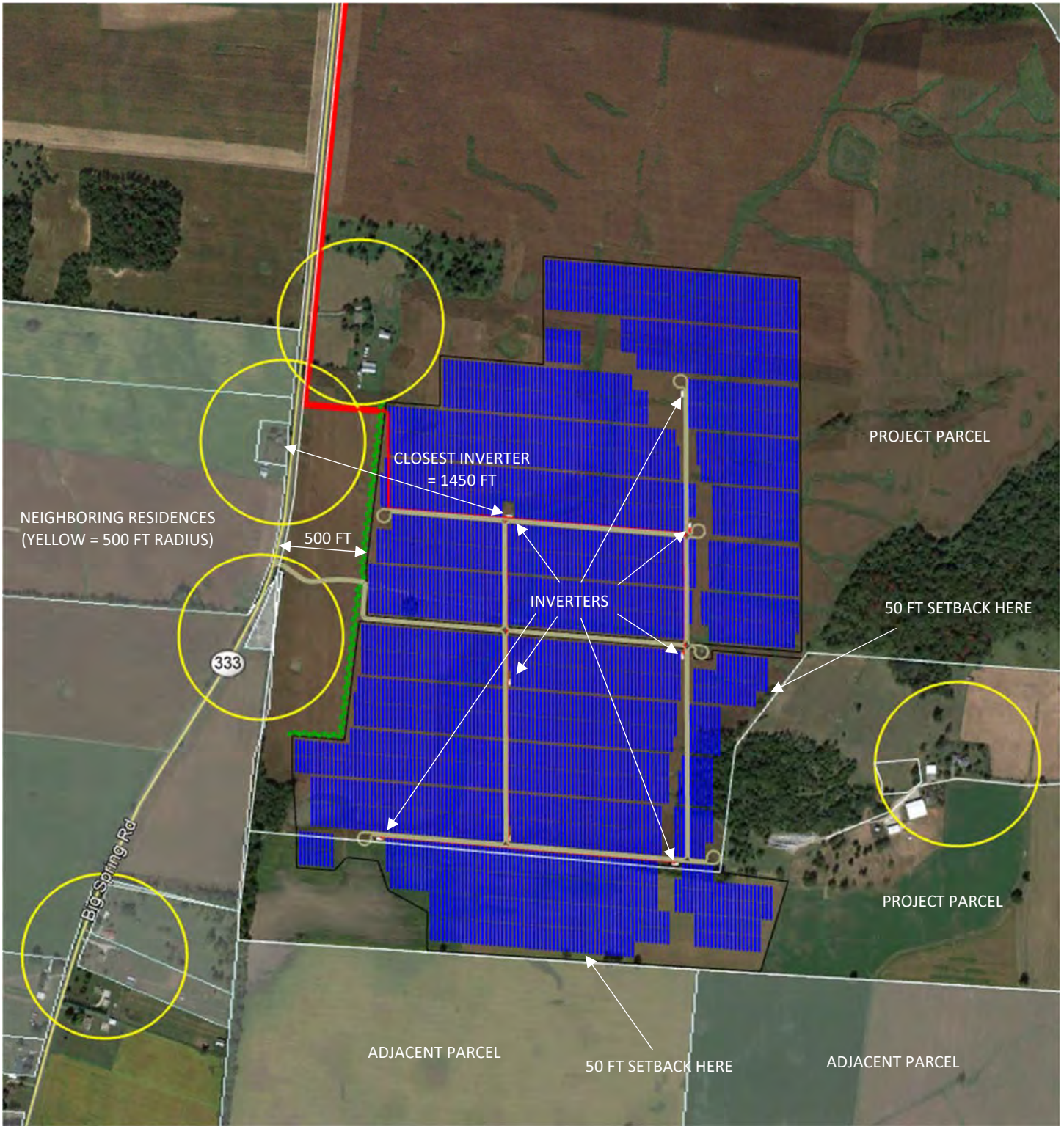
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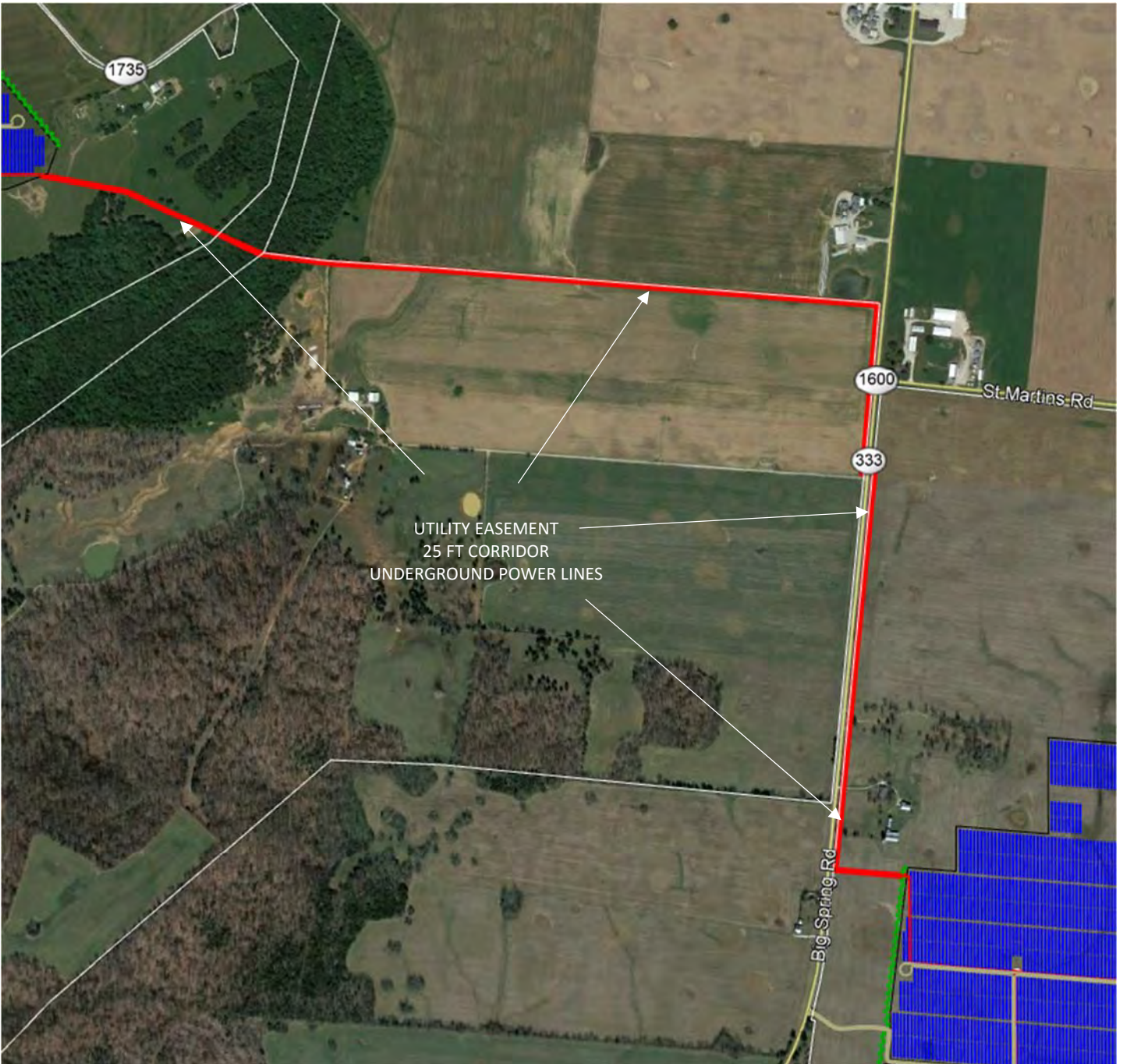
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**SITE PLAN
POINT OF INTERCONNECTION**

**Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00390
Application – Exhibit 6
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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(f)

A complete report of the applicant's public involvement program activities undertaken prior to the filing of the application, including: 1. The scheduling and conducting of a public meeting in the county or counties in which the proposed facility will be constructed at least ninety (90) days prior to the filing of an application, for the purpose of informing the public of the project being considered and receiving comment on it; 2. Evidence that notice of the time, subject, and location of the meeting was published in the newspaper of general circulation in the county, and that individual notice was mailed to all owners of property adjoining the proposed project at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting; and 3. Any use of media coverage, direct mailing, fliers, newsletters, additional public meetings, establishment of a community advisory group, and any other efforts to obtain local involvement in the siting process

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

Pursuant to the Order of the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting in Case No. 2020-00390 dated January 6, 2021, the Applicant conducted the following Public Involvement Activities which fulfilled the statutory requirement for a public meeting in the county in which the proposed facility will be constructed at least ninety (90) days prior to the filing of the application, for the purpose of informing the public of the project and receiving comment:

Project Website

On January 14, 2021 the Applicant launched a Project Website, accessible to the public, containing the following key information:

- An introduction of Community Energy, Inc., and a link to obtaining more information about the company;
- A PowerPoint presentation providing general information on the Meade County Solar Project;
- The date, time, and location of In-Person Office Hours for dissemination of relevant information to the public regarding the solar project;
- The date, time, and other details of a subsequent Virtual Public Information Meeting;
- A map showing the solar project area, facility layout, aerial imagery, and parcel information for all participating properties in Meade County;
- Information pertaining to state and county permitting processes;

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- Contact information and instructions for submitting questions and comments regarding the solar project;
- A summary of frequently asked questions and responses; and
- Instructions on how to request more information, including paper copies of the PowerPoint presentation.

The address of the Project Website is: <https://www.communityenergyinc.com/meadecountysolar>

A screen shot of the website, the frequently asked questions and PowerPoint presentation are attached as Exhibit 6 Attachment 6.1.

In-Person Office Hours

On January 14, 2021, the Applicant published notice on the Project Website, and sent letters to thirty-five (35) adjacent landowners and eight (8) current and former Meade County officials, providing information about specific hours for in-person discussion opportunities in the Meade County area, for the purpose of providing any member of the public an opportunity to ask questions about the solar project and obtain further information.

On Thursday January 28, 2021 from 7:00am – 9:00pm Eastern Time (ET) and on Friday January 29, 2021 from 7:00am – 9:00pm ET the Applicant conducted the In-Person Office Hours at the Holiday Inn Express Radcliff – Fort Knox, 30 Bourbon St., Radcliff, KY 40160.

Five (5) interested parties attended the In-Person Office Hours:

- On Thursday, January 28, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met with Phyllis and Sonny Ballman. The meeting was conducted at a workshop on the Ballman’s property. The Ballman’s property is adjacent to the proposed project site and is also where the Ballmans reside. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Of particular interest to the Ballmans is the location and visibility of the project substation, which was discussed. At the conclusion of the meeting, Mrs. Ballman expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to meet, and for the information provided. Mr. Ballman expressed that he is in favor of the project.
- On Thursday, January 28, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met with Patricia Ditto and her son Doug. The meeting was conducted at a workshop on the property of their neighbors Phyllis and Sonny Ballman. The Ditto’s property is adjacent to the proposed project site and is also where Mrs. Ditto resides. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Of particular interest to Mrs. Ditto was confirmation that no solar panels or other equipment would be installed on her side of the property line Mrs. Ditto shares with the proposed project site. Upon confirmation that no equipment would be installed on her property, Mrs.

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Ditto seemed satisfied. Her son Doug expressed opposition to the project due to its effect on the viewshed in the area, and its displacement of farmland.

- On Friday January 29, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met with Robby Lee. Mr. Lee is the owner of land nearby (but not adjacent to) the project site, where he also resides. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Of particular concern to Mr. Lee is the potential view of the project from his residence, which is situated partway up a nearby hill. Mr. Lee is concerned that the view of the proposed solar farm will hurt his property value. The Applicant agreed to explore the issue and consider potential steps that can be taken to mitigate Mr. Lee's concerns.
- On Friday January 29, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met with Matt Hicks. Mr. Hicks is the owner of undeveloped land adjacent to the proposed project site. He is also the son of Tracy and Glenn Scovill, who own and reside at property adjacent to the proposed project site. Mr. Hicks was representing the Scovills in their absence. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Mr. Hicks stated he is not opposed to the project. He inquired as to the Applicant's interest in leasing some of the land he owns adjacent to the project.
- On Friday January 29, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met with Darlene and Dale Ross. Mr. and Mrs. Ross are the owners of land nearby (but not adjacent to) the project site, where they also reside. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Mr. Ross, who is in the trucking business, inquired as to opportunities to provide hauling and materials during the construction of the project.

Virtual Public Information Meeting

On January 14, 2021, the Applicant published notice on the Project Website, and sent letters to all adjacent landowners, providing information about a live presentation of the solar project with a question-and-answer session, accessible to the public either by the internet or by telephone.

On January 14, 2021, the Applicant published notice in the *Meade County Messenger* (the "*Messenger*"), providing information about a live presentation of the solar project with a question-and-answer session, accessible to the public either by the internet or by telephone.

On Thursday February 4, from 7:00pm – 8:30pm Eastern Time (ET) the Applicant conducted a Virtual Public Information Meeting featuring a presentation of the Proposed Project from Meade County Solar representatives, and providing an opportunity for the public to ask any questions related to the solar project. The meeting was conducted on a web-based platform accessible to the public and capable of hosting up to 1,000 participants, and the meeting was accessible by telephone. The individuals present at the public meeting representing Meade County Solar available to answer questions from attendees included:

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- Chris Killenberg, Regional Development Director, Community Energy Solar, LLC
- Rich C Kirkland, Jr., MAI, Kirkland Appraisals, LLC
- Marty Marchaterre, Senior Environmental Planner, Copperhead Environmental Consulting, Inc.

Eleven (11) interested parties attended the Virtual Public Information Meeting. Of these attendees, seven (7) attendees are landowners and family of landowners leasing land for the project, one (1) attendee is an attorney representing Big Rivers Electric Corporation, one (1) attendee is a reporter for the *Meade County Messenger*, and two (2) attendees appear to be from the general public. A recording of the Virtual Public Information Meeting is accessible via the Project Website at <https://www.communityenergyinc.com/meadecountysolar>.

Notices

Notice of the time, subject, and location of the In-Person Office Hours held on January 28 and 29, 2021, and the Virtual Public Information Meeting conducted on February 4, 2021, as well as the web address of the project website, was mailed to all owners of property adjoining the proposed project on January 14, 2021 and was published in the *Messenger* on January 14, 2021.

A copy of the template notice that was mailed to all thirty-five (35) adjacent landowners on January 14, 2021, along with a list of all adjacent landowners and addresses to which the notice was sent, is provided in Exhibit 6 Attachment 6.2.

The Affidavit of Publication, including the text of the notice that was published in the *Messenger*, is provided in Exhibit 6 Attachment 6.3.

Media Coverage

On October 22, 2020, the *Messenger* published an article titled “Solar farms are coming to town.” The article reported that two solar farms are in development in Meade County. It did not identify the Applicant specifically, but identified the approximate location of the Applicant’s proposed project as “southern Meade County along the Big Springs corridor.” The article referenced “strong opinions... forming on both sides.” Opponent concerns include environmental issues, local winds and tornadoes, sinkholes, and the effect on the viewshed. Proponents reference the economic opportunity for landowners. The *Messenger* promised continued coverage of the issues.

On February 11, 2021, the *Messenger* published an article titled “Meade County cornfields projected to sprout solar panels in 2022.” The article reported the details of the Applicant’s proposed project including the size of the project, the Applicant’s name, the proposed facility’s capacity and annual electricity production, and the contract to sell the output exclusively to Big Rivers Electric Corporation (“Big Rivers”). The article referenced that both solar developers in Meade County are “working their way through the final requirements and approvals they must complete to begin work on the sites.” The reporter raised a number of questions about the effect

of solar development on land use, pollution, property values, and the risks and benefits to Meade County that the *Messenger* plans to explore through an investigative series.

On February 18, 2021, the *Messenger* published an article titled “Solar farms: Why Meade County?” The article quoted the press releases issued in May 2020 by the Applicant and by Big Rivers announcing the power purchase agreement under which the Applicant will sell the renewable energy produced by the proposed facility to Big Rivers. The article also quoted statements made by Big Rivers in an article in the Henderson, Kentucky *Gleaner* indicating that Big Rivers’ interest in solar is driven in part by demand for renewable energy from major industries such as Nucor Steel, a company that is constructing a steel plant in Meade County. The article reported concerns expressed by a Meade County Magistrate about potential proliferation of solar development in Meade County, and the possibility that the County would halt further development of more solar farms.

On February 25, 2021, the *Messenger* published an article titled “Solar farms: Community Energy and Meade County Solar.” The article focused on the Applicant’s proposed project, including the Applicant’s proposed setbacks which exceed those required of Meade County’s Solar Ordinance. The reporter questioned whether the Solar Ordinance was adequate in its requirements for setbacks and visual screening. The article also outlined the required state and county permitting processes. The article referenced a question about hazardous materials asked by the reporter during the Virtual Public Information Meeting, and the answer provided by Chris Killenberg. The article also listed some of the environmental studies of the proposed project site conducted by the Applicant.

On March 4, 2021, the *Messenger* published an article titled “Solar farms: Community Energy and Meade County Solar – Part Two.” The article recapped some of the issues discussed in the Virtual Public Meeting including the proposed project’s potential effect on property values, the timing of construction, the anticipated employment associated with construction and operations, and outsourcing of certain trades to local providers. The article referenced a question asked by the reporter during the Virtual Public Information Meeting about the cost of the facility, and whether any costs would be borne by the citizens of Meade County, including any tax breaks. In response to the Applicant’s answer that the costs would be borne by a private investor, and that no money will be required from the citizens of Meade County, the reporter noted that similar claims had been made in association with another large investment in the community.

On March 18, 2021, the *Messenger* published an article titled “Fiscal Court repeals solar ordinance, funds History Museum at March meeting.” The article recapped the events of the March 9, 2021 regular monthly meeting of the Meade County Fiscal Court including a discussion of the County’s solar ordinance. After determining that the solar ordinance was not restrictive enough, the Fiscal Court voted to repeal the ordinance and draft another, more restrictive ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

On April 22, 2021, the *Messenger* published a staff editorial titled “An uncompromising court may land Meade County in another lawsuit and trample the Constitution in the process.” The editorial questioned the fairness of repealing the solar ordinance that solar developers had planned around,

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and which had been unanimously approved by the same Fiscal Court last year (with the exception of the newly-appointed Judge-Executive). It also warned against government overreach on private landowners' rights, and the risk that the Fiscal Court's actions may open the County up to a lawsuit.

On April 29, 2021, the *Messenger* published an article titled "Is the county picking and choosing?" The article noted that the first reading of Meade County Fiscal Court's attempt to rewrite the County's solar ordinance was met by charges of hypocrisy by solar proponents. The new solar ordinance would require an enhanced setback from public roads, described as a safety measure for motorists, which is not required of any other businesses in the County.

On May 20, 2021, the *Messenger* published an article titled "Fiscal Court approves new solar rules." The article recapped the events of the May 11, 2021 regular monthly meeting of the Meade County Fiscal Court at which the Fiscal Court voted to approve the updated solar ordinance. The article referenced the Applicant, who was represented at the meeting and expressed support for the updated ordinance. The Fiscal Court voted unanimously to approve the new solar ordinance.

A copy of the articles published in the *Messenger* that reference the Applicant's proposed project is provided in Exhibit 6 Attachment 6.4.

Follow-Up Calls to Adjacent Landowner Mailing

On January 14, 2021, the Applicant mailed to thirty-five (35) adjacent landowners a package which included a site map, details about the project, the project website address, and details about opportunities to participate in the In-Person Office Hours and Virtual Public Information Meeting.

Between January 20th and February 3rd, 2021, Chris Amsbary, representing the Applicant, called the subset of eight (8) landowners who own or reside in residences adjacent to the project site (as opposed to owners of undeveloped land). Chris Amsbary reached five (5) of these landowners (or, in one case, reached a family member). The other two (3) landowners not reached were called multiple times and two voicemails were left for each landowner.

Of the five (5) follow-up calls:

- Three (3) calls (Scovill, Ballman, Ditto) resulting in the scheduling of an in-person meeting with Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant.
- One (1) call (Fowler) resulted in a discussion with the landowner, questions and answers, and a decision by the landowner not to schedule a subsequent in-person meeting with a representative of the Applicant.
- One (1) call (Clarkson) resulted in contact with a family member of the landowner who indicated the landowner did not want to meet.

A list of the eight (8) adjacent residing landowners who received follow-up calls from the Applicant is provided in Exhibit 6 Attachment 6.5.

Private Meetings or Conversations with Adjacent Landowners

Douglas Kasey

- On March 12, 2020, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, spoke with Douglas Kasey by telephone. Mr. Kasey is the owner of undeveloped land adjacent to the proposed project site. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. The discussion centered on whether Mr. Kasey would be willing to include the undeveloped land he owns in due diligence investigations for inclusion in the project footprint. Mr. Kasey expressed he had no interest in including his land at that time.

Tommy and Annette Hobbs

- On September 17, 2020, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met in person with Tommy and Annette Hobbs at their farm and residence which is adjacent to the proposed project site. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. The discussion centered on whether Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs would be willing to include a portion of their land in due diligence investigations for inclusion in the project footprint for either the installation of solar panels or for a utility easement. Subsequent to the in-person meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs chose not to include their land in the project.

Ballman Farm Partnership

- On September 17, 2020, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met in person with members of the Ballman family, at their farm - which includes a residence – adjacent to the proposed project site. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. The discussion centered on whether the Ballmans would be willing to sell the farm for inclusion in the project footprint. Subsequent to the in-person meeting, negotiations around a purchase price were not successful and the Applicant decided not to move forward with a purchase.

Dan Clarkson

- On October 21, 2020, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met in person with Mr. Dan Hardaway at his residence which is nearby (but not adjacent to) the proposed project site. Mr. Hardaway is also the owner of undeveloped land adjacent to the proposed project site. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. The discussion centered on whether Mr. Hardaway would be willing to include the undeveloped land he owns in due diligence investigations for inclusion in the project footprint. Subsequent to the in-person meeting, Mr. Hardaway chose not to include his land in the project.

Ryan Hager

- On October 21, 2020, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met in person with Ryan Hager at Mr. Hager's grain elevator. Mr. Hager is the owner of undeveloped land adjacent to the proposed project site and is also the tenant farmer for one of the tracts

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- of land proposed to be included in the project site (owned by the Hamilton family). An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Mr. Hager expressed his concerns about losing land that he's currently farming to the proposed project. He also expressed concerns about the project's effect on the local viewshed. Subsequent to this in-person meeting, and in consultation with the Hamilton family, the Applicant modified the proposed footprint of the project, eliminating the most highly-visible portion of the Hamilton Farm from inclusion in the project, and enhancing the setbacks of the facility from all public roads.
- On May 24, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met in person with Ryan Hager at the business office for Mr. Hager's farming operations. Mr. Hager is the owner of undeveloped land adjacent to the proposed project site. An update of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Mr. Hager expressed his concerns about the setback between the proposed facility and his adjacent undeveloped land. Upon further review of the current site plan, Mr. Hager seemed satisfied that the setbacks were greater than he had understood them to be. Mr. Hager also expressed his concerns around the potentially adverse effect of the proposed project on the value of his adjacent land. The Applicant pledged to explore ways in which any such adverse effect might be mitigated. The Applicant also agreed to avoid positioning of any vegetative screening immediately along the shared property line between Mr. Hager's land and the project site, and agreed to avoid the use of certain invasive groundcovers post-construction.

Helen Hager

- On February 11, 2021, the Applicant received a letter from Mrs. Helen Hager, whose residence is adjacent to the proposed project site. Mrs. Hager expressed her concerns in regard to the effect of the proposed project on her viewshed and the value of her property.
- On February 16, 2021, the Applicant sent a letter to Mrs. Hager, acknowledging her concerns and outlining the steps that have been taken to mitigate the effect on the viewshed, including the enhancement of the setback of the proposed facility from her residence.
- On February 22, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, had a phone call with Mrs. Hager. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. At the completion of the call, Mrs. Hager seemed less concerned about the project.

Private Meetings or Conversations with Nearby Landowners

Straney Family

- On February 19, 2020, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met with Mr. Ethan Straney and his family at the equipment garage at Mr. Straney's farm. The Straney's own undeveloped land which is nearby (but not adjacent to) the proposed project site. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. The discussion centered on whether the Straneys would be willing to include

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a portion of their land in due diligence investigations for inclusion in the project footprint. Subsequent to the in-person meeting, the Straneys chose not to include their land in the project.

Larry Edelin

- On March 5, 2020, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, met with Mr. Larry Edelin at his residence which is nearby (but not adjacent to) the proposed project site. Mr. Edelin is also the owner of undeveloped land in the area. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. The discussion centered on whether Mr. Edelin would be willing to include a portion of his land in due diligence investigations for inclusion in the project footprint for either the installation of solar panels or for a utility easement. Subsequent to the in-person meeting, Mr. Edelin chose not to include his land in the project.

Outreach to Public Officials

On January 14, 2021, the Applicant published notice on the Project Website, and sent letters to thirty-five (35) adjacent landowners and seven (7) Meade County officials, providing information about specific hours for in-person discussion opportunities in the Meade County area, for the purpose of providing any member of the public an opportunity to ask questions about the solar project and obtain further information.

The list of the eight (8) current and former Meade County officials who received the January 14, 2021 letter from the Applicant is provided in Exhibit 6 Attachment 6.6.

Private Meetings or Conversations between the Applicant and Public Officials included:

- On April 16, 2020, the Applicant had an introductory call with Karen Goodin, Planning and Zoning Administrator for Meade County, Kentucky. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and questions were answered. Further discussion focused on the need for a solar ordinance in Meade County. Ms. Goodin outlined the steps that would be required for a solar ordinance to be drafted and adopted.
- On September 17, 2020, the Applicant met in person with Karen Goodin, Planning and Zoning Administrator for Meade County, Kentucky. Further details of the project and the Meade County permitting process were discussed.
- Between April 2020 and May 2021, the Applicant has had multiple telephone and email interactions with Karen Goodin, Planning and Zoning Administrator for Meade County, Kentucky around details of the project, the permitting process, and questions asked of Ms. Goodin by Meade County officials and the general public.
- On October 6, 2020, the Applicant met in person with Leslie Stith, Judge-Executive of Meade County, Kentucky. An overview of the proposed project was provided, and

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questions were answered. Further discussion focused on the need for a solar ordinance in Meade County, and the related permitting process. Subsequent to the meeting, the Applicant has had multiple telephone and email interactions with Judge Stith around details of the project, the permitting process, and questions asked of Judge Stith by Meade County officials and the general public.

- On May 11, 2021, the Applicant spoke in person with Billy Sipes, Magistrate of the Meade County Fiscal Court, following the Fiscal Court's regular monthly meeting at which the new Meade County solar ordinance was adopted. The Applicant answered some questions about the project and offered availability to Esquire Sipes and his constituents should any further questions arise.
- On May 13, 2021, the Applicant had an introductory telephone call with Guy Garcia, Chairman of the Meade County Planning Commission. Also on the call was Karen Goodin, Planning and Zoning Administrator for Meade County. Questions were asked and answered around issues related to the Conditional Use Permit processes the Applicant has experienced in other jurisdictions.

Attendance at Public Meetings

- On May 11, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, attended the regular monthly meeting of the Meade County Fiscal Court. Mr. Killenberg responded to a question from Judge-Executive Leslie Stith, indicating the Applicant's support for the draft of the new Meade County solar ordinance, which was under discussion and scheduled for a vote at that meeting.
- On May 18, 2021, Chris Killenberg, representing the Applicant, addressed by telephone a working session of the Meade County Planning Commission. Mr. Killenberg answered questions posed by the Planning Commission related to details of the Applicant's proposed project and Mr. Killenberg's prior experience with the Conditional Use Permit process for solar projects in other jurisdictions.

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Meade County Solar



Meade County's Clean Energy Future

In May 2020, Community Energy and Big Rivers Electric Corporation announced an agreement for the supply of 100 megawatts of new solar power to Big Rivers' energy portfolio for the benefit of their Member-Owners. Forty megawatts (40MW) will be generated and delivered to Big Rivers' transmission system by a new solar farm under development by Community Energy in Meade County, Kentucky. 'Meade County Solar' is scheduled to be constructed and commence operations in 2022.

Yours truly,



Contact Us

You're Invited

Community Energy is conducting two public information events designed to provide an opportunity for you to learn about the project, ask questions, and provide comments.

In-Person Office Hours:

We're hosting in-person "office hours" in Radcliff, KY to provide interested parties with a one-on-one opportunity to seek more information. These meetings will be held in a large conference room, limited to one individual or one family at a time. Face masks and social distancing will be required.

The In-Person Office Hours will be held at the Holiday Inn Express Radcliff – Fort Knox, 30 Bourbon St., Radcliff, KY 40160 (at the intersection of Joe Prather Hwy and Dixie Blvd). The dates and available times are:

Thursday — January 28, 2021 from 7:00am – 9:00pm Eastern Time (ET)

Friday — January 29, 2021 from 7:00am – 9:00pm Eastern Time (ET)

To accommodate as many interested parties as possible, the individual/family meetings will be limited to one hour. To sign up for a 1-hour block, please send us an email at meadecountysolar@communityenergyinc.com, or call our toll-free number at (866) 946-3123.

Virtual Public Information Meeting:

We will hold a live web-based presentation of the project, followed by a live question-and-answer session. The live presentation will be also be accessible by telephone. The presentation will be recorded, and available afterward on this website.

The Virtual Public Information Meeting will be held on:



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Thursday — February 4, 2021 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm (ET)

You can join the Virtual Public Information Meeting via the web link:

www.bigmarker.com/community-energy/Meade-County-Solar.

Please access the link in advance, to sign up for the meeting.

Or, you can call-in (toll free): **(888) 241-9901**

(Enter ID Number 190273 and Passcode Number 8526)

About the Project

The proposed 'Meade County Solar' project is a 40 MW solar farm to be located in southwestern Meade County along Big Spring Road and Stith Valley Road, about 4 miles west of Flaherty, Kentucky. The project site includes approximately 370 acres of land. The solar farm will sell 100% of the electricity it generates to Big Rivers Electric Corporation. This facility is expected to produce 91 million kilowatt-hours of electricity per year – roughly 85% the amount of electricity consumed by all the households in Meade County.

Already, environmental studies have been conducted to help design and position the solar farm in a way that avoids impacts to wetlands, wildlife, and cultural resources. The proposed system layout will also exceed Meade County setback requirements for solar farms. In addition to being a safe, reliable, and sustainable supplier of power to Big Rivers, Meade County Solar seeks to be a good neighbor and a contributing member of the business community. 'Meade County Solar' is scheduled to be constructed and begin operations in 2022.

For a PowerPoint presentation of the project, click this link: [Meade County Solar PowerPoint](#)



Contact Us

For maps of the project site, click this link: [Meade County Solar Maps](#)

Project Benefits

Solar farms do more than generate low-cost electricity. They also generate economic growth. The Meade County Solar project will impact the local economy in multiple ways::

- o **Construction Jobs for local workers:** 150+ jobs during the 6-9 month construction of the project.
- o **Construction Contracts for local businesses:** Electrical, Site Work, Landscape, etc.
- o **Local Economic Stimulus during construction:** Hotels, Restaurants, Shops, Entertainment, etc.
- o **Long-term Tax Revenue:** The solar farm will pay substantial taxes over 30 years, without increased pressure on community services such as roads, schools, libraries, and first responders.
- o **Full-Time Operations and Maintenance Jobs:** 2-3 full-time equivalent O&M jobs.

County Permitting Process

Solar farms are a Permitted Use in Meade County, subject to design standards. Community Energy will seek Site Plan Review and County approval for the Meade County Solar project prior to construction.

State Permitting Process

23 new notifications



Community Energy will seek a Construction Certificate for the Meade County Solar project from the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (the "Siting Board") in 2021. Public notices announcing related meetings and public hearings will be published on this website, and in *The Messenger*.

The Siting Board will review the proposed solar farm, with a focus on three areas:

- o Environmental matters
- o Economic impacts
- o Impact on the electric transmission grid

Find more information about the Siting Board process click this link: [Guide to KY Siting Board Process](#)

About Community Energy

Community Energy is a leading renewable energy developer with over 20 years of experience and developed many of the first and largest wind and solar projects in the United States. This includes over 1,300 MW of solar farms similar to our proposed McCracken County Solar project. Community Energy is headquartered in Radnor, Pennsylvania with offices in Boulder, Colorado, and Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

For more information about Community Energy, please visit <https://www.communityenergyinc.com>

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

For a list of Frequently Asked Questions, please visit: [Solar FAQs](#)



Contact Us

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To submit new questions about the proposed solar farm, please send an email to meadecountysolar@communityenergyinc.com or mail your questions to P.O. Box 17236, Chapel Hill, NC 27516.

Contact Information

For more information about the Meade County Solar project, please contact us:

Email: meadecountysolar@communityenergyinc.com

Toll Free Number: (866) 946-3123



Friday, February 5, 2021



Meade County Solar Frequently Asked Questions

Describe the Project

Meade County Solar is a proposed 40-megawatt (40 MW) solar farm to be located in southwestern Meade County, Kentucky. The project site, about 4 miles west of Flaherty, KY, will consist of two separate sections totaling 370 acres of land: one section along Stith Valley Road, and one section along Big Spring Road.

The generating system will include approximately 104,000 solar panels, ground-mounted on a racking system that will rotate to follow the sun. Dispersed throughout the solar farm will be electrical equipment that will gather the electricity we generate and feed power lines to a new substation that will be built for the interconnection of the solar farm to the Big Rivers transmission line in that area.

The proposed solar farm will sell 100% of its output to Big Rivers Electric Corporation. It is expected to produce 91 million kilowatt-hours of electricity per year - roughly 85% of the amount of electricity consumed by all the households in Meade County each year.

'Meade County Solar' is scheduled to be constructed and begin operations in 2022.

Who are Community Energy and Meade County Solar LLC?

Community Energy is one of the leading renewable energy development companies in the U.S. We've been in business for 21 years, developing many of the first and largest wind and solar projects in the country. This includes over 1,300 megawatts of solar farms similar to our proposed Meade County Solar project. Community Energy is headquartered in Radnor, Pennsylvania with additional offices in Boulder, Colorado, and Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

In our role as a solar developer, we identify good markets for solar power, we find appropriate sites for solar projects, then we obtain the necessary leases, studies, permits, surveys, etc. to create a "shovel-ready" solar project. In parallel, we line up an investor who will finance the project and become the long-term owner-operator.

For each of the projects we develop, we create a separate project company that holds all of the assets of the project. For this project, we created Meade County Solar LLC. Today, Community Energy owns 100% of Meade County Solar LLC. Once the project is shovel-ready, an investor will become the new owner. But Meade County Solar LLC, and all its rights and responsibilities, will endure that transition.

Why Meade County?

Last year, Big Rivers Electric Corporation conducted a competitive bid process, seeking to buy solar power under a long-term fixed-price contract. Community Energy's proposal for a solar farm in Meade County was one of the selected bids. The result will be low-cost locally-produced solar power.

Are you leasing or buying the land?

Meade County Solar LLC has entered into a number of long-term leases and easement agreements with local landowners. Our leases allow for 30 years of operation, with the option to extend for an additional 10 years.

Will you remove the equipment and restore the land at the end of the project?

Yes. Our leases require us to remove our equipment and restore the land at the end of the lease. In addition, our leases require us to establish and maintain resources that will pay for the cost of removal, net of any salvage value. Meade County, through its solar ordinance, also requires us to post a security bond to fund the removal of the system.

What permits will the project require?

During the development stage, the project will seek a *Construction Certificate* from the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (the "Siting Board"). The Siting Board is organized by the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

The Siting Board will be composed of seven (7) members: the three (3) members of the Public Service Commission, two (2) members of state government (the Secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Energy and Environment or her designee, and the Secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development or his designee) and two (2) members of local government (the Chairman of the Planning Commission, and a resident of Meade County appointed by the Governor).

Over the course of a roughly nine-month period, the Siting Board will review the proposed project, with a focus on three areas: 1) environmental matters such as noise and visual impacts, 2) economic impacts, and 3) the impact of the proposed facility on Kentucky's electric transmission grid.

More information can be found at <https://psc.ky.gov/Home/EGTSB>

Just prior to construction, the project will seek a number of permits including erosion control, stormwater, and driveway permits from the state, and a building permit from Meade County. These permits will be driven by the construction plans for the solar farm, which will likely be finalized in late 2021.

How will the project impact the environment?

As part of the development process, we have already conducted multiple studies to identify sensitive features of our proposed project site. These include:

- A delineation of any wetlands and streams
- A search for any hazardous materials on site
- An assessment of the cultural resources on site (archeological and architectural)
- An identification of any threatened and endangered wildlife habitat on site

By identifying these resources at the front end, we can design our facility in a way that avoids any impacts. That's our plan; stay away from any sensitive features on the site.

The construction of the solar farm is also low impact. Unlike housing or commercial development, a solar farm does not require brick-and-mortar buildings or paved parking lots. The "foundation" of a solar farm is a steel post, driven into the ground. The racking system is bolted to the posts, and the solar panels are bolted to the racking system. When the project is at its end, this process is reversed, and the site can easily be returned to open land.

Underneath the solar panels, we will plant a slow and low-growing grass to manage any runoff or erosion. The land will essentially lay fallow for the 30-year project period.

During operations, there will be no emissions of any kind. To the contrary, the electricity we will produce will offset emissions at "traditional" power plants. We believe our local environmental impact will be neutral, while our broader environmental impact will be positive.

Do the solar panels contain hazardous materials?

There are no hazardous materials in modern solar photovoltaic panels. The panels we use are the same as those installed on rooftops of houses. They are solid state, much like a semiconductor, and contain no liquids. If a panel is damaged, there is nothing to spill onto the ground. There are no special requirements for disposal of solar panels. There are now tens of thousands of acres of ground-mounted solar projects in the U.S, with no track record of any release of hazardous materials from those panels.

How about project security?

No part of the solar farm will be accessible to the public. In compliance with Meade County's solar ordinance, the equipment will be surrounded by a 7-foot-high security fence, typically a chain link fence.

Within the solar farm, all solar equipment will be grounded and touch-safe, fully compliant with all applicable codes and accessible only to qualified personnel, with the exception of guided tours. When the amperage or voltage accumulates to a dangerous level, those wires will be buried in conduit underground. Any wires outside of our security fence will either be buried or placed on poles to the same standard of safety required by the local utility.

Prior to commencing operations, we will provide an orientation to local first responders to educate them about the project, the equipment, access, and procedures in case of unexpected events. Contact information for our monitoring and response center will be posted on the project fence to ensure the public can easily contact project representatives.

Will the solar farm be an eyesore?

Solar farms are tidy and low-profile. To diminish the effect on the viewscape, we're planning to set our equipment back at least 500 feet from any neighboring house or public road. Where existing natural vegetation around the perimeter of the site provides a visual screen, we will maintain that vegetative buffer. Where a natural buffer does not exist, we plan to install a double offset row of evergreen plantings that will grow to at least 7 feet in height. We will also reach out to any nearby landowners with a potential view of the solar farm, to collaborate on any additional measures we can take. Our goal is to be a good neighbor and to work in good faith to address any concerns.

Will the solar farm be noisy, or cause glare, or heat?

The solar farm will not be noisy. There are only a few pieces of solar equipment that make any sound. These are electrical devices equipped with cooling fans. These pieces of equipment will generally be located toward the middle of the solar farm, such that you cannot hear them from the periphery. And the periphery will be at least 500 feet from any neighboring house, with existing vegetation or a planted buffer in-between. Our analysis estimates that any sound emanating from the solar farm will be at a level no higher than that of a "rural area at night."

The solar farm typically will not produce regular, significant glare. Solar panels are designed to absorb light, not reflect it, and are treated with an anti-reflection coating. Nevertheless, sometimes the sun can hit the solar panels at just the right angle to create glare. This is an infrequent and momentary occurrence, and typically does not have a significant adverse effect on neighboring houses.

Solar farms do not produce enough heat to be noticeable to adjacent properties.

What positive benefits can the solar farm bring?

The proposed solar farm will generate a number of positive benefits:

Jobs – There will be about 150 jobs created during the 6-9 month construction period. Most of these jobs don't require experience or a specific skill set, so they're accessible to a wide range of workers. Once operational, the solar farm will require 2-3 full-time employees. These will likely be local hires.

Contracts – Typically, a number of contracts are awarded to certain local trades during construction. This includes electrical work, earthmoving, fencing, landscaping, and security.

Local Spending – During the construction period, a significant amount of local spending will occur. This will be for items such as gas, food, lodging, clothes, entertainment, tools, and other sundries.

Taxes – The solar farm will pay hundreds of thousands of dollars of taxes on land that is currently paying less than \$10,000 a year. Unlike residential or commercial development, this tax revenue will not be offset by an increase in County expenses for schools, water, sewer, etc.

Low-cost electricity – Meade County Solar will sell 100% of its output to Big Rivers at a price that was the result of a highly-competitive bid process. This is not expensive “green” energy. It’s simply electricity, provided at a price competitive with any other source, and locked-in under a long-term contract.

Additional Questions

Do you have additional questions? Email them to us at meadecountysolar@communityenergyinc.com or call us at (866) 946-3123.

Meade County Solar



Presentation Outline



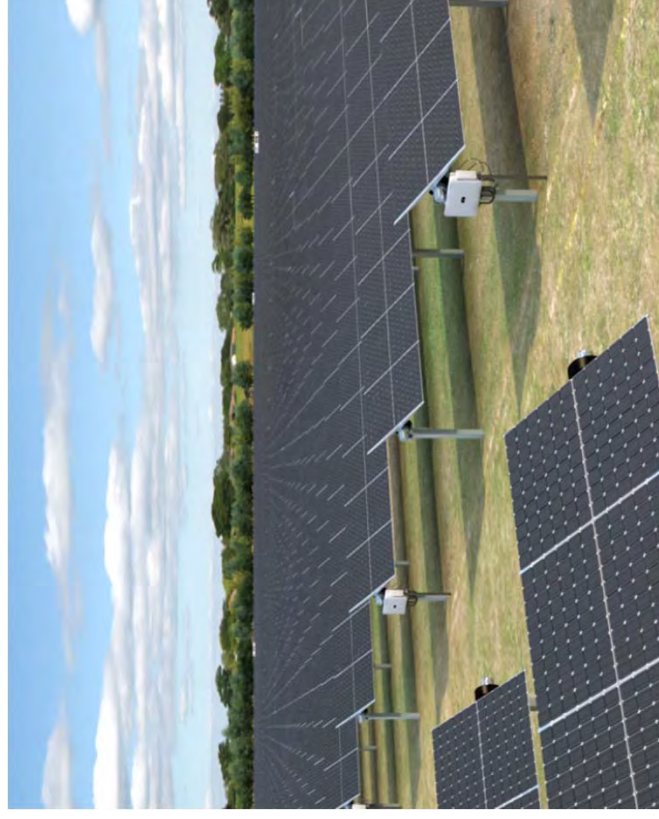
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About Meade County Solar



Meade County Solar is a proposed:

- 40 megawatt (40MW) solar farm
- Located on 370 acres spread across two sites west of Flaherty
- Selling 100% of its output to Big Rivers Electric Corporation
- Under development by Community Energy



About Community Energy



- In business for 21 years
- A leader in the development of renewable energy projects (especially in new markets)
- Headquarters in Radnor, PA
 - Additional offices in Colorado and North Carolina
- **Successful, experienced, and trusted**



Why Meade County?



Last year, Big Rivers Electric Corporation conducted a competitive bid process, seeking to buy solar power under a long-term fixed-price contract.

Community Energy's proposal for a solar farm in Meade County was one of the bids selected.

The result will be low-cost locally-produced solar power.



What is a 'Solar Farm'?

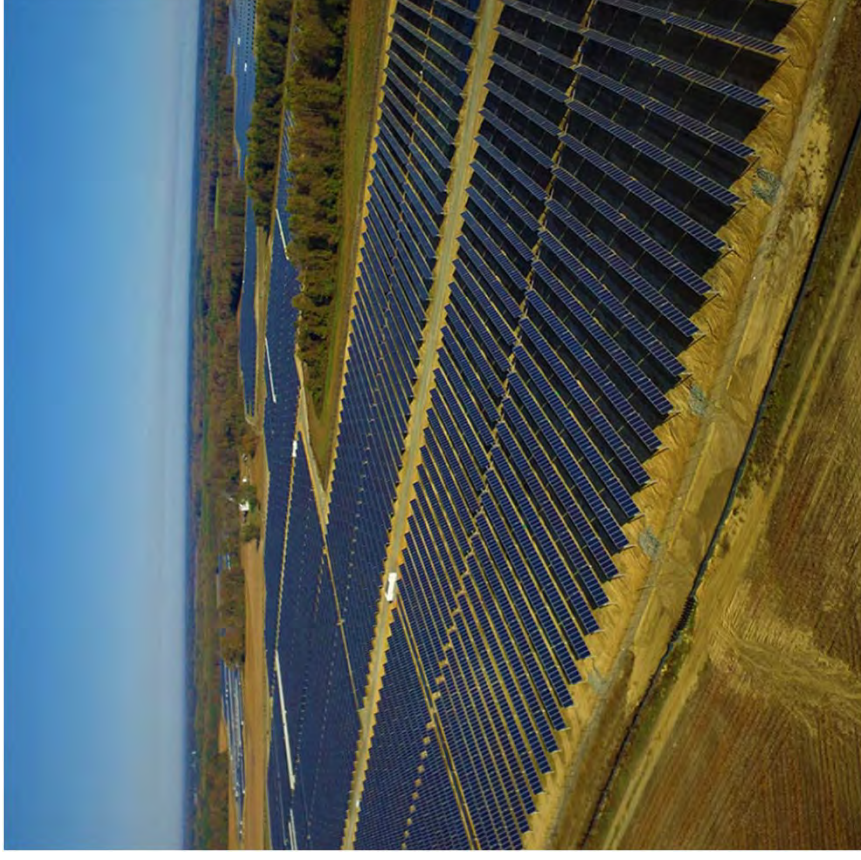


A **'solar farm'** is essentially a power plant that converts sunlight to electricity.

The basic building block of a solar farm is a solar panel.

Solar panels are rectangular, about 3 ft wide and 5 ft tall. They're black or dark blue, with glass on top.

A solar farm is just a whole lot of solar panels, bolted to a racking system, and placed in a field.

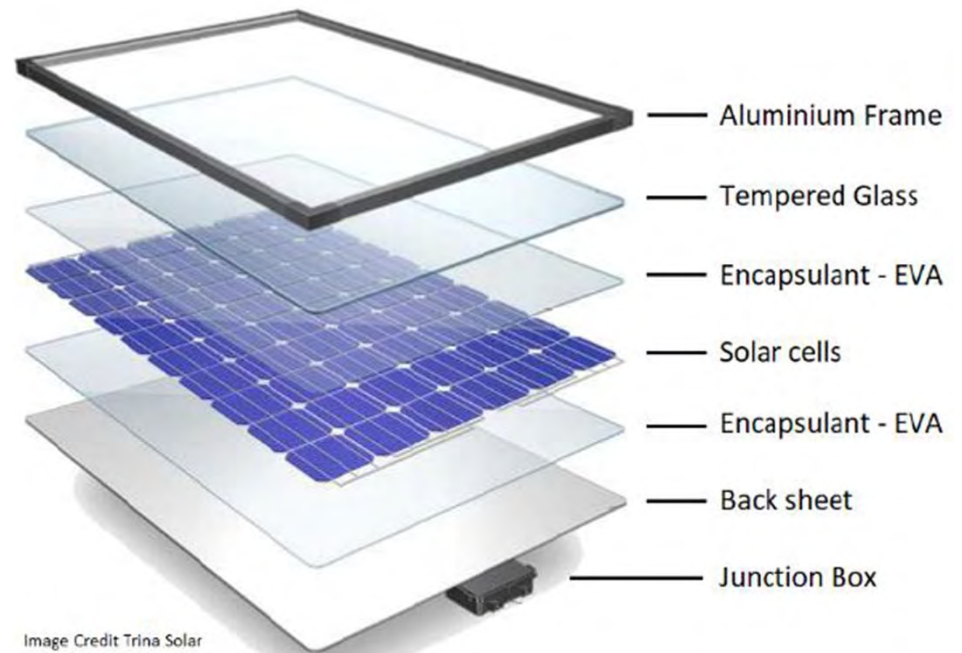


Solar Panels

Solar panels are made of simple materials, including:

- Glass (+/- 85%)
- Aluminum (+/- 8%)
- Silicon (+/- 6%)
- Wiring (+/- 1%)
 - Wiring is typically made of copper, silver, and zinc

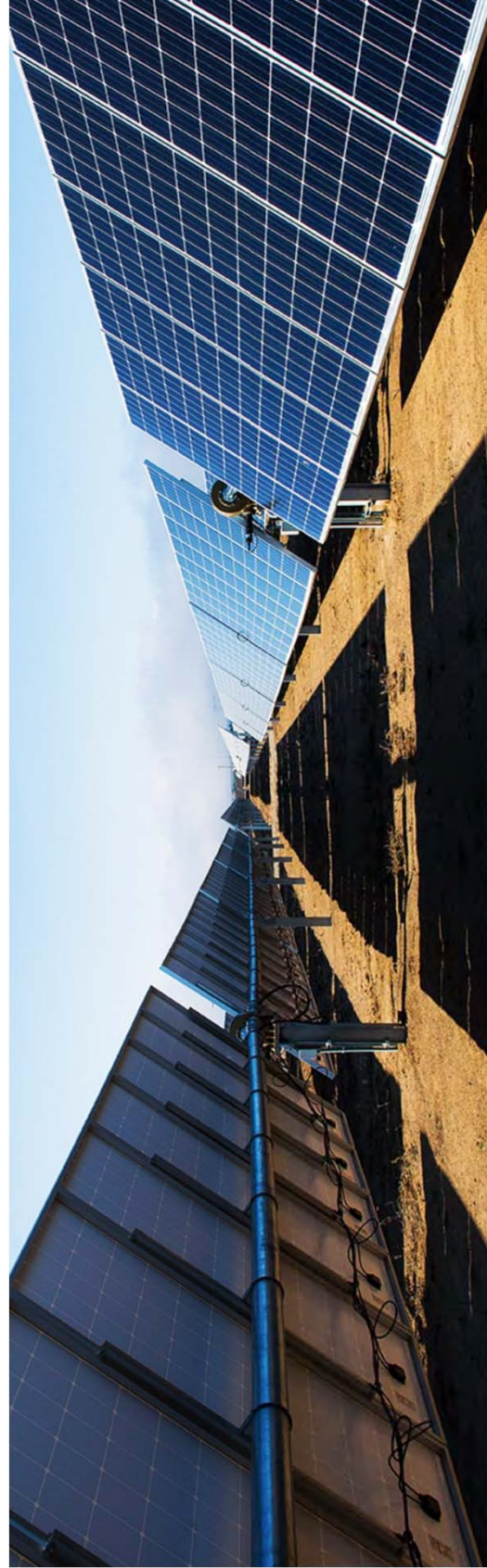
The proposed solar farm will use 104,000 solar panels.



Racking



- The proposed solar farm will use a **'Single-Axis Tracking System'** – a rotating racking system that will follow the sun from east to west.
- First, a post is driven into the ground
 - Then, the racking system is bolted to the posts
 - Then, the solar panels are attached to the racks



Inverters



Solar panels produce 'DC' power (the same as in a car battery).

An 'Inverter' changes the power from 'DC' power to 'AC' power (the same as you use in your home).

Inverter stations will be located throughout the solar farm.



Transformers



Solar panels produce low-voltage electricity.

Transformers are used to increase the voltage to a usable level.

“Step-up Transformers” within the solar farm increase the voltage to a level similar to the typical voltage in the power lines that run along roads.

A “Main Transformer” at the project substation increases the voltage again, to the level in the transmission line.



Substation



To connect the solar farm to Big Rivers' transmission line, a substation will be built.

The substation will be a square area, roughly 150 ft x 150 ft, surrounded by a security fence, with electrical equipment inside.

A power line will connect the substation to the transmission line at a new 'tap' into the line.

The location of the tap is called the 'Point of Interconnection.'



Security Fence



The solar farm will be built in two sections. Each section of the solar farm will be surrounded by a seven-foot tall security fence.



Project Location



The project will be located in southern Meade County, approximately 4 miles west of Flaherty.

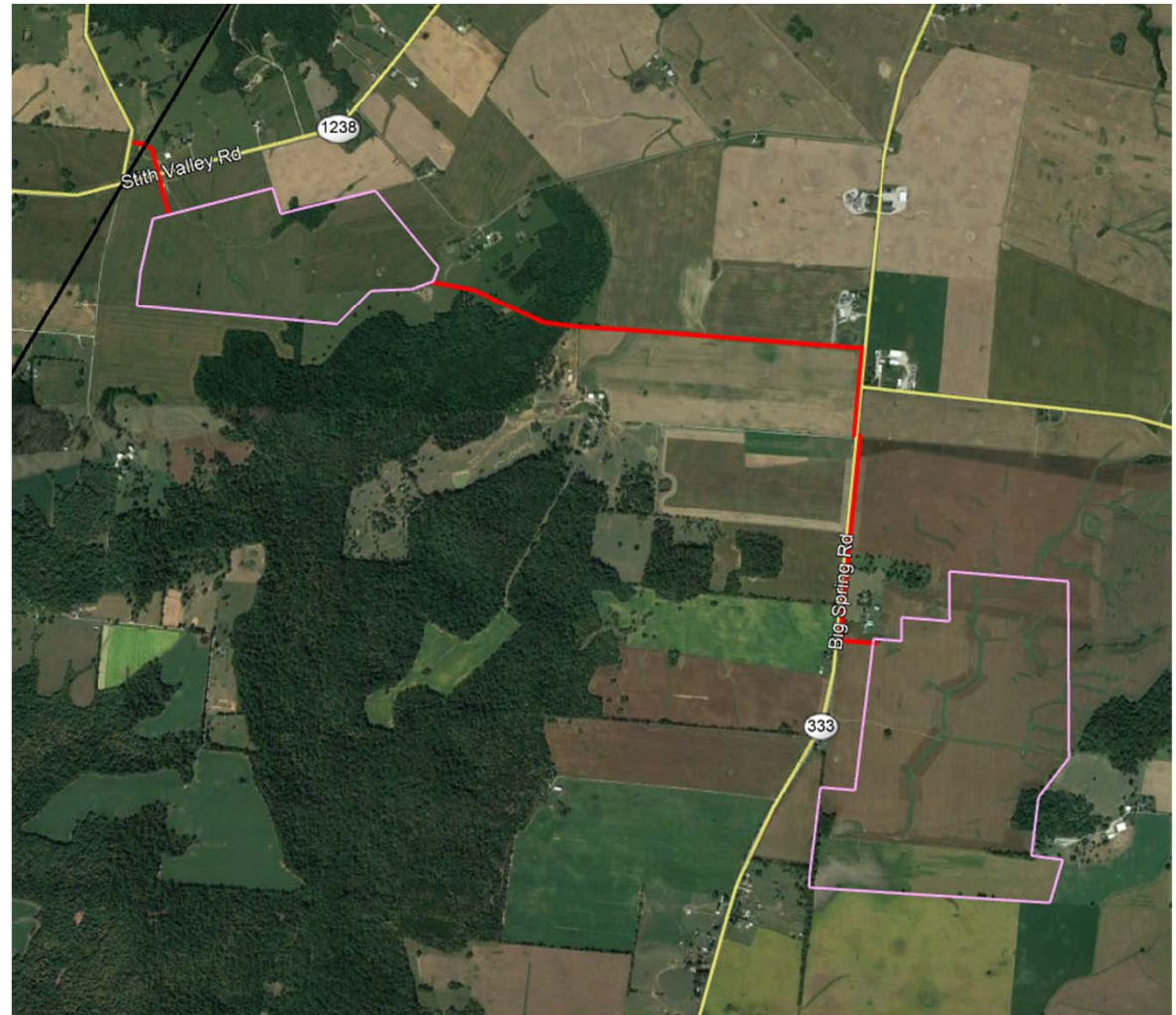


Project Site



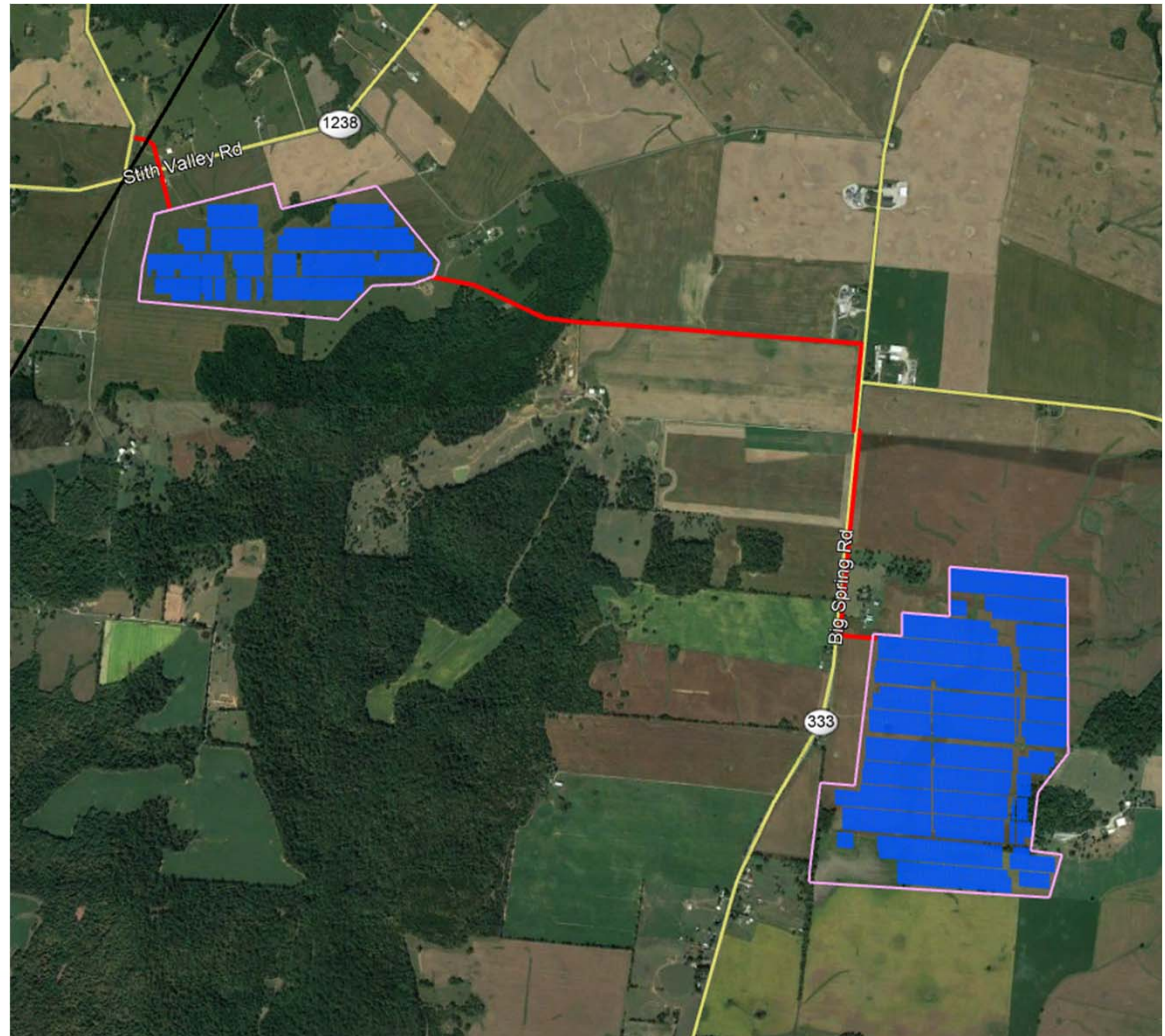
The project site is comprised of two sections: one section off Stith Valley Road, and one section off Big Spring Road.

Most of the project site is currently open land used for row-cropping.



Project Layout

The solar panels will be set back from public roads and neighboring residences by at least 500 feet.

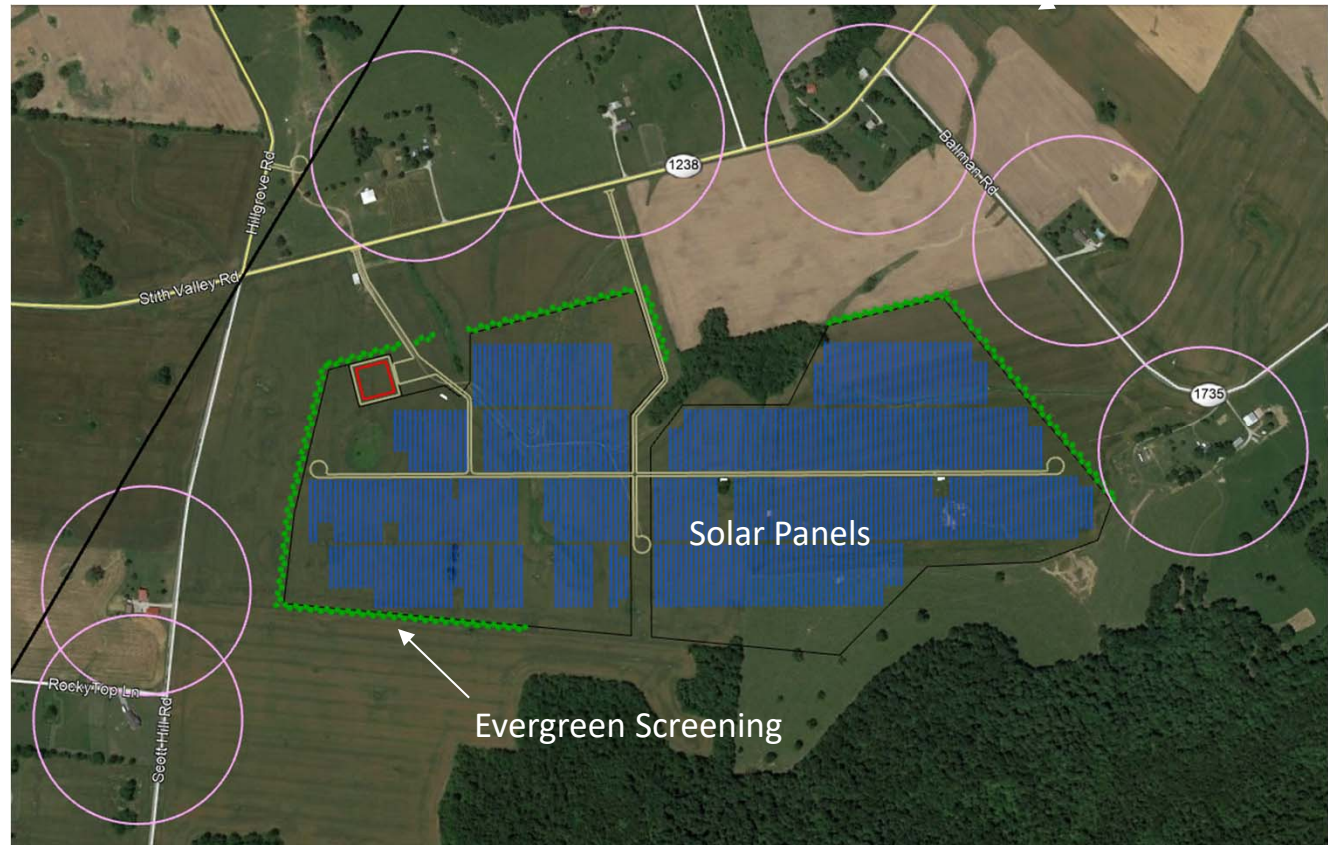


Project Layout – Stith Valley Section



This close-up of the Stith Valley section of the solar farm illustrates the setbacks from neighboring houses. The pink circles have a radius of 500 feet.

Where existing natural vegetation doesn't exist between the solar farm and neighboring houses, a double offset row of evergreens will be planted.

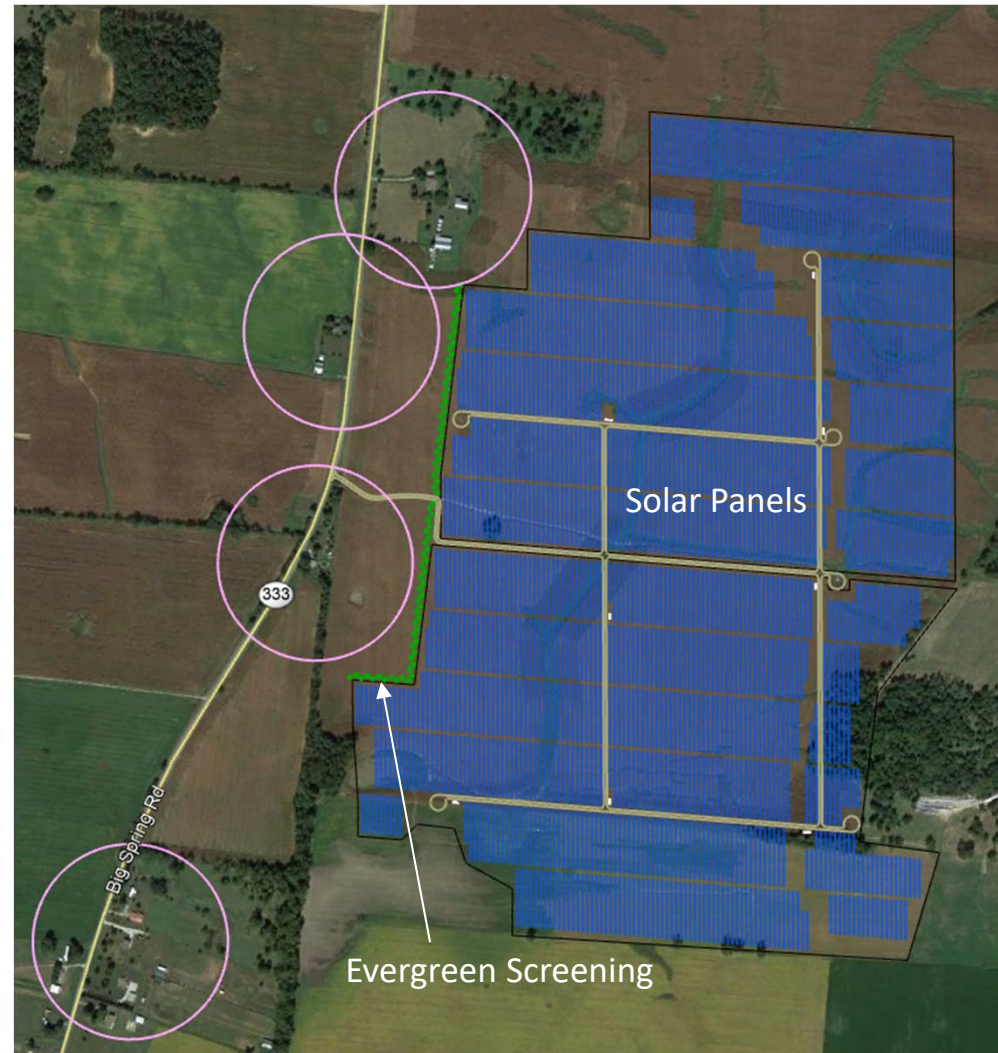


Project Layout – Big Spring Section



This close-up of the Big Spring section of the solar farm illustrates the setbacks from neighboring houses. The pink circles have a radius of 500 feet.

Where existing natural vegetation doesn't exist between the solar farm and neighboring houses, a double offset row of evergreens will be planted.



Interconnection Studies

The solar farm will connect to a Big Rivers transmission line which is part of a regional transmission network managed by the 'Midcontinent Independent System Operator' (MISO).

MISO will study the proposed facility, to determine whether the existing transmission lines in the area can absorb this additional power, or if they need to be upgraded.

Any required upgrades will be paid for by the project.

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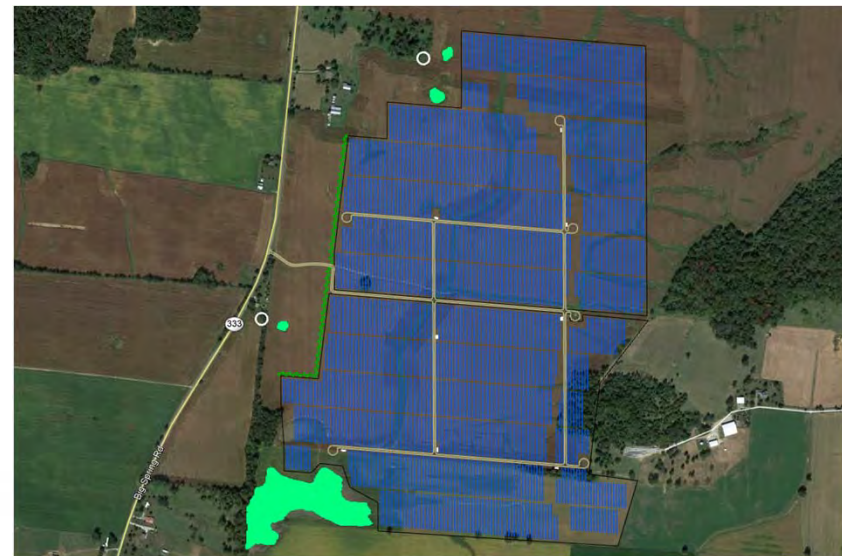
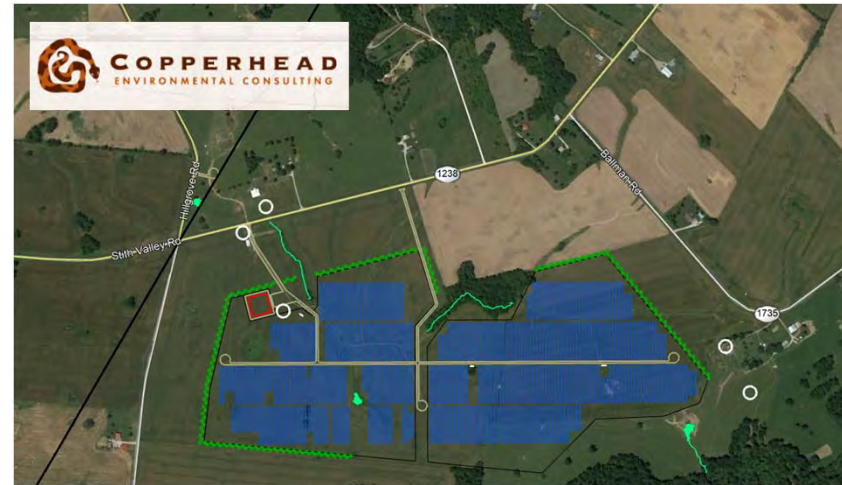


Environmental Studies



Multiple environmental studies have already been conducted:

- Wetlands and streams eligible for protection have been identified. Any required setbacks or buffers will be observed.
- Cultural resources eligible for protection have been identified. Any required setbacks or buffers will be observed.
- Threatened and endangered wildlife habitat has been identified (bats). Any required avoidance will be observed.



Impact Study



A 'Property Value Impact Study' has been conducted to determine whether the proposed solar farm will likely have a negative impact on local property values.

The most common areas for impact on adjoining property values are, in order of importance:

1. Hazardous materials
2. Odor
3. Noise
4. Traffic
5. Stigma
6. Appearance

- The Study reported no hazardous materials or odors associated with solar farms.
- The Study reported no instances of audible sounds at the periphery of the solar farms it inspected.
- The Study estimated that the anticipated 2-3 fulltime workers at the solar farm would not significantly impact traffic.
- The Study reported no negative stigma against solar farms as a neighboring use.
- Based on the enhanced setbacks and buffers from neighboring residences, the Study anticipated no negative visual impact from the solar farm.
- The Study concluded that the proposed solar farm would not likely have negative impact on local property values.

Acoustical Analysis



An 'Acoustical Analysis' has been conducted to determine whether the proposed solar farm will likely increase noise levels in the area.

The study concluded that the enhanced setback distances between the solar farm and neighboring residences are anticipated to diminish sounds from the solar farm to a level below 40 decibels – lower than the existing daytime noise level in the area.

Table 1. Sound Levels of Common Activities/Situations.

Activity/Event	dBA
Lowest audible sound to person with average hearing	0
Quiet rural, nighttime	25
Crickets, distant frogs	30
Birds, distant dog bark	40
Quiet urban, nighttime	45
Large business office	60
Normal speech at 3 feet	60-70
Noisy urban area, daytime	75
Food blender at 3 feet	85
Gas lawn mower at 3 feet	100
Jet flyover at 1,000 feet	110

County Permitting



‘Meade County Solar’ will adhere to the Solar Ordinance adopted by Meade County.

Key provisions of the Solar Ordinance include:

- › All solar panels, transformers, inverters and substations shall be at least twenty-five (25) feet from the perimeter property lines of the project area and at least one hundred (100) feet from any residential structure.
- › The solar farm shall be screened with a seven (7) foot tall fence and, to the extent reasonably practicable, a visual buffer that provides reasonable screening to reduce the view of the solar farm from residential dwelling units on adjacent lots.



For more information, contact:

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Planning and Zoning Administrator

pzadmin@meadeky.gov

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State Permitting



Meade County Solar will be seeking a **Construction Certificate** from the Kentucky Public Service Commission

The Construction Certificate will be issued by the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (the “**Siting Board**”).

The Siting Board review focuses on three areas:

- Environmental matters such as noise and visual impacts
- Economic impacts
- Impact of the proposed facility on Kentucky’s electric transmission grid



Kentucky Public Service Commission



Commonwealth of Kentucky
**Kentucky State Board on
Electric Generation and
Transmission Siting**

Siting Board Members



The Siting Board will be composed of seven (7) members:

- **The (3) members of the Public Service Commission**
 - Chairman (Michael J. Schmitt)
 - Vice Chairman (Kent A. Chandler)
 - Commissioner (Talina R. Mathews)

- **Two (2) members of state government**
 - The Secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Energy and Environment (Rebecca Goodman), or her designee
 - The Secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development (Larry Hayes, Interim Secretary), or his designee

- **Two (2) members of local government**
 - The Chairman of the Meade County Planning Commission (Chuck Hansbrough)
 - A resident of the County (appointed by the Governor)

Siting Board Process



The Siting Board review takes approximately nine (9) months

Key steps include:

- **Public Meeting**
 - February 4, 2021
- **Application**
 - May 5, 2021
- **Evidentiary Hearing**
 - *Optional - TBD*
- **Local Hearing**
 - *Optional - TBD*
- **Decision**
 - Anticipated Q4 2021
- **Appeal**
 - If filed within 30 days of decision

For more information on the Siting Board:

<https://psc.ky.gov/Home/EGTSB>

To see Public Service Commission filings related to this project:

<https://psc.ky.gov/Case/ViewCaseFilings?caseN=2020-00390>

Case No. 2020-00390

Construction



If the Construction Certificate is approved:

- Construction will start in 2022
- Construction period will be 6-9 months
- Approximately 150 construction jobs
 - Mostly no experience required
- Hiring of local trades
 - Electric
 - Surveying
 - Earthmoving
 - Fencing
 - Landscaping



Operations and Maintenance



Typical operations and maintenance duties include:

- Preventive Maintenance
- Repair
- Mowing

Meade County Solar will require 2-3 full-time employees for operations and maintenance.



Output



Meade County Solar will produce **91 million** kilowatt-hours of electricity per year

Roughly equivalent to the electric consumption of **85% of all the households** in Meade County

100% of the solar power we produce will be delivered and sold to Big Rivers Electric Corporation.



Economic Benefits



Solar farms do more than generate clean, low-cost electricity. They also generate economic growth.

The Meade County Solar project will impact the local economy in multiple ways:

- **Construction Jobs** for local workers: 150+ jobs during the 6-9 month construction of the project
- **Construction Contracts** for local businesses: Electrical, Site Work, Landscape, etc.
- **Local Spending** during construction: Hotels, Restaurants, Shops, Entertainment, etc.
- **Long-term Tax Revenue:** The solar farm will pay substantial taxes over 30 years, without increased pressure on community services such as roads, schools, libraries, and first responders.
- **Full-Time Jobs:** 2-3 full-time operations and maintenance jobs

Summary

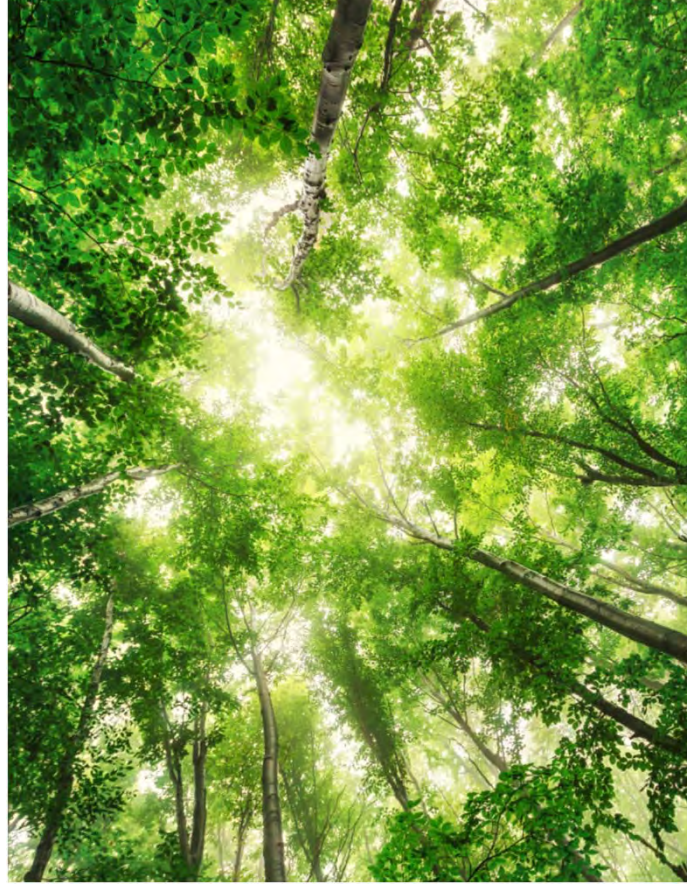


In a single hour, the amount of solar power that strikes the Earth is more than the entire world consumes in a year.

Meade County Solar proposes to capture some of that solar power, convert it to usable electricity, and deliver it to the local community at a competitive price.

We seek to develop a solar project that is respectful of our neighbors, and delivers multiple benefits to the greater Meade County community.

We invite your questions, comments, and feedback.



Contact Info



For more information, or to receive a printed version of
this presentation:

Email us at

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or call us at (866) 946-3123

Thank you

EXHIBIT 6
ATTACHMENT 6.2



January 14, 2021

[Name]
[Address]
[City, ST Zip]

Subject: Meade County Solar Farm

Dear [Name],

Community Energy is developing a large-scale solar farm to be located in southern Meade County. We are writing today to invite you, as a landowner of property near the proposed project site, to participate in a series of public information events. These events are designed to provide an opportunity for you to learn about the project, ask questions, and provide comments.

The proposed 370-acre project site will have two sections: one section along Stith Valley Road, and one section along Big Spring Road. Please see the enclosed map. The solar farm will have a capacity of 40 megawatts and will sell 100% of the electricity it generates to Big Rivers Electric Corporation – the supplier of power to Meade County RECC. This facility is expected to produce 91 million kilowatt-hours of electricity per year - roughly 85% the amount of electricity consumed by all the households in Meade County. 'Meade County Solar' is scheduled to be constructed and begin operations in 2022.

Community Energy is one of the leading renewable energy development companies in the U.S. We've been in business for 21 years, developing many of the first and largest wind and solar projects in the country. This includes over 1,300 megawatts of solar farms similar to our proposed Meade County Solar project. Community Energy is headquartered in Radnor, Pennsylvania with offices in Boulder, Colorado, and Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

We look forward to the opportunity to speak with you, to introduce the project, and to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Meade County Solar - Information and Public Participation

In compliance with restrictions on public gatherings related to the COVID-19 crisis, the presentation of information about the project and the gathering of public comment will be facilitated by a combination of online resources, one-on-one conversations, and a virtual public meeting. Details are as follows:

Website

We've created a website where you will find maps of the project, a PowerPoint presentation describing the project, a list of Frequently Asked Questions and responses, a schedule of upcoming live events, contact information, and instructions for submitting questions and comments. The website can be accessed at:

www.communityenergyinc.com/meadcountysolar

In-Person Office Hours

We're hosting in-person "office hours" in Radcliff to provide interested parties with a one-on-one opportunity to seek more information. These meetings will be held in a large conference room, limited to one individual or one family at a time. Face masks and social distancing will be required. The In-Person Office Hours will be held at the Holiday Inn Express Radcliff - Fort Knox, 30 Bourbon St., Radcliff, KY 40160 (at the intersection of Joe Prather Hwy and Dixie Blvd). The dates and available times are:

- Thursday January 28, 2021 from 7:00am - 9:00pm Eastern Time (ET)
- Friday January 29, 2021 from 7:00am - 9:00pm ET

To accommodate as many interested parties as possible, the individual/family meetings will be limited to one hour. To sign up for a 1-hour block, please send us an email at meadcountysolar@communityenergyinc.com, or call our toll-free number at (866) 946-3123.

Virtual Public Information Meeting

We will hold a live web-based presentation of the project, followed by a live question-and-answer session. The presentation will be also be accessible by telephone. The presentation will be recorded, and available afterward on the website.

The Virtual Public Information Meeting will be held on:

- Thursday February 4, 2021 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm ET

You can join the Virtual Public Information Meeting via web link at:

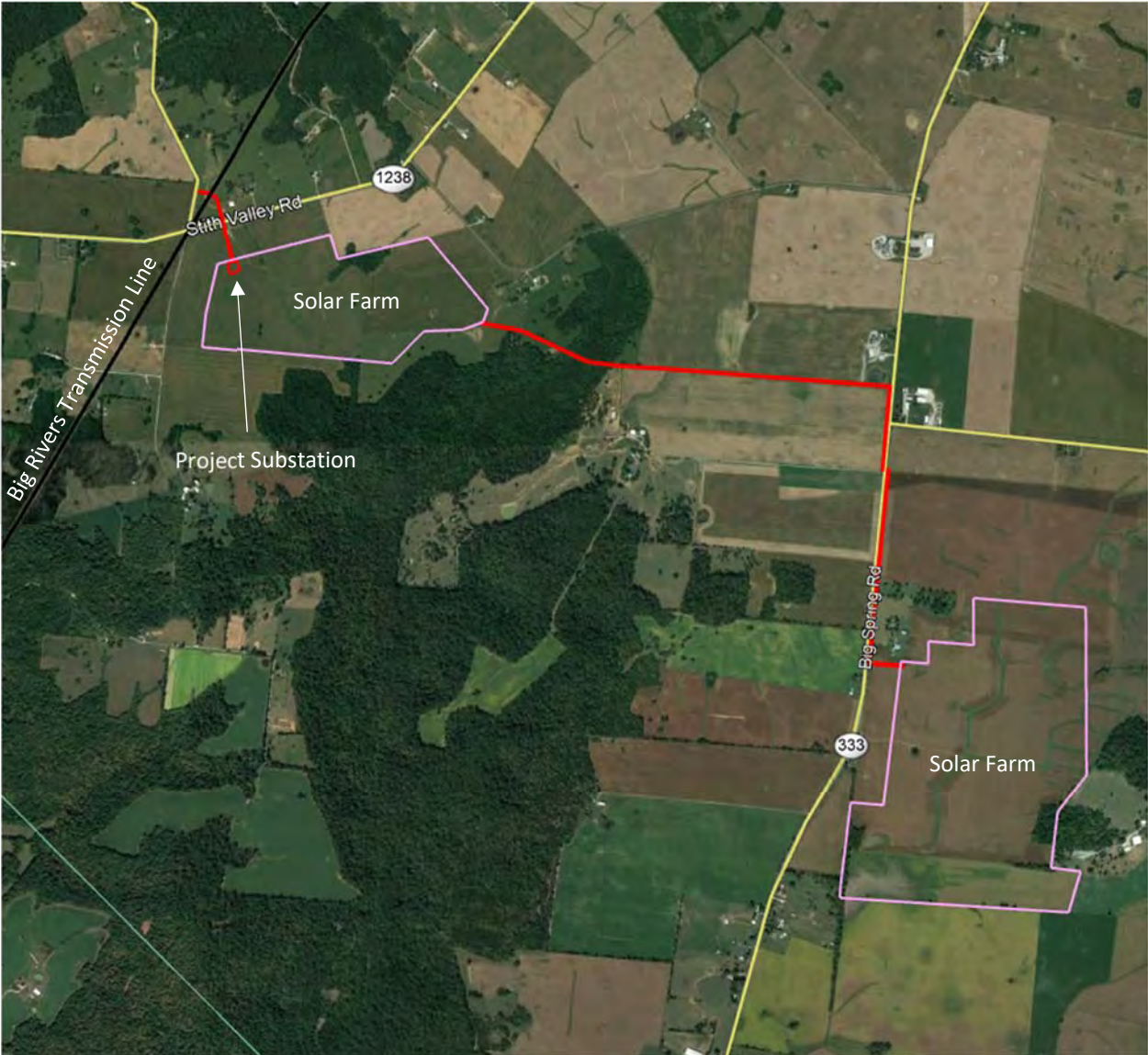
www.bigmarker.com/community-energy/Meade-County-Solar
(Please access the link in advance, to sign up for the meeting)

Or, you can call-in (toll free) at:

(888) 241-9901
(Enter ID Number 190273 and Passcode Number 8526)

We encourage you to access the information provided, and attend the events if you're able. Please also feel free to contact us directly at meadcountysolar@communityenergyinc.com, or call our toll-free number at (866) 946-3123. We look forward to speaking with you.

Meade County Solar
Proposed 40MW Solar Farm Project Site



Meade County Solar - Adjacent Landowner Mailing List

Parcel ID	Parcel Address	Acreage	Landowner	Street	City	State	Zip
131-00-00-003	Big Spring Road	0.9	[REDACTED]	4686 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-013.10	1320 Ballman Road	1.3	[REDACTED]	1320 Ballman Road	Guston	KY	40142
141-00-00-012	St. Martin Road	5.4	[REDACTED]	649 Bloomington Road	Leitchfield	KY	42754
119-00-00-001.20	Hill Grove Road	9.2	[REDACTED]	4080 Hill Grove Road	Guston	KY	40142
131-00-00-002	Big Spring Road	0.6	[REDACTED]	4461 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-019	Scott Hill Road	19.2	[REDACTED]	275 Scott Hill Road	Guston	KY	40142
119-00-00-016	730 Scott Hill Road	168.9	[REDACTED]	730 Scott Hill Road	Guston	KY	40142
119-00-00-003	3890 Stith Valley Road	10.8	[REDACTED]	3890 Stith Valley Road	Guston	KY	40142
121-00-00-002	Big Spring Road	485.1	[REDACTED]	5601 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
131-00-00-004	5046 Big Spring Road	8.6	[REDACTED]	705 Crump Lane	Elizabethtown	KY	42701
130-00-00-010	420 Ballman Road	189	[REDACTED]	2436 Dents Bridge Road	Irvington	KY	40146
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119-00-00-001.30	Hill Grove Road	24.8	[REDACTED]	3950 Hill Grove Road	Guston	KY	40142
119-00-00-001.50	Hill Grove Road	15.2	[REDACTED]	7955 Hwy 477	Webster	KY	40176
119-00-00-001.40	Hill Grove Road	113.6	[REDACTED]	675 Stith Valley Road	Ekron	KY	40117
131-00-00-009	5235 Big Spring Road	5.6	[REDACTED]	5235 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-004.15	Off KY 1238	31.3	[REDACTED]	PO Box 1467	Fot Knox	KY	40121
142-00-00-013.10	Clarkson Road	64.4	[REDACTED]	1055 Clarkson Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
141-00-00-009.20	St. Martin Road	22.8	[REDACTED]	3840 St. Martin Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
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120-00-00-005.03	Alex Willis Lane	42.5	[REDACTED]	935 Buck Knobs Road	Ekron	KY	40117
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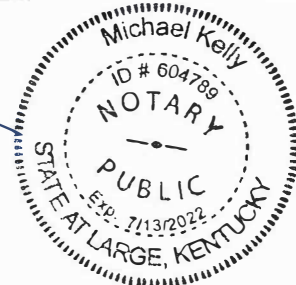
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I, a Notary Public for the State at Large, do hereby certify that the foregoing Affidavit was this the 19 day of January, 2021 produced before me in the State and County aforesaid, and was signed, acknowledged, delivered, and sworn to by Tracy Whitaker of the Meade County Messenger to be his/her free act and deed.

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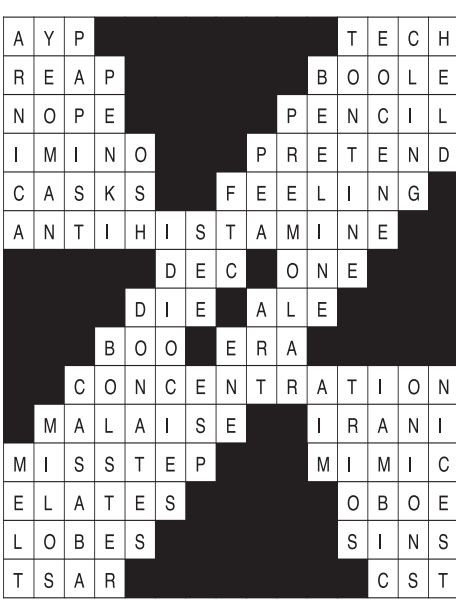
Meade County Solar LLC, a subsidiary of Community Energy, is proposing to develop and construct an approximately 40-megawatt solar electric generating facility to be located along Big Spring Road and Stith Valley Road in Meade County, Kentucky. The public is invited to learn more about the project through a project website, In-Person Office Hours, and a Virtual Public Information Meeting.
The project website includes maps of the project, a PowerPoint presentation describing the project, a list of Frequently Asked Questions and responses, a schedule of upcoming live events, contact information, and instructions for submitting questions and comments. The website can be accessed at: www.communityenergyinc.com/meadecountysolar
In-Person Office Hours will be conducted to provide interested parties with a one-on-one opportunity to seek more information. These meetings will be restricted to individuals or single family units, and will comply with any social distancing and public gathering requirements in effect at that time. The In-Person Office Hours will be held at the Holiday Inn Express Radcliff - Fort Knox, 30 Bourbon St., Radcliff, KY 40160 on Thursday January 28, 2021 from 7:00am - 9:00pm Eastern Time (ET) and on Friday January 29, 2021 from 7:00am - 9:00pm ET. To sign up, please see the In-Person Office Hours information on the website, send an email to meadecountysolar@communityenergyinc.com, or call our toll-free number at (866) 946-3123.
A Virtual Public Information Meeting will be held to provide a live presentation of the project, followed by a live question-and-answer session. The Virtual Public Information Meeting will be accessible via the internet and also by telephone. The presentation will be recorded, and available afterward on the website. The Virtual Public Meeting will be held on Thursday February 4, 2021 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm ET. To register for this event, please see the Virtual Public Information Meeting information on the website, send an email to meadecountysolar@communityenergyinc.com, or call our toll-free number at (866) 946-3123.

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AGRICULTURE

Why farmers call it a combine

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

As harvest season continues to be in full swing, many of you have more than likely encountered a farmer and his combine either in a field you have driven by or on the roadways themselves. If you have got stuck behind one of these large, oversized machines traveling from field to field at a snail's pace compared to your own vehicle, you may have had time to wonder things like "Why are they so large?" or

"Why are they called a combine?"

The answers to these questions are really one in the same. The reason they are so large is that they are basically an automated grain harvesting factory on wheels, operated by a single person. This leads us to how they got their name – combine.

When one understands the history of grain harvesting, the name begins to make a whole lot more sense.

The early days of American agriculture were far different than

today. Grain harvests used to require many more steps and workers. We will use wheat for an example. First, it was cut by a handheld reaper. It then had to be collected and taken to be threshed, separating the grain from the stalk. A "straw-buck" would have to get the straw away from the thresher. The grain then had to be winnowed, separating the kernel from the chaff. There was a "sack-jig" who filled burlap sacks with the wheat. He would then pass it off to the

"sack sewers" who sewed the bag shut.

The first self-propelled combine was released by Massey Harris in 1939. These machines became known as combine harvesters (later shortened to combine or harvester depending mainly upon where you are located to determine which name it was shortened to). Simply put, it was because the machine "combined" all these jobs into one. Its header reaped the crop; its feeder house gathered the crop to

be threshed, moving it to the rotor; its rotor threshed the grain from the plant; its sieve and chaffer winnowed the grain, removing grain from chaff; a fan and straw walkers or a chopper served as the "straw-buck" getting the straw and chaff away from the machine and grain; a grain elevator and hopper on top of the machine stored the grain until it could be offloaded for transport, removing the need for "sack-jigs" or "sack sewers."

So, the long and

short of it is this: it's a combine because it combined numerous jobs performed by countless men and horses into a self-propelled mobile grain harvesting factory operated by a single man. The next time you get behind a slow moving combine, maybe you can reflect on the human ingenuity that went into making that huge, agricultural marvel, and just be thankful that you're following it and not following all the horses and men that it replaced.

Solar farms are coming to town

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

"Green energy" or "renewable energy" are terms that we have all heard repeatedly, especially in recent years as debates over climate change and what that means for our planet have heated up at a far faster pace than our planet. The discussion has mainly revolved around solar and wind energy replacing more traditional forms of energy, and it has taken place more at the national level than that of the local level. That has all changed, however, as solar energy now appears to be making its way to Meade County.

A couple of years ago, a California-based solar energy company began making its rounds in search of land between the Midway, Guston, Irvington, Webster area in hopes of building a solar farm. They offered landowners a lease contract that paid a nominal fee per year for every acre that was signed over to the company to build solar panels on. If and when the panels were actually built upon a land owner's property, the yearly price per acre would go up significantly, however.

For some, they wanted no part of the proposition. After all, it wasn't that long ago that a natural gas company came around promising the great wealth to Meade Countians who signed over their property to be drilled upon. No one ever got rich from

the deal, but more than one farmer's field was destroyed by salt water flooding their fields and well work disrupting their soil.

For others, though, the solar contracts offered an opportunity that couldn't be passed up. Over three times the rate per year to lease the land to a solar company versus a farmer wasn't a hard sell to some land owners and even farmers, looking for income stability on portions of their land.

For the past few years, it appeared to have ended as quickly as it started from the outside looking in. Nothing was ever built. There was little to no talk of any future construction in the public realm, either. Solar hadn't left, though. The companies were just getting their proverbial ducks in a row.

At the July Fiscal Court meeting, this became very apparent to anyone who was paying attention to such things. Bryan Zoeller of Frost Brown Todd, representing that California solar company, spoke to Court. He was there to promote a planning and zoning ordinance change for solar energy.

"This ordinance strikes a good balance between protecting your property in Meade County and setting forth the rules and standards by which a solar company would need to come in and develop a project here," said Zoeller. "The clarity that's provided in this ordinance really gives a

developer a road map on how they need to construct a project and operate a project here in Meade County."

It now appears that not just one, but two, solar farms are looking to be developed here in Meade County by two separate companies. One is the aforementioned project along the HWY 79 corridor in the western part of the county. The second one is in southern Meade County along the Big Springs Road corridor.

Strong opinions are quickly forming on both sides of these two projects. Those in opposition argue that there are serious environmental issues that need to be evaluated, especially with the straight line winds, tornados and sinkholes that this county is known for. They also argue that they don't want to stare out from their homes at hundreds of acres of solar panels. The other side argues that the environmental issues are minimal, if not nonexistent, and that \$700-\$800 per acre per year for 20 years guaranteed is too good to pass up.

Over the coming weeks, we will take a deeper look into these projects and try to answer many of the questions circulating right now revolving around why a California-based company is so interested in rural Meade County to attempt to farm the sun and what, if any, environmental concerns there may or may not be.

Fall is the time to plant garlic

ANDY MILLS

Don't turn your back on your garden just yet. Fall is the perfect time of year to plant garlic. Garlic takes fall and winter to develop its roots. They will start to produce foliage in early spring, and you'll harvest in summer.

Garlic is part of the Allium genus (amarillid family), which includes onions. Garlic cultivars are categorized as either hardneck or softneck. Hardneck varieties tend to be more "garlicky" in flavor, with a hotter or spicier profile. They produce a flower stalk, called a scape, in the late spring. Cut off the scapes to encourage the plants to grow bigger bulbs, but don't throw them away. Scapes are delicious and add a delicate garlic taste to salads, side dishes or pesto.

Softneck varieties lack a center stalk and are usually milder in flavor. The garlic you'll find in grocery stores are generally softneck varieties. They often have more and larger cloves than the hardneck varieties. Other traits that can differ between cultivars include clove arrangement, color and skin tightness.

Hardneck varieties require a long, cold winter for their dormancy period, so it's a good idea to plant both hardneck and softneck varieties. This will not only give you a range of flavor profiles, but you'll be sure to have at least one variety

succeed, if the winter isn't cold enough.

The largest cloves produce the best plants. Get your seed bulbs from a seed company or local nursery. Planting cloves from bulbs you've bought at the grocery may produce garlic plants but usually won't produce as well as nursery stock. They may not be a good variety for this area, plus they are often harder to grow, because they are often treated to produce a longer shelf life.

While garlic is relatively easy to grow, the goal is to plant it before the soil freezes, but not so far out that it has time to put out top growth before the ground freezes. In this area, that usually means October and early November planting. Soil preparation is crucial for success. Garlic needs well-drained, slightly acidic soil that's rich in organic matter. Heavily compacted soils make bulb production difficult. Planting in raised beds promotes good soil drainage, reduces soil compaction and increases the ease of harvest. Mix compost and aged or composted (never raw) manure into the soil to provide the nutrients the plants need. A soil pH of 6.5-7 is best.

Plant cloves 2 to 4 inches apart and 2


inches deep, with the pointed end facing up. Rows should be 10 to 14 inches apart. Mulch immediately after planting.

Next July and August, dig plants and hang in a dry area for several weeks, then store them as you would potatoes or onions—cool but not refrigerated, dark and dry. Your bountiful harvest of cloves will be available through the rest of the year.

For more information about home and commercial production of garlic, check out the Center for Crop Diversification's publication, CCD CP-99, <https://www.uky.edu/ccd/sites/www.uky.edu/ccd/files/garlic.pdf> or contact the Meade County Office at 270-422-4958.

Source: Rick Durham, extension professor, Department of Horticulture
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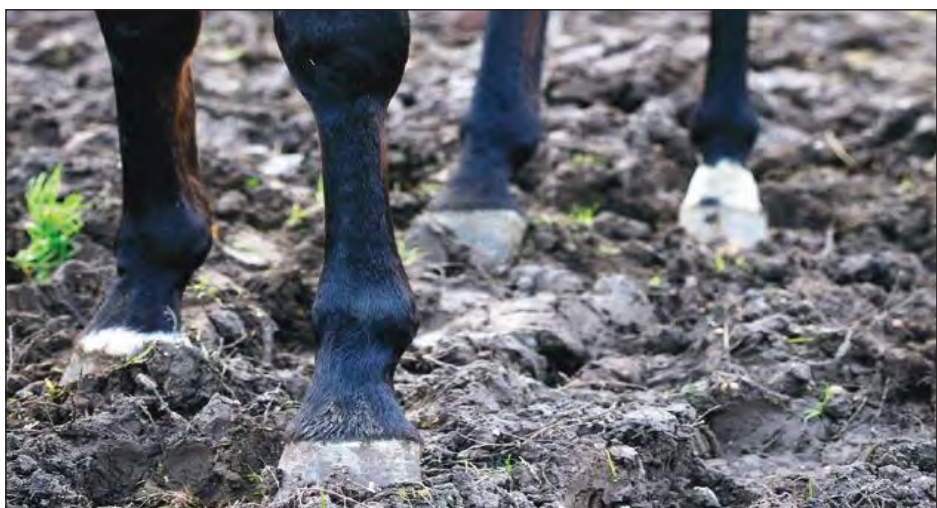
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Hard Surfaces Can Help Reduce Mud



ANDY MILLS

If you have been farming in Kentucky for any length of time, you know the winter weather can make your farm quite muddy. Feeding livestock during the winter or moving equipment over unfrozen, wet ground can exacerbate the amount of mud on the farm.

Mud is not good for several reasons. It can cause topsoil erosion and increase soil compaction. Livestock that have to walk through mud require more feed for energy but actually eat and drink less because they expel so much energy getting to feed and water. Therefore, mud reduces daily average gains. Mud on animal's coats makes it harder for them to regulate their body temperature—increasing the amount of energy they need to generate heat for warmth in the winter and cool themselves in the summer. For horses, mud can increase the risk of slipping and falling and can make walking or standing difficult.

Fortunately, you can reduce the amount of mud on your farm by installing hard traffic pads on areas of your farm that tend to get the most traffic. You have many choices for materials to use for heavy-use pads. Some of these include concrete, plastic traffic grid and geotextile fabric and rock. The material you use depends on many factors, including material availability, installation costs and the size of your operation.

With the exception of horses which require softer surfaces, concrete pads are by far the strongest, easiest to clean and lowest maintenance material for most livestock producers to use. Concrete pads should be placed in areas that receive heavy animal traffic, such as around waterers, adjacent to feed bunks, in holding areas and near gates. While the installation costs of concrete pads may be higher than other materials, you are going to save money in the long term, because you reduce the amount of wasted feed and get better gains on your livestock.

The thickness of the pad will depend on the type of livestock you have, stocking density and whether the area also gets a lot of equipment traffic. Areas with livestock traffic require a pad that is at least 4 inches thick placed on several inches of gravel. Trucks, tractors and other heavy equipment need concrete pads at least 5 to 6 inches thick.

A hilltop or sloped surface is often the best location for a hard surface pad, as they tend to be away from most waterways and will allow nearby vegetation to filter stormwater runoff. Make sure the location also drains away from feed bunkers, waterers and roads.

Concrete pads need to have a solid foundation to be successful. Prepare the site by removing topsoil until you reach soil that is easily compacted and make sure the area is level. Use at least 6 inches of compacted dense grade aggregate to provide a solid base for a concrete pad. Inadequate foundation preparation can cause a concrete pad to fail or freeze or damage water pipes.

Horse owners should similarly prepare their sites but should construct their pads using geotextile fabrics followed by 6-inch layer of crushed limestone and finished with 2-to-3 inches of dense grade aggregate. Create a more durable surface by compacting the dense grade aggregate using a small, smooth-drum roller like those used for asphalt projects.

More information about installing hard surfaces on your farm is available in the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service publications AEN 115: Appropriate all-weather surfaces for livestock and ID-164: High traffic area pads for horses. They are available online at <http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agcomm/pubs/aen/aen115/aen115.pdf> and <http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agcomm/pubs/id/id164/id164.pdf> or you can get a hard copy from the Meade County Extension Office.

For more information on frost seeding contact Meade County Cooperative Extension Service or visit the UK Forage Extension Website.

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Meade County cornfields projected to sprout solar panels in 2022

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff



As reported in October of last year, two solar farms will soon have homes in Meade County, if approved. One site, located about 4 miles west of Flaherty between Big Springs Road and Stith Valley Road, will be close to 400 acres spread across three different farms. The other site, located along the Highway 79 corridor of Meade and Breckinridge Counties, will be close to 1,500 acres spread across multiple farms from Midway to Irvington. Though the construction of the two solar farms will both be for the purpose of selling energy harvested from the sun, the agendas of the two separate companies which are heading up each project appear to be quite different.

The site outside Flaherty is known as Meade County Solar and is being developed by Community Energy based out of Radnor, PA. This development plans to have an output of 40 megawatts of energy which will be sold exclusively to Big Rivers Electric Corporation. It is projected to produce 91 million kilowatt-hours of electricity per year which is equal to 85 percent of the electric consumption for all households in Meade County, according to Community Energy.

The site along the HWY 79 corridor will

be known as Green River Solar. It was originally being developed by Oser, but now appears to be under Merino Solar as the "Project Company" which was formed in April of 2020 "as a special purpose entity to own and develop the project" according to paperwork filed in the Clerk's office. Both companies are under the Orion Renewable Energy Group out of Oakland, CA. This site will be a 200 megawatt facility, but its energy appears to be possibly destined for the Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO). NIPSCO filed a petition to the Indian Utility Regulatory Commission on Dec. 23, 2020 for approval to buy 100 percent of the energy generated by what will be known as Green River Solar.

The developers of both sites are working their way through the final requirements and approvals they must complete to begin work on the sites. They both appear to be shooting for construction to begin sometime in 2022 and have the sites online, producing electricity, by late 2022 or early 2023.

So why Meade County? This is a ques-

tion many citizens have been asking in what has become a controversial topic in some corners of the county. Some like change; some don't. Some support renewable energy as a necessity to combat climate change. Some see solar panels as an unsustainable, land gobbling tax loophole that can never meet the demands of an energy devouring juggernaut such as the United States. Will they pollute our water table? Will they drive up or drive down property values? Who's going to ultimately pay for these projects? Will it be passed on to the citizens of Meade County? Will electric rates drop?

There have been many questions raised over these two solar projects. In the coming weeks, this investigative series will provide answers to those questions and many more revolving around the solar panels that will soon be popping up in cornfields around southern and western Meade County. Next week: Is the same company that cost Meade County farmers a grain elevator now costing them farm land too? Is green energy costing farmers greenbacks or offering them options?

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Virtual Open House for Green River Solar

Please mark your calendars to attend a "virtual" open house on Tuesday, Feb. 23 to learn more about an innovative solar project proposed by Green River Solar, LLC, a subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, for Meade and Breckinridge counties. Residents are invited to log in or call in to meet our team and discuss the proposed project. For additional information visit: www.GreenRiverSolarProject.com.

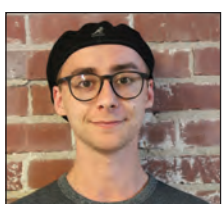
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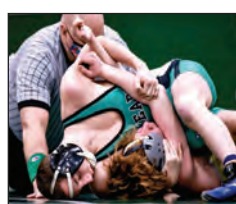
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Fiscal Court works through agenda at February meeting

Solar farms: Why Meade County?



SETH DUKES
Newsroom Coordinator

The Meade County Fiscal Court met for their regular monthly meeting on Feb. 9.

Magistrate Tom Goddard informed the Court that the Muldraugh Fire Department may need their help. The department's breathing apparatuses expire in 2024, and they estimate the cost to replace them at approximately \$168,000. The department has previously purchased the devices through a FEMA grant, a grant that they were denied last year. Though they plan to re-apply this year, Goddard wanted the Court to provide a safety net for them in case they could not get approved for the grant.

"Without those masks, the fire department will have to shut down," said Goddard.

The Court agreed that they would look at the availability of funds in the next budget cycle. In that case, they could see whether or not the grant was approved and then move forward from there.

Brandenburg Mayor Ronnie Joyner approached the Court in hopes of partnering with the county to help pay for two city projects. The first was replacing the wooden boat dock with an aluminum one. Joyner said that they have to replace the dock, made of treated lumber, every few years, and hav-

ing an aluminum one would eliminate that replacement need. He estimated the cost to be \$39,912. He proposed a 60/40 split between the county and city respectfully.

The Court voted to table the issue until the next meeting.

Joyner then proposed another 60/40 split between the county and city to pay for concrete bollards placed every 5 feet around the Confederate monument on the riverfront. He estimated the cost to be approximately \$10,785.

Michael Kelly approached the Court to raise concerns about the payment. Kelly is also a member of the Brandenburg City Council. He said that he would rather see county funds spent elsewhere, such as on handicap accessible playground equipment or emergency services. He proposed that it would be next to impossible for someone to gain enough speed in a vehicle to damage the monument due to its positioning.

The Court voted to table the issue until the next budget meeting since the funds are not currently in the budget.

In other business, Meade County Clerk Judy Jordan informed the Court that their office would be turning over \$238,632.98 in excess fees. Meade County Sheriff Phillip Wimpee reported excess fees in the amount of \$13,109.67.

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

In last week's edition, this series started with a general introduction of the two proposed solar farms that are on pace to start construction in Meade County in 2022. One of the many questions that citizens have over these projects is "Why Meade County?"

As reported, the project in the southern part of the county is being developed by Community Energy with the goal of selling 100 percent of the electricity generated to Big Rivers Electric Corporation. At the time of print, the solar farm in western Meade County and Breckinridge County being developed by Orion Renewable Energy Group had not become completely clear on the goals of its energy production. Northern Indiana Public

Service Company's application to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission appeared to have the electricity destined for Northern Indiana. At last week's Fiscal Court meeting, it was revealed, however, that the project had been purchased by NextEra Energy Resources with plans to sell the energy to Big Rivers also.

On May 27, 2020, Big Rivers Electric Corp. announced that it had "entered into agreements to purchase power from two solar developers who will build, own and operate their facilities in western Kentucky."

"Big Rivers is excited to add this renewable energy source to our portfolio for the sole benefit of our Member-Owners," said Bob Berry, President and CEO of Big Rivers Electric Corporation. "This is another example of our commitment to pro-

vide safe, reliable and sustainable energy to our Members."

This sentiment was echoed by Community Energy in that same press release. These projects are for the betterment of electric consumers, such as Meade County RECC customers.

"Big Rivers is showing impressive leadership with this purchase of solar power from our McCracken County and Meade County projects," said Brent Beerley, President of Community Energy. "Each of Big Rivers' Member-Owners will benefit from the long-term, fixed-priced and low-priced electricity these projects will generate. The region will also benefit from economic development, jobs, and taxes."

Once again, national corporations have chosen Meade County to develop for the greater good of its

citizens. As this press release made clear, both Big Rivers and Community Energy are focused on bringing economic development, jobs, taxes and cheap energy to people of this county.

However, an article in the Henderson Gleaner points to a much different motivation behind this sudden interest in bringing solar farms to Meade County — one of which could ultimately become the largest of its kind in the state.

Big Rivers spokeswoman Jennifer Keach told that paper that it was major industries 'that were increasingly demanding that renewable energy be part of their power supply' which is driving these solar energy developments, namely Nucor Steel which will be purchasing a significant amount of

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Central Kentucky Community Action Council, Inc. Educational Scholarship Fact Sheet for Scholarship Program

Submitted Article

Scholarships are being offered to graduating seniors and GED recipients in this county who are preparing for a career in:

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 - d. One page hand written essay
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The Debt Snowball

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my efforts at work. The moment is filled with excitement no matter how many times it happens. It's also a welcome relief to my personal finances! I even love the act of depositing my check at the bank just to see the monetary value in my account rise.

However as good as payday can feel, that

moment of satisfaction is often short lived. As soon as the money hits my account, it seems like my bills and debt payments are immediately due. Before I know it, the money is gone and I'm looking forward to the next paycheck. The vicious cycle repeats itself every scheduled 2 weeks.

While the money goes more quickly than I would like, my current financial situation is not nearly as bad as it was a few years ago.. At the time, I was living tightly from paycheck to paycheck and was in massive debt. I couldn't afford anything, and buying groceries was a struggle for me. On top of that, I got into a bad habit of using credit cards to afford things I couldn't afford. It was crippling. I got myself so far into a hole that I didn't know how to get

myself out of. When I was about to lose hope, I heard about a man named Dave Ramsey who is known for being a financial guru. Dave has written a few books on how to get out of debt and has helped a lot of people with his knowledge on the subject. Desperate for help, I decided to look him up on the internet and read one of his books for advice.

That is when I came across Dave Ramsey's strategy called "The Debt Snowball". This method is a debt reduction strategy in which you pay off bills in order of smallest to largest, regardless of interest rate. This strategy can help you avoid going into debt in the future and helps you pay off debts one at a time at a much quicker pace.

The first step of the snowball effect is to

create an emergency fund for yourself of \$1000.00. An emergency fund covers life events you can't plan for such as flat tires, a visit to the doctor for illness, or unexpected vet bills. An emergency fund also protects you from having to go further into debt to pay for an unexpected expense.

Once you have money put to the side, the second step is to list your debts from smallest to largest. Make minimum payments on all debts except the smallest. Throw as much money as you can at the smallest debt. Once that debt is gone, take its payment and apply it to the next smallest debt while continuing to make minimum payments on the rest. Dave recommends repeating this method as you plow your way through debt.

the more you pay off, the more your freed-up money grows, like a snowball rolling downhill." -Daveramsey.com

I have used Dave Ramsey's method for five years now. While I am not currently debt free, I have gotten rid of the majority of my debt using this strategy. I had eight substantial debts to pay off at the beginning of my snowball journey and now I only have two debts to pay off before I am completely debt free. Money is still tight for me from time to time but at least I am chipping away at a goal that will free me from living my life in financial burden. They say that 80 percent of the population is in some sort of debt. Thanks to Dave Ramsey's advice, in a couple of years I'll be in the 20 percent who is not.

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electricity from Big Rivers through Meade County RECC.

"Nucor wanted renewables as part of their (power supply) portfolio," Keach told the Gleaner. "These projects being brought in by the (Kentucky) Cabinet (for Economic Development) will tell you they want renewables as part of their portfolio. (These solar energy contracts are) one of the ways we can say, 'We can do that for you.' Within the past year, that has been a big talking point."

So, by their own statements, Big Rivers and these solar farm developers aren't so much concerned with delivering cheap energy, jobs, taxes and economic development to the citizens of Meade County. By Keach's own words, it is another case of whatever Nucor wants; Nucor gets. This time, it's renewable energy.

As one farmer recently stated, "First, they took our grain elevator. Now, they are coming for our croplands."

Magistrate Billy Sipes pointed to this sentiment as well

at last week's Fiscal Court meeting when he hinted at looking at options to halt further development of more solar farms in Meade County after a representative of NextEra said that "if it's not us, there's going to be other companies that come in because the prices are going down, and it's so economical," when asked if more land would eventually be developed in the county for solar farms.

"Here's my reason — we are trying to get a grain company to come in, but if you all (solar developers) come in and take all

the farm ground to put solar panels in, What good does it do us to try to get a granary?" Sipes questioned. "I mean, fair is fair; I understand you all have already acquired some property, but I don't want to see the whole county in solar panels."

With "Why Meade County?" now answered, next week this series will dive into answering questions about environmental impacts, property values and other points of interest surrounding the solar farms being developed within our community.



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Solar farms: Community Energy and Meade County Solar

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In order for the solar projects to be built in Meade County, there are multiple requirements that must be completed. Review and approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission and the federal Rural Utilities Service are two such requirements. With both the President and the Governor being strong supporters of renewable energy, along with the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development being a large player in the Nucor deal and their desire for renewable energy, it would be very unlikely to see any level of federal or state encumbrance in regards to these projects.

They must also achieve county permitting by abiding by Meade County's Solar Ordinance. The county's ordinance appears to be a deficient piece of legislation which was pieced together at some point in 2020. Its inadequacy is due to the fact that it only calls for a solar company to stay at least 25 feet from property lines and 100 feet from residential structures. Yet, Community Energy, the developer of the Meade County Solar project in the southern part of the county, says that they will be setting their solar panels a minimum of 500 feet back from any road or neighboring residence. As such, one could argue that the private company is five times more concerned with Meade County property owners that neighbor these projects than the county government is.

The second part of the county's ordinance is that there must be a seven foot tall fence and "to the extent reasonably practicable, a visual buffer that provides reasonable screening to reduce the view of the solar farm from residential dwelling units on adjacent lots."

Both Community Energy and NextEra Energy, who has bought the solar project being developed in the western part of the county, have stated that they will build fences around each property that has solar infrastructure on

it. Community Energy says that they will be planting a double offset row of evergreens where natural vegetation doesn't exist. It has yet to be seen if these evergreens will be 15 foot or 15 inches tall at the time of planting. If the latter is chosen, it would meet the county's "reasonable screening" ordinance, though, it may be in the last few years of the 20-30 year lease contracts that these companies have signed with property owners before the evergreens reach a height that neighbors find them capable of providing "reasonable screening."

On the state level, these two companies are seeking Construction Certificates from the Kentucky Public Service Commission. These certificates will be issued by the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting. The Siting Board evaluates environmental impacts, economic impacts and the solar facilities proposed impact on Kentucky's electric transmission grid. This board is composed of three members of the Public Service Commission along with the Secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Energy and Environment, the Secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, the chairman of the Meade County Planning Commission and a resident of the county appointed by the Governor.

The Siting Board review, according to Community Energy, takes approximately nine months and is composed of six key steps: a public meeting, application, evidentiary hearing, local hearing, decision and appeal (if needed). Community Energy held their public meeting earlier this month and will be the focus for the rest of this article, as NextEra has not yet held their public meeting. They plan to submit their formal application on May 5. The evidentiary and local hearings are optional and are to be determined at a later date. The decision step of the Siting Board is anticipated to take place at some point during the fourth quar-

ter of this year.

As previously reported, Community Energy plans to build a 40 megawatt solar farm on two sites comprising approximately 370 acres located on Big Spring Road and Stith Valley Road just west of Flaherty. This came about after Big Rivers Electric Corporation conducted a competitive bid process, seeking to buy solar energy last year under a long term fixed-priced contract which Community Energy was selected for.

The project will consist of 104,000 three foot by five foot solar panels attached to a racking systems that will rotate, tracking the sun's path through the sky each day. The panels are silicon celled panels that have been used since the 1970s. They are composed of roughly 85 percent glass, 8 percent aluminum, 6 percent silicon and 1 percent wiring (copper, silver and zinc).

During the meeting, I asked if these panels contained any toxic materials such as lead and cadmium, as has been reported from some solar projects where pollution has been an issue in the past. With Meade County being home to many sink holes as a result of the limestone composition of the bedrock in that part of the county, this has been an area of great concern for some, especially those whose water supply comes from wells.

"They will have a small amount of lead in that it has an electrical

circuit box on the back which will have solder like every other piece of equipment in our homes that has a small amount of lead. So I can't say it doesn't have some lead in it somewhere," explained Chris Killenberg, Regional Development Director for Community Energy. "It does not have cadmium which is an ingredient in a kind of solar panel called thin film. These are silicon based, old-style if you will, panels. So, there's no cadmium, selenium and some of the other chemicals that you see, and there's no liquids."

Killenberg went on to say he thought around 90 percent of the materials in these type panels were recyclable, and that there were no hazardous materials in them. He also said that the environmental study they had performed by Copperhead Environmental Consulting found that there were some wetlands and streams that had been identified, and that any setbacks or buffers that are required would be observed. There were also three species of bats that are threatened or endangered in the area. Some trees will have to be cut, but this will not happen during the time of year when these bats are roosting in those trees.

Next week, this series will continue coverage of Community Energy's public meeting, focusing on land values, economic impacts, project costs and what that means for Meade County residents.

Meade County RECC battles winter weather



Submitted Photo

Winter weather last week caused outages that RECC was quick to restore.

Submitted Article

Meade County RECC is your local electric cooperative. We live in the communities we serve and are your friends and neighbors. We provide electric service to nearly 30,000 member-owners across all or portions of six counties. Breckinridge, Meade, Ohio, Grayson, Hancock and Hardin. Through the past year of a pandemic to the recent ice, snow and brutal cold, we have been there for you when it mattered most. Providing safe, reliable, and affordable electric service to power your life!

During our recent winter weather events, our well-maintained system held up strong. With just a few scattered outages, our crews worked until the power was restored each time. Maintenance through out the year keeps

the trees off the power lines and provides for a higher level of reliability during these events.

Upon the completion of our restoration efforts, as electric co-ops always do, Meade County RECC sent seven (7) linemen to other electric cooperatives across the state for assistance. As winter weather continues, we always assure our members are taken care of first, then we go and help others in need.

Meade County RECC stood strong with our members through all the challenges of 2020. We are prepared and ready for what the rest of 2021 has in store for us. Meade County RECC is always here for you when you need us the most. We are your friends and neighbors and work hard to provide you with safe, affordable, and reliable electric service to power your life.

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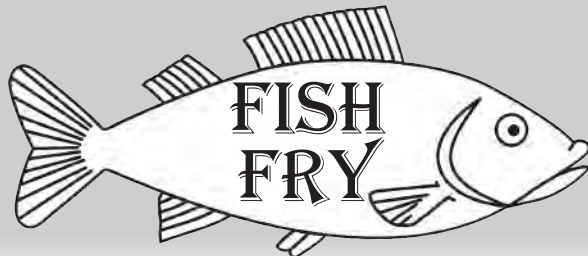
Notice to Meade County Citizens

Effective March 1st Recycling windows inside the gate will reopen

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Messenger wins 12 Kentucky Press Association Awards



Messenger staff pictured with some of their awards from the Kentucky Press Association.

Editorial by
CRYSTAL LEO
General Manager

When I started working at the Meade County Messenger in August of 2019, never in my wildest dreams did I think a job could give me so much in such a short amount of time. A paycheck is wonderful, but do you know what is unbelievably better? Working at a place where your coworkers feel like family and doing something you believe in. The fact that I have come to love the news industry in its entirety does not hurt either.

I started working for the Messenger as a part time Ad Sales Executive. I had no clue that by October of 2020 I would be the newly appointed General Manager, and therefore in charge of submitting our Kentucky Press Association Award entries for the year. The idea of it all was over-

whelming, especially since I was still learning the news industry itself. However, I took on the task with a whole heart because I was utterly impressed with a good deal of the work my coworkers had produced for the given time period, and I felt they deserved the chance to possibly be recognized by the KPA.

For those who do not know who the KPA is, it was founded January 13, 1869, in Frankfort. KPA is the nation's 10th oldest state press association. The purpose of the Kentucky Press Association is defined in its By-Laws: "The purpose of this corporation is to promote the interests of its members, the newspapers of Kentucky; to expand their field of endeavor; to maintain a high code of ethics among all journalists; to enhance the usefulness of the newspaper industry and to pro-

mote and maintain a spirit of fraternal regard among its members; and to do any and all things necessary to carry out the purposes of this corporation."

Every year the KPA hands out awards for the content that newspapers produce between October 1 of the previous year through the end of September of the current year. There are two contests to enter: News and Advertising. Both contests are relatively self-explanatory. The News Awards cover facets of the actual news from stories to photography, while the Advertising Awards covers advertising a paper has produced. What some might not know is that there are several in depth sub-categories that a newspaper can enter such as "Best Investigative Story", "Best Sports Picture" or "Best General News Picture" for

the News contest. Or, for the Advertising Contest, "Best Group Promotion", "Best Use of Color" to sub-categories for certain industries such as banks and automotive.

Since I was short on time, 21 of our 25 entries were submitted for the News Awards, with the remaining 4 entries going to the Advertising Awards. Next year I hope to submit more entries for the Advertising Awards now that I understand how some of this works better, but 25 entries overall between the two contests is not bad. Imagine our surprise, and absolute pride, when we were notified later on that we had won 12 KPA Awards this year!

This truly is a testament to how hard your Messenger staff has worked over the

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COVID-19 update

SETH DUKES
Newsroom Coordinator

As of March 2, Meade County has 1,943 total cases of COVID-19. Of those, 69 are active, 1,855 have recovered, and 19 have died according to the Lincoln Trail district Health Department

Vaccinations are still

being administered across the state. Those age 70 and older are still prioritized, however, the LTDHD has allowed expanded past registrations to those over age 60. Vaccinations were most recently administered by the LTDHD on March 3 and March 4. Additional doses of the Johnson & John-

son vaccine are slated to arrive at independent pharmacies this week.

Recently, Gov. Beshear announced a move into Phase 1C on March 1. The LTDHD has not opened registration to those in groups 1C at this time.

"Because this phase encompasses such a large group of eli-

gible people and vaccine quantities are not sufficient at this time to open to all IC, LTDHD will phase in additional groups within 1C," the LTDHD said in a press release. "Please monitor our website to determine which

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Donation made to Wigs for Kids



Lana Shoemaker, 11, donated 17 inches of her hair to Wigs for Kids. Though this is her first time donating, she plans to continue doing it each year. Keep an eye out in future Messenger editions for a feature story on Lana!

NextEra Energy Resources' Green River Solar Project slated for 2023 completion



SETH DUKES
Newsroom Coordinator

NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, the world's largest generator of renewable wind and solar energy, is currently in the permitting phase of their solar project that will produce up to 200 megawatts of clean energy in Meade and Breckinridge counties. They purchased the project from Orion Renewable Energy Group last January.

Scheduled for completion in 2023, the Green River Solar Project encompasses approximately 1,440 acres of land, which is the largest solar project currently proposed in Kentucky. It will provide \$7.5 million in tax revenue for Meade and Breckinridge counties, estimated over the first 30 years of the project, and construction will create up to 300 jobs. The project is designed to operate for at least 25 to 30 years.

Project Director John O'Hair says that the project will provide interested landowners with an opportunity to diversify their income by "farming the sun."

"We've had a very large number of landowners in both counties seek to be a part of this

project," said O'Hair. "I think it's because they realize that it's not only economically beneficial to them, but also to the community."

Landowners may enter into either a lease or purchase agreement with NextEra Energy Resources. The landowners will get a dollar amount annually per acre used. At the end of the lease period, the company will execute a decommissioning plan, reconstituting the land to the way it existed prior to the project. They are still actively pursuing landowner partners, focusing on the area along the border of Meade and Breckinridge counties. Typically, five to six acres of land are required for each megawatt of solar energy capacity.

NextEra Energy Resources does not have an agreement to sell the power they produce to Big Rivers. They have an interconnection agreement with Big Rivers, but their contractual electrical agreement is with NIPSCO (Northern Indiana Public Service Company).

For more information, visit www.greenriversolarproject.com or the Green River Solar Project Facebook page.

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Solar farms: Community Energy and Meade County Solar — Part Two



An aerial view of the proposed solar farm project on Big Spring Rd. and Stith Valley Rd. four miles west of Flaherty. | From Community Energy's website

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

This week's article on the Meade County solar projects series will pick up where it left off last week, covering Community Energy's public meeting.

Besides the environmental impact, one of the big concerns of some residents living within close proximity of these solar projects is what impact these solar farms will have on their property values. Community Energy had a 'Property

Value Impact Study' conducted to evaluate whether there would be a negative impact on property values in Meade County due to their project.

According to them, the six areas which have the most influence on surrounding property values for a project are: hazardous materials, odor, noise, traffic, stigma and appearance. The study claimed to find there are no hazardous materials or odors associated with solar farms, no instances of audible

sounds at the periphery of the solar farms inspected, no significant impact to traffic, no negative stigma against solar farms as a neighboring use and no negative visual impacts due to enhanced setbacks and buffers from neighboring residences. As a result, it concluded that "the proposed solar farm would not likely have a negative impact on local property values."

Community Energy plans on starting construction in 2022, pending approval of

a Construction Certificate. It is anticipated that during the 6-9 months of construction that there will be approximately 150 construction jobs associated with the project. Chris Kellenberg, Regional Development Director for the company, said that many of these jobs will be local hirings. A lot of these jobs will not require a skilled trade, as they will be positions assembling the racking system and panels. There will also be a need for local trades such as electric, surveying, earthmoving, fencing and landscaping. Kellenberg said that anyone in any of these trades interested in possibly working on the project can contact Community Energy. They maintain a list of local vendors and will pass that on to the construction contractor.

Once construction is completed, there will be 2-3 full-time jobs which will be involved with operations and maintenance of the solar farm. One of the main duties of these jobs will be mowing and weed eating, along with preventive maintenance and repairs.

During the meeting, I asked Kellenberg what

the anticipated cost for this project would be, and who would ultimately pay that cost — Community Energy, Nucor, Big Rivers or the customers of Meade County RECC — since Community Energy plans to turn over ownership of the farm once it is completed, at this time, undisclosed, at this time, He said he deferred for the moment to disclose the cost or name of the private entity.

"There will be a private investor that will pay for this. When I say private investor, it is going to be a large company, sometimes a utility, sometimes an investment fund, but someone who is familiar with owning and operating a power generating facility," Kellenberg explained. "So in the past, the investors of our projects have included Dominion Energy, Duke Power, people like that, but it could also be an investment fund that is specifically for the purpose of owning and operating and holding power generating assets like that."

According to Community Energy, the project will not cost the citizens of Meade

County anything, through taxes or increased energy rates. In fact, they say the solar farm will "pay substantial taxes over 30 years" that will be many multiples of the current tax rate on the land.

"No money will be required from the citizens of Meade County or the customers of Meade County Electric to fund the project. It is completely privately funded, and the power is cost competitive, so it shouldn't negatively affect rates either," explained Kellenberg. "From the ratepayers perspective, it should be a neutral event or positive because it locks in a low price over a long period of time."

It wasn't that long ago that Meade Countians heard similar claims on another large investment in the community. Will PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) programs come into play once again with one or both of the solar farms slated to be built? Who will be the private investor and will they get huge tax breaks and incentives for investing in green energy, further evading Meade County property taxes? Only time will tell.

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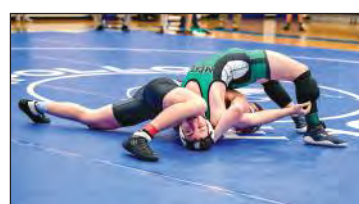
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Tucker Bradley wins the Bill "Mr. Wildcat" Keightley Award



TUCKER BRADLEY

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

Meade County High School senior Tucker Bradley has been selected to be the Fourth Annual Bill "Mr. Wildcat" Keightley Award recipient. The award honors a Kentucky high school senior basketball manager, who exemplifies the essence of "team player"; a person who supports their team with passion, dedica-

tion and enthusiasm while also performing well off the court, in the classroom and in the community, according to the press release.

"The biggest lesson I've learned from managing Meade County's girls basketball team is the importance of humility and putting other people's needs before my own. I've always grown up as the one playing in the game, so I never truly appreciated the importance of managers until I became one," Bradley said in the release. "Through my experience as a manager, I've learned that my role is to do anything necessary to keep the team operating at a high level."

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Ekron Elementary Academic Team makes school history



Photo submitted

The Ekron Elementary Academic Team. Back row: Coach Eileen Shacklett, Marie Galloway, Jaxon Ziegler, Coach Julie Watts. Front row: Jayden Hulbert, Dannie Caster, Connor Shacklett, Jaxon Childs, Kendall Buchanan, Lanie Gerkins.

SETH DUKES
Newsroom Coordinator

Ekron Elementary's Academic Team, coached by teachers Eileen Shacklett and Julie Watts, is no stranger to success. After claiming their sixth consecutive district championship on Feb. 20, they set their eyes on the regional championship on March 6. Regional

Champion is a title they've gotten close to before, being runners-up in 2000, third in 2020, and fourth in 2015 and 2017.

The competition consisted of both a written assessment and a quick recall challenge. The written assessment team included Kendall Buchanan, Dannie Caster, Jaxon Childs, Lainie Gerkins, Ma-

rie Galloway, Jayden Hulbert, Connor Shacklett, and Jaxon Ziegler. Lainie Gerkins placed first, Kendall Buchanan placed second, and Jayden Hulbert placed fifth on the language arts assessment. Marie Galloway placed second, and Dannie Caster placed third in written composition.

Connor Shacklett worked to defend his

2020 title as the Regional Social Studies Written Assessment Champion this year. Not only is he still the reigning champion, but he placed 4th in the state on the assessment.

The quick recall team, which included Dannie Caster, Marie Galloway, Jayden

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Fiscal Court repeals solar ordinance, funds History Museum at March meeting

SETH DUKES
Newsroom Coordinator

The Meade County Fiscal Court met for their monthly meeting on March 9.

The Court had previously been asked by the City of Brandenburg to split the cost of an aluminum boat dock for the river. Magistrate Eli Dix suggested that the Court table the request until they prepare their budget this year so that funds can be specifically allocated. Magistrate Tom Goddard made a motion in support, which was seconded by Dix. Magistrate Gary Chapman said that they would help support the city on the project in some manner. The motion to table the action passed unanimously.

The City of Brandenburg also requested that the parking

lot near Durhams be striped. This lot is still county property, and Judge-Executive Stith said that they could stripe it in house, making the cost negligible. County Attorney Jessica Brown Roberts suggested quitclaiming the property to the city in the future. A motion to stripe the lot was made by Chapman, seconded by Magistrate Billy Sipes, and passed unanimously.

The Court then discussed funding for the History Museum. As of the meeting, the museum received \$12,000 a year in funding from the county. That money is primarily being spent on rent, and the museum has plans of expanding and needs further funding to rent more space.

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Welcome to the Gun Show, Part One

CRYSTAL LEO
General Manager

Last weekend, the Kentucky Farm Bureau Building was full of Meade Countians, and those from nearby, who were celebrating or looking to add to their 2nd Amendment right. The annual RK Gun Show was in town, and the place was packed with both vendors and customers alike.

RK Gun shows claims to be one of the largest gun and knife show promoters in the US with 29 years of experience. They travel the country year-round, giving an avenue for both small town businesses and big-time vendors to show and sell their wares including guns, hunting supplies, military surplus and outdoor gear. Giving spectators and consumers a well-rounded visit is not their only concern, however.

Upon inspection of their website, and at the entrance to their event, you are met with signs that state 'Safety is first at all of RK Shows Events, so we will have security and check-in points for the safety of our attendees and vendors.' However, what is not posted on a sign, but is told to you verbally, is that pictures are not allowed to be taken inside the event. The explanation for that directive was that the vendors and patrons do not like to have photos taken during the event.

Torin Kehrli is one of the RK Gun Show event organizers. When asked what brought their show to Brandenburg every year he stated, "The geographic area that it's close to Louisville. It's a good hub, or spot, to attract a good crowd for the show".

Kehrli also noted that in spite of the COVID-19 pan-

demic, there was still a strong number of vendors and customers in attendance this year.

"There's approximately 26-30 vendors, or companies, at the Meade County show. It's the equivalent to approximately 90 tables worth of goods for sale".

The RK Gun Show organizers were incredibly pleased to see that, even with the COVID-19 pandemic still in effect, many flocked to see what vendors had on hand this year. Kehrli also pointed out that it is good for local Meade County tourism.

"Every year we come, not just us but the vendors too, and we book hotel rooms and go out to eat. So, in a way we're also giving back to the Brandenburg community."

One of the vendors attending the show this year was a wom-

an who represented Lakepoint Outdoors from Cartersville, Georgia. She asked to remain anonymous, but when asked how she was enjoying her time at the RK Gun show here in Brandenburg, replied "It's been great. There's fun people here. Nice people here. I've been having a great time."

While Lakepoint Outdoors did not sell guns themselves, they did sell a variety of conversion kits, pop smoke and pocket-knives.

David Wilds, who is the owner of KY Safety Tech out of McKee had numerous tables full of inventory for sale ranging from guns, gun accessories, stun guns, pepper spray to handmade leather holsters, belts and slings made by the owner himself.

"I've been in business about ten years,

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Judge-Executive Stith suggested that the funding be bumped up to \$20,000 a year. Dix made the motion, and Magistrate Steve Wardrip seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and that funding will come into effect beginning July 1.

Judge-Executive Stith proclaimed April 11 through April 17 as National Public Safe-

ty Communicators Week. He also proclaimed April 2, 2021 as Arbor Day in the county.

Members of the public were present to voice their concerns over a proposed zoning change on Old State Road. The change, which was requested by Pike and Tucker LLC, of the 2.5-acre lot's zoning classification from R-1 to R-3 would allow a developer to build a duplex, which some residents

were opposed to. Ultimately, the Court voted to approve the zoning request 5-1 with Wardrip voting no.

The Court then discussed the county's solar ordinance. It appeared as though the Court felt their ordinance wasn't restrictive enough. Sipes made a motion to repeal the current solar ordinance and have a work session to create another, more restrictive ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

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and when I first started out, I only had two tables selling pepper spray and stun guns." Waving a hand to the approximately nine tables around him, he continued, "Now I'm up to all of this. I also travelled to Springfield, Missouri three times so that I could learn how to make leather holsters, slings and some other leather goods by hand."

Wilds runs the business with his family. His youngest son and his daughter work by his side, but at one time, his oldest son worked with him at the gun shows as well. "My eldest son, he used to help me. He passed away six years ago. He was born with spina bifida and they told him he wouldn't be able to do nothing. He ended up being on the volunteer fire department and he was the best engineer we had. He could keep the engine running better than anyone else. He was the one who got me into the fire department too."

Wilds is a busy man. In addition to running KY Safety Tech and

travelling all over the state of Kentucky to sell his wares, he is also a carpenter four days a week and still somewhat active in the volunteer fire department.

Wilds said that sales have slowed down recently.

"Up to two months ago it was business as usual. Very busy. It's slowed down in the last four weeks. I think that some of the scare is starting to wear off."

After asking for further explanation on what he meant by the word 'scare', Wilds indicated the newly appointed Biden administration.

The organizer and both vendors were asked the same question when it came to the Biden Administration, "Are you worried that there will be any future legislation from Biden that might change the atmosphere of the gun market?"

The anonymous vendor declared, "No. People are still going to have their own interest. They can't take that away."

Wilds answered, "I think it's going to shut down most of the gun shows and events." He went on to add that he knew of gun store

in Berea that has been so busy with sales due the 'scare' that he had been averaging sales monthly that he would normally average in an entire year.

A statement that is not exactly surprising since it was recently reported by multiple major news networks such as The Washington Post and USA Today that U.S. gun sales in January surged 60% to 4,137,480, making it the largest single month since figures started to be recorded in 1998. All of which is part of the overall 2020 trend where gun sales in the U.S. rose 40% to 39,695,315.

The most memorable answer to the potential legislation from Biden question came from Kehrlri however, who said, "It's never really guaranteed, even under the prior administration, it's never a guarantee period. But under the Biden administration it's definitely not looking like sunshine and rainbows coming up."

Tune in next week to read what Biden has reportedly plans to pursue when it comes to new, or re-instated, gun legislation during his term.

Ekron

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Hulbert, Connor Shacklett, and Jaxon Childs, would spend seven straight hours on Saturday in matches. They got off to a rough start, losing the first match of the double-elimination event. However, that would be their final loss. They fought their way through the loser's bracket, defeating Hardinsburg Elementary twice to claim the championship.

Once all the points

were totaled, Ekron Elementary earned the title Regional Champions of the Governor's Cup. This is the first time in school history that the team has won the coveted title.

"I am so thankful for the opportunity to work with this amazing group of students and to witness their sportsmanship and determination firsthand," said Coach Shacklett. "They have persevered and thrived, even under the most challenging of circumstances. I am so proud of each

one of them." "This is a very special group of kids, and I am so blessed to be able to work with them," said Coach Watts. "Of course, we cannot take all of the credit. Their parents have prioritized education first to create that foundation of hard work and willingness to grow. Each of these kiddos were stretched beyond what they thought they could accomplish. You will never know your full potential unless you keep challenging yourself."

Tucker

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This experience will serve me well in the future, when I start off at the bottom in my workplace and have to prove my work-ethic and accountability to fellow employees."

Bradley says his dream is to work for ESPN and that managing the basketball team should serve him well in those regards.

"Managing the basketball team has given me the opportunity. To cut up film and interpret the importance of different statistics on the outcome of the game," Bradley explained. "In that regard, being a manager now has given me a small glimpse into my future career."

Bradley has also played varsity tennis since middle school and won the Region 3 Championship in

2019, but was unable to defend that championship in 2020, due to COVID-19 forcing the cancellation of the season. Bradley is also active in Students Against Destructive Decisions, Future Business Leaders of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the National Honor Society. He also serves as the Student Body Vice President, as a student ambassador at MCHS, on the Superintendent Advisory Board and took part in the Governor's Scholar Program. In the community, Bradley volunteers for the Meade County Public Library and at Radiant Church's Kids Ministry where he is a part of the Youth Ministry Team.

Bill Keightley, the award's namesake, served his country in World War II af-

ter joining the U.S. Marines. In 1962, he began serving as the Equipment Manager for the University of Kentucky men's basketball team. This is a post he would hold until his death in 2008. In his 46 year tenure, he would serve Adolph Rupp, Joe B. Hall, Eddie Sutton, Rick Pitino, Tubby Smith, and Billie Gillespie. Not only would he go down as one of the most recognized basketball managers of all time, but he would be a part of teams that won three NCAA Championships and 12 SEC Conference Championship during his tenure.

Tucker Bradley is the son of Randall and Shannon Bradley. He plans on attending Anderson University to play tennis and major in sports marketing and accounting.

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An uncompromising court may land Meade County in another lawsuit and trample the Constitution in the process

*Editorial by
CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff*

When I came into this job with the paper almost two years ago, it didn't take me long to butt heads with the late Judge Lynn and the magistrates that made up the Fiscal Court. It was never anything personal, but in my role as professional observer in the peanut gallery, I could not in good conscience sugar coat controversial decisions just because I happened to like or respect many, if not all, members of that court. Turning a blind eye to one side of the story just to console the conscience of public servants with an "atta boy" goes against journalism's core.

I still have a cartoon a former employee drew for me back then hanging on my office wall depicting the magistrates as bobbleheads. I ultimately decided not to further pursue the refinement of the political cartoon for publication, but it was an accurate depiction of the court. No matter if it was several billion dollars in bonds, the county's

insurance rate increasing by over \$100,000, or a whole slew of other issues, there never seemed to be one controversial or questionable enough to raise muster for the slightest bit of discussion by the magistrates. The Judge would call for a motion, would hear no discussion, and the magistrates would bobble their heads up and down in unanimous approval. That sentiment, as I have already stated, has nothing to do with being mean-spirited. I get paid to observe and relay those observations to the readers of this newspaper, and I was far from the only person who noticed that trend.

One such bobblehead approval was that of the county's solar ordinance that was unanimously voted into law over a year ago by our current Fiscal Court, with the exception of Leslie Stith who was not serving as Judge Executive at that time. Now, those same magistrates, or at least a majority of the contingency, wish to renege on their own unanimous decision by overturning the

ordinance in pursuit of a more restrictive one. The only problem is, regarding the two solar projects being developed in Meade County, that ship has already sailed by their own lack of foresight well over a year ago.

I am not sure if it's public pressure or political aspirations in the general election next year that has the court wishing to reverse course, but justification aside, this appears to be yet another glaring failure of the magistrates' short sightedness once again coming back to bite them.

Whether we like it or hate it, those landowners around the HWY 79 corridor have been in negotiations with this solar project for 4-5 years now. They have paid big money to bring in specialty lawyers to represent them and review the contracts the solar companies offered. They have received the blessing of the county government through the ordinance passed over a year ago. The contracts have long been logged in the county's Deed Book. And now

just months before the final approval by the Kentucky Public Service Commission which would allow construction to begin, the same magistrates that rubbed the bottle in the first place wish to put the genie back in.

When NextEra Project Development Manager John O'Hair brought up the fact that they had already purchased land beside the Big Rivers substation on the corner of HWY 79 and Guston Rd., and the proposed change to a 250-foot setback from roads would make it impossible for the company to place their transformer beside the substation to interconnect their underground transmission lines to the substation thus forcing them to build an overhead transmission line which they ensured the property owners in their contracts would not happen, Magistrate Billy Sipes questioned why they would have bought any land prior to anything being approved.

To which O'Hair replied, "Well, you had a previous solar or-

dinance that we had gone under and designed our project on. We had agreed with the landowners under that previous assumption. We had purchased the land under the previous assumption and that had been in the works for many months."

Sipes went on to say, "And another thing on our setbacks, one reason we stiffened the setbacks up, especially from the road, is for the safety of drivers because we've seen many wrecks go way out, way back off the road and to be tied up in one of these and that's the reason we are so strong on the setbacks."

Landowner Harold Millay was quick to point out that such a sentiment was far from fair.

"You need to treat every business the same. We're talking about the setbacks. You can drive down the Bypass and there's a substation right there on the road. I live by a substation that's expanding out every day. It's within 250 feet. So, I'm just saying let's go by the same rules and be fair for everybody. I

don't think we should be shut out because they have to follow stricter rules than other businesses do."

The right to own land and the right to Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness on that land, free from burdensome government overreach, is fundamental to the Constitution of this country. A man's word and a handshake have long been not only the gospel but a defining characteristic of this great county. I am afraid the current course our court appears to be charted on runs the risk of trampling both of these aforementioned sacred truths. Not to mention, they open the county up to be in its second lawsuit in as many years with its own constituents first for failing to be transparent and upfront with one group and now for renege on their word to another group in pursuit of burdensome government overreach on private landowners' rights, regardless of how any of us feel about solar farms. It's a slippery slope best avoided at all costs.

Letter to the Editor: Private schools on the rise, but why?

Clarification

In last week's edition of the Meade County Messenger, a Letter to the Editor was mistakenly labeled as being written by Chad Hobbs. That letter, republished below, was written by the submitter and not by Chad Hobbs. The Meade County Messenger apologizes for any confusion.

Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you? What did you learn from the experience? I have recently experienced a few of those within the Meade County school transportation system. I am fully aware that Meade County is in need of school bus drivers. That being said, I was recently told my son's bus driver was not finishing out the school year as his driver anymore. I was surprised. I was informed he would be assigned a new one. I was also informed that his pick up time will be 6:45 a.m. School doesn't resume until almost 8:00 a.m. I was shocked since we only live 5 miles from the school. I can actually see it from my back porch. I was even more annoyed at the fact that

I was told he would be the first one picked up and the last one let off! He's only seven. An hour ride each way to school seems extremely long and unnecessary considering the proximity in which we live. He would be traveling approximately over 15 miles one way before he reaches school. How is this making better usage of taxpayers money? Especially when a bus driver actually lives on my road and drove my son last year. This would be the fourth bus driver my son has had in two years. So the previous bus driver's route is having to be split between other drivers. Which means more work load for the same pay. It's what is most convenient for the majority of riders in attendance; that's how I understood it.

Since we live on a state road with only one, possibly two riders, we are not the majority. Then, when I contacted the superintendent of transportation I was told that this was the only option they had for me. But is it really? Although my thoughts are that was precisely what was intended in the first place. That's why I'm wanting to bring these setbacks to someone's attention. I would encourage someone to examine the Meade County school transportation system, and how they communicate and handle their services with the taxpayers of Meade County. Obstacles are going to occur but surely not at the expense of taxpayers, employees and students. -Heather Straney of Flaberty

McConnell Blasts Liberal Efforts to Go Soft on Fentanyl Analogues

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) delivered the following remarks today on the Senate floor regarding the opioid crisis:

"Of course, the flow of actual people is not our only border security problem.

"Americans are dying and communities are being hollowed out because foreign drug dealers and profiteers have taken our opioid crisis as a business opportunity.

"Fentanyl and fentanyl analogues that pour into our country impose a staggering, tragic cost.

"In 2020, the CDC recorded more overdose deaths than any year on record. They attributed the spike primarily to synthetic opioids like fentanyl.

"My home state of Kentucky logged a 50% year-on-year increase in overdose deaths.

"Fentanyl and its constantly-changing analogues are as toxic and lethal an illegal drug as there is. We're talking about substances that can be orders of magnitude more potent than morphine.

"Customs and Border Protection say fentanyl seizures jumped more than 70% in FY 2020. They're on pace for another record year in 2021. Much of this poison is manufactured in and exported from China.

"The scope of this crisis is staggering. But incredibly, some on the political left want to respond to this national crisis by letting the criminal status of fentanyl analogues lapse this spring.

"People want to let these drugs become legal.

"I'm not making this up. Fentanyl analogues are poised to fall off the schedule of controlled substances in just weeks if Con-

gress does not act, and some corners of the soft-on-crime left want us to do nothing. They are unhappy with the sentences that can be imposed on drug dealers as a result.

"These people are seriously arguing that we should let these substances flow even more freely through American streets and American neighborhoods, costing who knows how many additional American lives, to help some drug dealers avoid prison.

"I understand that even among Democrats who say they don't want to decriminalize these poisons, there is some effort to kick the can a few months with a temporary extension, so that a soft-on-crime bill could be crafted and forcibly paired with this step.

"These are terrible ideas.

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Fiscal Court works through agenda with a new solar ordinance rising to the top

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

The Meade County Fiscal Court met last Tuesday for their regular monthly meeting. Several proclamations were read by Judge Executive Leslie Stith. The first of which was one in honor of Telecommunicator Week. The resolution paid homage to the men and women who serve as emergency 911 dispatchers, and the crucial role they play in the lives of Meade Countians, especially in times of great need. The second proclamation was one in which the Judge declared April 16 as Child

Abuse Awareness and Prevention Day, calling on the county to wear blue on that day and pointing out the roll we all play in helping eradicate child abuse in our community.

The court also heard from Engineer Paul Sanders with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet in regards to 2021's Rural Secondary Road Program. This year the county will receive \$1,207,444 for county road maintenance along with several resurfacing projects on KY 1735 and KY 228.

The court approved the Meade County Extension Office's

budget, approved a request to form an Agriculture District on Fairgrounds Rd. which was made by the Conservation District, and approved a request for Jeana Turner to serve another three year term on the Industrial Authority Board.

County Road Supervisor Jeff Padgett sought the court's approval to bid out two new dump trucks, a new road broom, a bush hog and a code scanner for his vehicle fleet. All these items had been approved previously in the budget but had been put on hold last year due to uncertainties related to the pandemic.

The court gave him approval to move forward and also to extend the county's road salt contract.

Last month, the court voted to overturn the county's solar ordinance in pursuit of a more restrictive one. The first reading of the new ordinance took place at Tuesday night's meeting. The new draft calls for solar farms to have more substantial setbacks not only from property lines (from 50 feet previously to 250 feet in the new one) but also a 250 foot setback from all roads. It also includes new language for decommissioning bonds to

be set up to offset the cost of panel removal at the end of the solar contracts with property owners. Though the first reading passed unanimously, this only meant the court was voting to approve the accuracy of the reading. A new ordinance can not become law until a second reading of the ordinance is approved. This will take place at the May Fiscal Court Meeting, but not before a working session on April 27 at 6 p.m. at the courthouse where amendments and changes can be made in regards to the current language of the solar ordinance. Both John O'Hair,

Project Development Manager of the NextEra Energy project on the HWY 79 corridor and Harold Millay, a property owner that has a contract with NextEra Energy urged the court to reconsider their current draft as it will cause some landowners to be excluded from the project all together, after 4-5 years of negotiations invested in these contracts. If Magistrate Billy Sipes' uncompromising rebuttals to both speakers is any indication of the direction the rest of the court plans to go with this ordinance, the county may find itself in a second lawsuit in as many years.

JENNIFER BRIDGE

Recently, I had a conversation with a relative who was considering trading or sell their vehicle to purchase an SUV. They were trying to weigh the benefits of purchasing a good used vehicle or a new one. We talked through a few things such as interest rate comparisons, warranty, free perks with certain new vehicles such as free oil changes and so on. The new car option may seem safer with warranties and service but sometimes its not cost effective. So, a good used car may be the best option. Buying a reliable, used car may seem like a daunting task, but if you do your research, you can make the process less complicated and save some money. Here are some tips to get you started.

First, have an ideal car in mind based on your preferences and needs. Consider your driving habits, the car's

primary use and your budget to determine a vehicle that works best for you.

Test drive any vehicle before purchasing. You can also ask for the car's maintenance history and VIN number. Use the VIN number to make sure the car has not been stolen or reported salvaged. You can find this information on the National Insurance Crime Bureau's website <https://www.nicb.org/vin-check>. This check is especially important if there's a chance the car could have been flooded. Use the VIN to research any recalls on a car at <https://vinrec.safercar.gov/vin/>.

Know the differences between purchasing from a dealer and a private party seller. Dealers are required by the Federal Trade Commission to display whether the car has any warranty left or if it is being sold "as is" on the Buyer's Guide, which is usually located on the car's window and sometimes referred to

Tips for buying a used car

as the car's "sticker". If the dealer is selling the vehicle "as is," the box will be checked next to those words. If the car has a warranty, make sure you understand what is covered and its expiration. You can also ask the dealer for the name and contact information of the previous owner. Dealers are required by Kentucky law to provide that information to you if asked. Talking to the past owner can provide insight into why the car was traded in, if it was ever wrecked, how many other previous owners exist, if it was regularly serviced, its gas mileage and the vehicle's mileage when sold.

Vehicles purchased from a private seller are understood to be sold "as is," and private sellers do not have to provide buyers with a Buyer's Guide. Also, if there is any warranty remaining on a private purchase, the warranty may not be transferable between buyers.

Before making an

offer, research the fair price of the vehicle and make sure it is within your budget. There are several free website options, such as the Consumer Reports website at <https://www.consumerreports.org/cars/car-value-estimator>. If you need to finance the purchase, talk to a lender to understand what you can afford, current interest rates and estimated monthly payment. Lenders often finance used car purchases at higher interest rates over shorter time periods than new vehicle purchases.

You may also want to have a trusted mechanic inspect the vehicle before you purchase it. This is completely legal regardless of whether you are purchasing from a private seller or dealer and is called a pre-purchase incident inspection.

Kentucky does not have a "lemon law" on used car sales. Once a sale is agreed upon, the buyer does not have any statutory right to cancel the sale, even

immediately after it begins. If a private seller or dealer promises you anything, such as making upfront repairs, as part of the car purchase, have them put it in writing. Verbal promises will not hold up in court if they are broken.

If a used vehicle appears to have super low mileage, have the seller sign a statement saying the mileage is correct. A typical car is driven on average around 14,000 miles each year. It is against the law in Kentucky for a seller to roll an odometer back to a lower mileage. If you believe the mileage has been altered, do not buy the car.

Report any type of consumer fraud to the Kentucky Attorney

General's Consumer Protection Hotline 888-432-9257.

More information on family financial education topics is available by contacting the Meade County office of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service.

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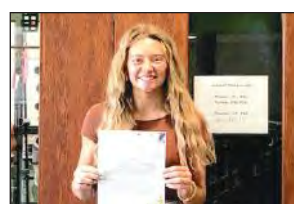
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Woman stabbed, writes down alleged attacker's name with knife still lodged in neck, according to police



JOSE FRANCISCO SEGUNDO
STAFF REPORT

A man was arrested and charged with first-degree assault on April 24 after he allegedly stabbed a woman in the neck. According to law enforcement, dispatch received a call from a woman who stated she was stabbed in the neck with a knife inside a residence in Brandenburg. The woman told police she had broke out the bathroom window and escaped. She wrote the name of the person that stabbed her on a piece of pa-

per while the knife was still in her neck. That name was Jose Francisco Segundo, 48, of Brandenburg. Segundo was still inside the house. After a period of time, he exited the house and surrendered to the Meade County Sheriff's Office. After being detained, deputies noticed and observed blood stains on both of Segundo's hands as well as on the left side of his jaw and upper left ear. Segundo was arrested and transported to the Meade County Sheriff's Office, where he was advised of his legal rights, which he waived, and rendered a verbal recorded statement denying any assault happened. He did, however, admit to being in a verbal argument with the woman. During the interview Segundo provided consent to search his property, and then was escorted to the Meade County Detention Center where he was held on a \$25,000 cash bond.

Meade County Fair slated for full return in 2021 just in time for the 100th fair

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

After being forced to cancel most of the events last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Meade County Fair is slated to make a full return later this summer. In a recent interview, Fair Board Chairman David Pace said that all the major events are contracted, and at this point, the fair board is planning for a full lineup of a seven-day fair. "The main thing right now is we want people to feel comfortable. That's number one," Pace explained. "No one has to come, but we are going to make it as accessible as possible." To that end, Pace said that they feel like the outdoor capacity of the fairgrounds is around 14,000, which even at 60 percent capacity would mean close to 8,500 people would meet guidelines. With Friday

night attendance usually ranging around 8,000 people and other nights ranging somewhere around 5 to 8 thousand, he feels that the outdoor attendance would easily fall within current guidelines. He said that they are looking at their indoor events in buildings such as the Home and Garden Building and the Farm Bureau Building. "Some of that we may have to limit a little bit," Pace said. "Instead of putting six sets of bleachers in there, we may put three sets of bleachers in there to cut those numbers of seats down, but by July, even that could change. We just don't know yet, and he (Gov. Beshear) is saying if another million people get vaccinated there won't be any restrictions." The main thing is they want people to feel safe. To achieve that, the board continues to monitor not

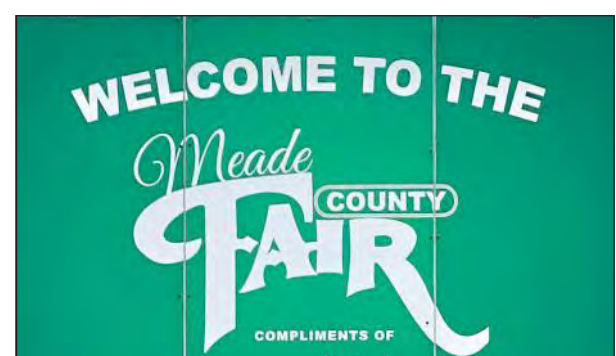


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only guidelines, but also will have plans in place for increased sanitation. This includes more precautions in bathroom facilities, backpack sprayers that will be walking around and spraying sanitizer throughout the day on everything from bleachers to handrails, as well as making hand sanitation stations easily accessible throughout the fairgrounds. The fair rides and gaming booths operated by Kissel will also be returning this year. "They are already in operation. They've been in northern Florida since March

15," Pace said. "They have a plan where they clean in between ever so many rides, and they do sanitation, spraying and wiping down. They have sanitation stations all throughout." Pace said there would be new events, along with some slight rearranging of the traditional fair schedule, such as moving the garden tractor pull from Wednesday night to the main arena on the first Saturday night of the fair. "We are partnering with the Meade County Chamber and

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Body found by boater in Ohio River near Brandenburg

STAFF REPORT

At approximately 9:32 a.m. on Sunday, Meade County Dispatch received a call from a boater stating that he found a body in the Ohio River near 1274 Long Branch Road in Brandenburg, according to officials. Deputy C. Sailor arrived at the scene, and the boater took him 300 yards upriver from the address. Sailor observed a deceased person lying in the water. Louisville Metro Police Department's boat unit arrived at approximately 10:20 a.m. and

removed the body from the river. The body was transported to the Meade County Coroner's Office. Authorities believe the deceased man to be the male that went missing after a boating accident near Louisville on April 17. The accident left two people missing, at least one deceased, and multiple injured. The other missing individual, a woman, is believed to have been found deceased this past Saturday. The Meade County Sheriff's Office says that the investigation is ongoing.

April snow shower brings no solar power



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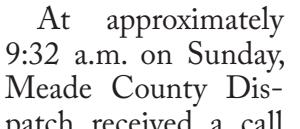
Is the county picking and choosing?



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Tourism, and we're bringing Matt Jones and Ohio Valley Wrestling to Brandenburg," Pace revealed. "They are comparable to Triple A baseball for wrestling; Ohio Valley has a lot of people that make that jump to the top professional level. Plus we are going to have Kentucky Sports Radio here one day."

Pace said that last year they had Monster Trucks slated to make an appearance prior to the cancelation of all motorsports in 2020. He says they are so expensive to contract that they were afraid to take the risk this year when there was still so much uncertainty.

It has been widely reported that many county fairs may never return after last year due to financial issues that

already existed along with complete cancelation in 2020. With Meade County running a very limited fair with no sponsors, gate fees, or any other income in 2020, the fair lost big last year as bills such as electric, water, sewer and upkeep still came in.

"We bit the bullet, but we couldn't do it again this year," Pace explained. "Our Board—I've got to applaud them, though. We made it across the board that we aren't raising the prices on anything this year. The gate is going to stay at \$12, the booth spaces are all staying the same, everything."

So, be sure to mark your calendars. Not only will the Meade County Fair be making its return this July 24 through July 31, but this will also mark Meade County's 100th fair. It should be one to remember.

Battle of the Bluegrass Pulling Series to make two stops in Brandenburg



CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

On Saturday, May 8 at 7 p.m., the Battle of the Bluegrass Pulling Series will make its first of two stops at the Meade County Fairgrounds for the 2021 season. This spring truck and tractor pull will include Light Limited Pro Stock

Tractors, Pro Street Diesel Trucks (2.6), Light Limited Super Stock Tractors, Limited Pro Stock Diesel Trucks (3.0), Light Super Stock Tractors and Pro Stock 4x4 Trucks. The event will cost \$15 per person with children 8 and under getting in free.

Prior to the 2020 COVID-19 cancel-

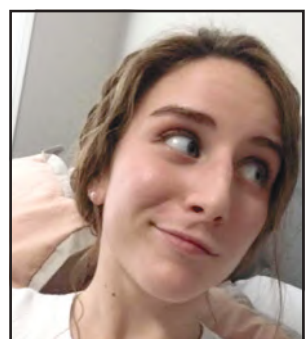
lation of the motorsports schedule at last year's Meade County Fair, this series had been a Tuesday night addition to the fair schedule, complementing the long standing NTPA Grand Nationals Truck and Tractor Pulling Series held on Friday and Saturday nights. Though the

series plans to make a return to the Meade County Fair this year on Tuesday, July 27, this new spring truck and tractor pull is a stand alone event with no ties to the fair outside of renting the arena from the Meade County Fair Board in order to add another pull to the series schedule.

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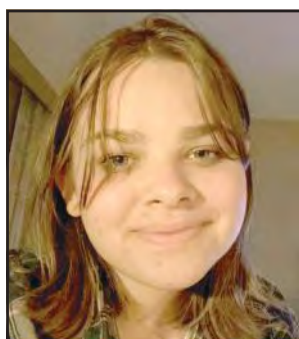
Allie Reardon
Messenger Staff

"With vaccinations being rolled out and things slowly opening back up, what are you most excited to see return?"



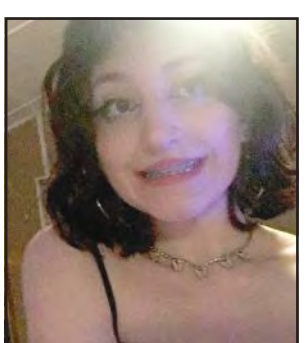
TRINITY SPINK

"I'm most excited to see more people out and about."



ILIANA CARINO

"I am most excited to travel comfortably and without fear that I could get myself or others sick."



ABAGAIL WHITE

"With things slowly opening up, I'm most excited to see the drama plays return! I'm happy I at least get to have one final show before I leave for graduation."



KARA BEWLEY

"This isn't really a public thing, but honestly hugging and being close with my grandparents. Not currently having the vaccine and being in school has made me hesitant of getting to close to them in case of putting them at risk. So, I'm just ready to be back to that place of comfort with them."

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CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

The newly built electric substation at

RECC in Brandenburg was a subject of debate during the first reading of the Meade County Fiscal Court's attempt to rewrite the county's solar ordinance. When

Magistrate Billy Sipes insisted that solar farms should be setback a minimum of 250 feet from roadways to provide safety for motorists, proponents quickly pointed

out the hypocrisy of such a claim when the county imposes no such requirements on any other businesses as is evident in this one that was built right in the court's backyard.

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CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

Indian summer, an unusually warm period in the middle of autumn, and Dogwood Winter, an unusually cold period in the middle of spring (late April to early May), are recognized singularities in the world of weather. These weather occurrences may not take place every year but tend to be the rule more often than the exception to it. The phenomenon gets

its name from a time period long before instant weather updates from a smart phone or even weather broadcasts on televisions. Farmers had only signs from nature to guide them and learned not to plant their crops in the spring until after the dogwood trees bloomed. Otherwise, they ran the risk of experiencing what Meade County saw last Wednesday—a Dogwood Winter. Residents woke up on April 21 to a blanket of snow with temperatures still at 34 degrees at 10 a.m. Additional,

non-accumulating rounds of snow and sleet fell later that afternoon. For many, the event will have little effect. For others, the freezing temperatures this late into spring will be costly, especially those with fruit trees which had al-

ready bloomed, flowers that were planted when temperatures began to rise several weeks ago or a handful of farmers who tried to get an early start this year with soybeans already beginning to sprout.

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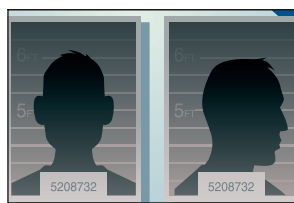
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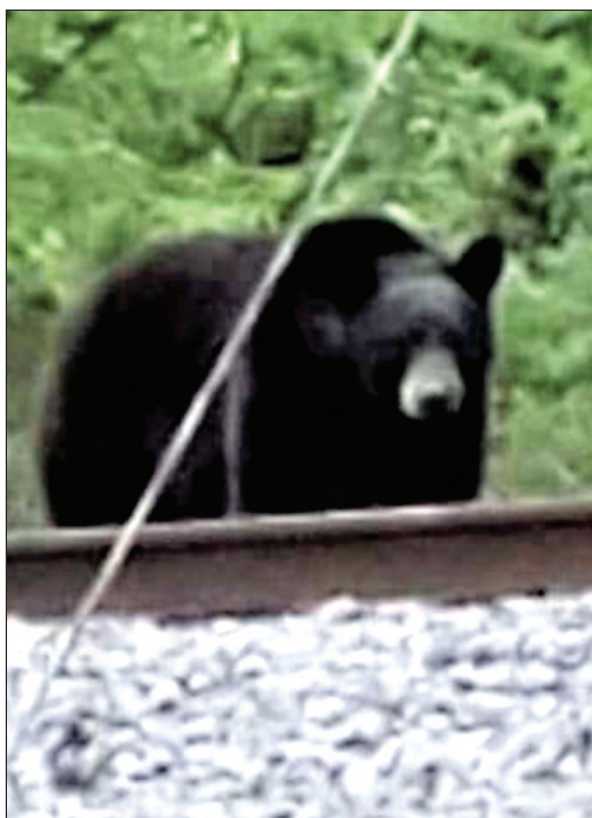
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Black bear struck and killed in Muldraugh



Submitted photo

April Buckland was able to capture this photograph of a black bear in the Muldraugh area last week.

CHAD HOBBS
Messenger Staff

Last Wednesday at approximately 10 p.m., a family of three were traveling on Dixie Highway in Muldraugh when a black bear ran onto the roadway. Unable to avoid the bear, the driver of the vehicle struck and killed the animal. Though the vehicle was damaged, no one in the car was injured.

The Muldraugh Police Department worked the scene and called in the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife for assistance. Biologists with the Department of Fish and Wildlife collected the bear for examination and stated the bear weighed 262 pounds.

A witness to the collision stated that she had passed the bear and turned her vehicle around to go back for confirmation that she had actually seen a bear. As she approached the area, she stated that the animal ran out in front of the other vehicle and that there was no way for the driver to avoid the collision.

In last week's edition of the Messenger,

it was reported that a bear had been spotted in West Point, rummaging through garbage cans. Though West Point is just a few miles across the county line from Muldraugh, it is unclear if this was the same bear.

There have also been reports from several citizens of Muldraugh that the bear killed in Wednesday's collision is not the only black bear that has been spotted in Muldraugh.

This is not the first time a bear has been killed in a car collision in Meade County. In the October 13, 1966 edition of this paper, a story ran about the Ray Vanover family colliding with and killing a small black bear on HWY 79. The bear was struck by their vehicle close to the Meade/Breckinridge county line.

The Irvington town marshal, Charles Bailey, responded to the scene to ensure the animal was dead. The bear weighed 65 pounds and was taken to a taxidermist in Frankfort with plans to display the animal at the Irvington City Hall and Library.

Boat docks delivered



Photo by Seth Dukes | The Meade County Messenger

Dock-Tech was in Brandenburg on Monday delivering courtesy docks for the city's boat ramp on the Ohio River.

Help wanted in Brandenburg



Photo by Seth Dukes | The Meade County Messenger

There's no shortage of employment opportunities in Brandenburg. Check out A2 for a collage of all the help wanted signs in the city.

Fiscal Court approves new solar rules

SETH DUKES
Newsroom Coordinator

The Meade County Fiscal Court convened on May 11 for their regular monthly meeting. There, they voted to approve the updated solar ordinance for the county, establishing what rules and regulations must be followed by potential solar developers.

The solar ordinance has been an ongoing point of discussion for the Court and the community for several months. The Court repealed the county's original solar ordinance in March, conveying feelings that it

may not be restrictive enough. Since then, dialogue between energy companies, the Court, and the public have been ongoing.

At this month's meeting, representatives for both NextEra Energy and Community Energy, two companies with developing solar projects in the area, were in attendance and showed their support for the updated ordinance.

The new solar ordinance puts setbacks at 50 feet from property lines, 250 feet from any residential structure, and limits the total acreage to 1,200. Magistrate Billy Sipes

said that the maximum acreage can always be raised, but he would prefer to see how the current projects in the county develop and then reassess than starting it out higher.

No one from the public disagreed with the proposed changes during the public session. One person spoke to thank the Court for all the work they had done on the ordinance behind the scenes.

Ultimately, the Court voted unanimously to approve the new ordinance.

In other business, the Meade County Fiscal Court:

– Voted unanimously to approve minutes from the previous meetings.

– Voted unanimously to approve the reappointment of Wesley Prather and Alan Stivers to four-year terms on the Meade County Water District Board.

– Proclaimed May 16-22 as Emergency Medical Service Week.

– Approved the first reading of the 2021-2022 budget. The second reading will be potentially proved at the June 8 regular meeting.

– Accepted the resignation of Mike Wise as EMS Director and Dr. Eric Yazel as EMS Medical Director.

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119-00-00-013.10	1320 Ballman Road	1.3	[REDACTED]	1320 Ballman Road	Guston	KY	40142
141-00-00-012	St. Martin Road	5.4	[REDACTED]	649 Bloomington Road	Leitchfield	KY	42754
119-00-00-001.20	Hill Grove Road	9.2	[REDACTED]	4080 Hill Grove Road	Guston	KY	40142
131-00-00-002	Big Spring Road	0.6	[REDACTED]	4461 Big Spring Road	Vine Grove	KY	40175
119-00-00-019	Scott Hill Road	19.2	[REDACTED]	275 Scott Hill Road	Guston	KY	40142
119-00-00-016	730 Scott Hill Road	168.9	[REDACTED]	730 Scott Hill Road	Guston	KY	40142
119-00-00-003	3890 Stith Valley Road	10.8	[REDACTED]	3890 Stith Valley Road	Guston	KY	40142

**Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00390
Application – Exhibit 7
Volume 1, Tab 7**

Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(g)

A summary of the efforts made by the applicant to locate the proposed facility on a site where existing electric generating facilities are located.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

Meade County Solar investigated the feasibility of locating the proposed facility on a site where existing electric generating facilities were located. However, no such location in Meade County was identified.

**Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(h)

Proof of service of a copy of the application upon the chief executive officer of each county and municipal corporation in which the proposed facility is to be located, and upon the chief officer of each public agency charged with the duty of planning land use in the jurisdiction in which the facility is proposed to be located.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

As shown in the Application's Certificate of Service, a copy of the Application was both electronically transmitted and mailed by regular U.S. mail to Leslie Stith, Meade County, Kentucky, County Judge-Executive, and to Guy Garcia, Chairman, Meade County, Kentucky, Planning Commission, on the date of the Application's electronic filing with the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting via the Kentucky Public Service Commission's website.

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Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(i)

An analysis of the proposed facility's projected effect on the electricity transmission system in Kentucky

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

The Applicant believes that the proposed facility's effect on the electricity transmission system of Kentucky will be minimal. Further, the Applicant anticipates that any costs related to upgrades to the electricity transmission system of Kentucky, directly related to the proposed facility and required for its interconnection and operation, will be borne by the Applicant.

The information supporting the expectation of minimal effects on the electricity transmission system, and the steps underway to confirm such effects, are as follows:

- In February 2020, during the due diligence period for the Project, the Applicant emailed Big Rivers to inquire about the capacities of various 69kV transmission lines in Meade County. At that time, the Applicant's primary proposed point of interconnection ("POI") was Big Rivers' 69kV Flaherty Tap-Flaherty Substation line, whose rating was described by Big Rivers as "approximately 40 MVA." In that same email, Big Rivers described the 69kV Custer-Flaherty Tap line (the currently proposed POI) as having a rating of "approximately 50 MVA." In April 2020, in a follow-up email, Big Rivers specified that the segment of the 69kV transmission line from Flaherty Tap to Custer was rated 53 MVA.

The two emails referenced above are attached as Exhibit 9 Attachment 9.1.

- In June 2020, the Applicant submitted an Interconnection Request for a 40MW Generating Facility ("IR") to the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO), the regional transmission system operator governing Big Rivers' 69kV transmission system in the Meade County area. In that initial IR, the Applicant identified the 69kV Flaherty-Flaherty Tap line as the primary POI. MISO validated the IR and assigned the proposed Project interconnection queue number J1600.

The initial MISO IR dated June 19, 2020, with banking information redacted, is attached as Exhibit 9 Attachment 9.2.

- In March 2021, following participation in a Scoping Call with MISO, the Applicant provided an updated IR to MISO, which included a change in the primary POI from the 69kV Flaherty-Flaherty Tap line to the 69kV Custer-Flaherty Tap line. The Applicant

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subsequently signed the initial MISO study agreements, and the proposed Project is included for study in MISO's Definitive Planning Phase for IRs received in 2020 ("DPP 2020 Cycle"). The first study results are expected in late July 2020. At that time, the Applicant will receive the first information from MISO regarding any potential system upgrades required to accommodate the proposed generation capacity of 40 MW. The Applicant will share those study results with the Siting Board once received.

The updated MISO IR dated March 2, 2021, with banking information redacted, is attached as Exhibit 9 Attachment 9.3.

- In April 2021, in order to provide additional information regarding the proposed facility's projected effect on the electricity transmission system, the Applicant engaged a third-party engineering consultant to determine the ability of the transmission grid to accommodate the export of up to 40 MW from the Project when interconnecting to the 69kV Custer-Flaherty Tap transmission line. The consultant, Electric Power Engineers ("EPE") performed load flow calculations using the MISO 2025 Summer Peak model, updated by including higher-queued generation projects in the model. Export potential was calculated for the Project's proposed point of interconnection, based on thermal overloads under system-intact conditions (N-0) and contingency conditions (N-1). The scope of the EPE study was designed to mirror the anticipated scope of MISO's study.

EPE's analysis indicates that the 69kV Custer-Flaherty Tap transmission line will allow the Project to export up the full 40 MW of generation without any transmission upgrades.

The Transmission Analysis performed by EPE is attached as Exhibit 9 Attachment 9.4.

EXHIBIT 9
ATTACHMENT 9.1

Chris Killenberg

From: Bradley, Chris <Chris.Bradley@bigrivers.com>
Sent: Friday, February 14, 2020 2:48 PM
To: Chris Killenberg
Cc: Pogue, Russ; Eacret, Mark
Subject: RE: Meade County 69kV conductor MVA ratings

Chris,

Some basic rating information is provided below.

Thanks,

Chris Bradley
Big Rivers Electric Corporation

From: Chris Killenberg <chris.killenberg@communityenergyinc.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 9:09 AM
To: Bradley, Chris <Chris.Bradley@bigrivers.com>
Cc: Pogue, Russ <Russ.Pogue@bigrivers.com>; Eacret, Mark <Mark.Eacret@bigrivers.com>
Subject: Meade County 69kV conductor MVA ratings

Good morning Chris,

In response to BREC's interest in maximizing the size of our proposed Meade County solar facility, we engaged an engineering firm to conduct a load flow study on the 161kV side of the Meade County substation, taking into account the 200MW and 100MW facilities proposed for that area. The study indicates a capacity for 54MW additional injection before triggering any thermal overload. Accordingly, I'm exploring the possibility of expanding our current project site, or finding an alternate project site, to accommodate +/- 50MW.

Whichever site we choose, we will likely interconnect to a 69kV line emanating from the Meade County sub. I will send you a separate email about our interconnection concept. In regard to the lines, you indicated that most of the Meade County 69kV conductors are 336 ACSS, which should be sufficient to handle 50MW of flow. However, I just want to be sure that's the case in all the areas we're exploring. Can you please confirm that all the following 69kV line segments have sufficient MVA ratings for 50MW? They are:

Meade County – Doe Valley Tap: **rated over 50 MVA**
Meade County – Payne Rd: **rated over 50 MVA**
Payne Rd – Flaherty Tap: **rated over 50 MVA**
Custer – Flaherty Tap : **rated approximately 50 MVA**
Flaherty Tap – Flaherty substation **rated approximately 40 MVA**
New line from Flaherty substation heading east (name?) **rated approximately 40 MVA**

Thanks,

Chris

Chris Killenberg

From: Bradley, Chris <Chris.Bradley@bigrivers.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 2:13 PM
To: Chris Killenberg
Subject: RE: McCracken County 69kV conductor MVA ratings

The main circuit from the source: Meade Co to Flaherty Tap (72 MVA) on to Custer (53 MVA) then on to Centerview. Flaherty Tap to Flaherty is a radial tap off of the main circuit. Connecting generation to the main line between Flaherty Tap and Custer shouldn't impact the radial tap feeding Flaherty Substation.

Chris

From: Chris Killenberg <chris.killenberg@communityenergyinc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2020 12:55 PM
To: Bradley, Chris <Chris.Bradley@bigrivers.com>
Subject: RE: McCracken County 69kV conductor MVA ratings

Chris,

Sounds good. Thanks for that info.

On the Meade site, the two lines I can reach are the Flaherty Tap-Flaherty 69kV and the Custer-Flaherty Tap 69kV. I think you said the Custer line is heavy enough for 50MW, but the Flaherty line would top out at 40MW. Since they're connected to a common point (the Flaherty Tap), wouldn't a 50MW interconnect to the Custer line be a potential problem for Flaherty line?

Chris

EXHIBIT 9
ATTACHMENT 9.2

Facility Information

Project Name Meade County Solar

PROJECT TYPE

Interconnection Request Proposed new Generating Facility
 Interconnection Service Type Network Resource Interconnection Service

FACILITY LOCATION

Address 4316 Big Spring Rd
 City Vine Grove
 State KY
 Zip Code 40175
 Latitude 37 828261
 Longitude 86 126467

State KY
 County Meade
 Study Group Central

Site Map [view](#)

INSTALLED GENERATING FACILITY CAPACITY

Summer (MW) 40 77
 Summer (MVAR) 13 45
 Winter (MW) 40 77
 Winter (MVAR) 13 45

NET OUTPUT AS MEASURED AT POI

Summer (MW) 40
 Summer (MVAR) 13 45
 Winter (MW) 40
 Winter (MVAR) 13 45
 Deposit Calculations Summer
 Summer (MW) 0 075
 Summer (MVAR) 0 0375
 Winter (MW) 0 075
 Winter (MVAR) 0 0375

POINT OF INTERCONNECTION

Type of Interconnection Transmission Line
 Transmission Line Flaherty to Flaherty Tap
 Distance from Endpoint A (miles) 3 9
 Distance from Endpoint B (miles) 0 55
 County Meade
 Zip Code 40142
 Latitude 37 858036
 Longitude 86 139364

Contact Information

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SITE CONTROL

Site Control	Attached
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Lease Agreement	view

Facility Data

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION

Description of entire Generating Facility	40MW solar generation project consisting of 9 TME C PVU L0840GR Solar Ware Ninja inverters connected to a step up collection substation with 2 34 5kV UG feeders The solar plant will interconnect to the local 69kV Big Rivers Electric system via a 1200amp 69kV breaker and a 25/33/42MVA 69kV/34 5kV main transformer There is also a proposed 9MVAR Cap Bank on the 34 5kV bus
Commercial Operation Date	2022 12 31
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FUEL SOURCE

Fuel Source	Solar
Configuration of Fuel Source	40MW solar generation project consisting of 9 TME C PVU L0840GR Solar Ware Ninja inverters connected to a step up collection substation with 2 34 5kV UG feeders The solar plant will interconnect to the local 69kV Big Rivers Electric system via a 1200amp 69kV breaker and a 25/33/42MVA 69kV/34 5kV main transformer There is also a proposed 9MVAR Cap Bank on the 34 5kV bus
Generator Type	Photovoltaic

Application Summary

TermsAndConditions agree to the terms and conditions

Section A

A. UNIT RATINGS

Number of Generator Types	1
Total Generator Rated Output (MW)	40
Rated MVA	42 11

Number of Generating Units	1
Individual Generator Rated Output (MW)	4 44
Individual Generator Rated MVA	4 67
Manufacturer & Model	TMEIC PVU L0800GR
KnowYear	No
Nominal Terminal Voltage (kV)	0 63
Minimum Short Circuit Ratio	1 25
Rated Power Factor	0 95
Voltage Regulation on Minimum	0 95
Voltage Regulation on Maximum	0 95

Power Factor Regulation Minimum	0 95
Power Factor Regulation Maximum	0 95
Minimum state of charge (p u)	0
Maximum state of charge (p u)	0
Type	Induction
Connection	Delta

A-1. GENERATOR SHORT CIRCUIT INFORMATION

Positive sequence sub transient reactance X1 (p u)	0 8
Negative sequence reactance X2 (p u)	0 8

Nominal Voltage (kV)	69
Name of Line Terminal on Pylon 1	Meade County Solar Connection Station
Name of Line Terminal on Pylon 2	Faher y o Faher y Tap Interconnection switch
Line Length (miles)	0.9
Line Conductor (kcmil)	477
Phase Config	Vertical
Summer Line Ratings in amperes	640
Positive sequence resistance (R) for energized (n pu)	0.0041
Positive sequence reactance (X) for energized (n pu)	0.126
Zero Resistance (R0) for energized (n pu)	0.0087
Zero Reactance (X0) for energized (n pu)	0.0306
Line Charging (B/2) (n pu)	0.00002

SYSTEM EQUIVALENCE IMPEDANCE DATA FOR WIND/PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS

Nominal Voltage (kV)	34.5
Summer Line Ratings in amperes	1673
Positive Resistance (R) for energized (n pu)	0.01
Positive Reactance (X) for energized (n pu)	0.009
Zero Resistance (R0) for energized (n pu)	0.057
Zero Reactance (X0) for energized (n pu)	0.0039
Line Charging (B/2) (n pu)	0.00265

A-5. DYNAMIC MODELING INFORMATION

Generator Model	view
Excitation System Model	view
Turbine Governor Model	view
Power System Stabilizer Model	view
Reactive Line Drop Compensation Model	view

A-6. ONE-LINE & MODEL INFORMATION

One Line Diagram	view
PSS/E file	view

Section B

SYNCHRONOUS GENERATOR INFORMATION

Number of Generator Units	
Generator Reactive Capability Curves	view
Plot of Generator Terminal Voltage	view

B-1. EXCITATION SYSTEM INFORMATION

Number of Excitation Systems	
Excitation System Diagram	view

B-2. TURBINE GOVERNOR INFORMATION

Number of Generator Models	
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B-3. INDUCTION GENERATOR INFORMATION

Motoring Power (kW)	
Neutral Grounding Resistor	
Heating Time Constant (22t or K)	
Rotor Resistance	
Stator Resistance	
Rotor Reactance	
Stator Reactance	
Magnetizing Reactance	
Short Circuit Reactance	
Exciting Current	
Temperature Rise	
Frame Size	
Design Letter	
Reactive Power (No Load)	
Reactive Power (Full Load)	
Total Rotating inertia (H) (Per Unit on KVA Base)	

Section C

What type of Non Synchronous Generator do you have?	Type 4
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C-2. INVERTER-BASED PARAMATERS (E.G. SOLAR, STORAGE TYPE 4 WIND TURBINES)

Number of inverters	9
Manufacturer	TME C
Model	Solar Ware Ninja
Model Number	PVU L0840GR
Version	Unknown at this point
List of set points	Over/under voltage & frequency
Maximum design fault contribution current	5500
Harmonics	Meet EEE 519
Start up requirements	None
PSCAD	view

Payment Information

PAYMENT TYPE

Payment Type	[REDACTED]
Bank Name	[REDACTED]
Account Name	[REDACTED]
ABA/Routing Number	[REDACTED]
Account	[REDACTED]
Contact Email	[REDACTED]

PAYMENT CALCULATION

Application Fee (D1)	5000
Study Deposit (D2)	180000
DPP Entry Milestone (M2)	160000 0
Payment Calculation	345000 0

BANKING INFORMATION

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Facility Information

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Interconnection Service Type	Network Resource Interconnection Service
Address	4316 Big Spring Rd
City	Vine Grove
State	KY
Zip Code	40175
Latitude	37 828261
Longitude	86 126467

State	KY	State	KY
County	Meade	County	Meade
Study Group	Central	Study Group	Central

Site Map	view
Summer (MW)	40 77
Summer (MVAR)	13 45
Winter (MW)	40 77
Winter (MVAR)	13 45
Summer (MW)	40
Summer (MVAR)	13 45
Winter (MW)	40
Winter (MVAR)	13 45
Deposit Calculations	Summer

STATION SERVICE

Station Service Load	Yes (previous value M S SNG)
Summer (MW)	0 075
Summer (MVAR)	0 0375
Winter (MW)	0 075
Winter (MVAR)	0 0375

POINT OF INTERCONNECTION

Type of Interconnection	Transmission Line
Transmission Line	Flaherty Tap to Custer 69kV (previous value FLAHERTY TO FLAHERTY 69KV)
Distance from Endpoint A (miles)	1.9 (previous value 3 9)
Distance from Endpoint B (miles)	8.5 (previous value 0 55)
County	Meade
Zip Code	40142
Latitude	37.841678 (previous value 37 858036)
Longitude	-86.166514 (previous value 86 139364)

Contact Information

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Site Control	view (previous value VIEW)
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BANKING INFORMATION

Facility Data

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION

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Description of entire Generating Facility

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FUEL SOURCE

Fuel Source Solar

40MW solar generation project consisting of 9 skids of 6 TMEIC PVU-L0840GR Solar Ware Ninja inverters connected to a step up collection substation with 2-34.5kV UG feeders. The solar plant will interconnect to the local 69kV Big Rivers Electric system via a 1200amp, 69kV breaker and a 25/33/42MVA, 69kV/34.5kV main transformer. There is also a proposed 9MVAR Cap Bank on the 34.5kV bus.

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Configuration of Fuel Source

Generator Type Photovoltaic

Section A

Number of Generator Types	1
Total Generator Rated Output (MW)	40.77 (previous value 40)
Rated MVA	42.93 (previous value 42.11)

previous value		current value	
Number of Generating Units	9	Number of Generating Units	54
Individual Generator Rated Output (MW)	4.44	Individual Generator Rated Output (MW)	0.755
Individual Generator Rated MVA	4.67	Individual Generator Rated MVA	0.795
Manufacturer & Model	TMEIC PVU L0800GR	Manufacturer & Model	TMEIC PVU L0840GR
KnowYear	No	KnowYear	No
Nominal Terminal Voltage (kV)	0.63	Nominal Terminal Voltage (kV)	0.63
Minimum Short-Circuit Ratio	1.25	Minimum Short-Circuit Ratio	2.5
Rated Power Factor	0.95	Rated Power Factor	0.95
Voltage Regulation Minimum	0.95	Voltage Regulation Minimum	0.88
Voltage Regulation Maximum	0.95	Voltage Regulation Maximum	1.10
		show grid error	No

Power Factor Regulation Minimum	0.95
Power Factor Regulation Maximum	0.95
Minimum state of charge (p.u.)	0
Maximum state of charge (p.u.)	0
Type	D.C with Inverter (previous value INDUCTION)
Connection	Underground WYE (previous value DELTA)

A-1. GENERATOR SHORT CIRCUIT INFORMATION

Positive sequence sub transient reactance X1 (p.u.)	0.8
Negative sequence reactance X2 (p.u.)	0.8
Zero sequence reactance X0 (p.u.)	99999
Generator Grounding	Ungrounded (previous value GROUNDED THROUGH IMPEDANCE)

A-2. MAIN GENERATOR STEP-UP (GSU) TRANSFORMER

Number of Transformers	1																																				
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Fixed Taps	Yes																																				
Present Tap Setting	C																																				
Positive Z1	7.00 (previous value 6.99)																																				
Positive Z1 (on self cooled kVA rating) (X/R)	30																																				
Zero Z0 (on self cooled kVA rating) (%)	5.6																																				
Zero Z0 (on self cooled kVA rating) (X/R)	30																																				

A-3. PAD MOUNT TRANSFORMER

Num Of Transformers	9																												
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Fixed Taps	Yes																												
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Positive Z1 (%)	5.5																												
Positive Z1 (X/R)	10																												
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A-4. TIE LINE INFORMATION

previous value

Nom na Vo age (kV)	69
Name of L ne Term na on Po n 1	Meade Coun y So ar Co ec on Sa on
Name of L ne Term na on Po n 2	F aher y o F aher y Tap In erconnec on sw ch
L ne Leng h (m es)	0 9
L ne Conduc or (kcm)	477
Phase Conf g	Ver ca
Summer ne ra ngs n amperes	640
Pos ve sequence res s ance (R) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 0041
Pos ve sequence reac ance (X) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 126
Zero Res s ance (R0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 0087
Zero Reac ance (X0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 0306
L ne Charg ng (B/2) (n p u)	0 00002

current value

Nom na Vo age (kV)	69
Name of L ne Term na on Po n 1	Cus er
Name of L ne Term na on Po n 2	F aher y Tap
L ne Leng h (m es)	0 2
L ne Conduc or (kcm)	477
Phase Conf g	Ver ca
Summer ne ra ngs n amperes	640
Pos ve sequence res s ance (R) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 00091
Pos ve sequence reac ance (X) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 0031
Zero Res s ance (R0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 0019
Zero Reac ance (X0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 0076
L ne Charg ng (B/2) (n p u)	0 000027

SYSTEM EQUIVALENCE IMPEDANCE DATA FOR WIND/PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS

previous value

Nom na Vo age (kV)	34 5
Summer L ne ra ngs n amperes	1673
Pos ve Res s ance (R) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 01
Pos ve Reac ance (X) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 009
Zero Res s ance (R0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 057
Zero Reac ance (X0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 0039
L neCharg ng (B/2) (n p u)	0 00265

current value

Nom na Vo age (kV)	34 5
Summer L ne ra ngs n amperes	850
Pos ve Res s ance (R) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 03
Pos ve Reac ance (X) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 028
Zero Res s ance (R0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 15
Zero Reac ance (X0) for en re eng h (n p u)	0 012
L neCharg ng (B/2) (n p u)	0 0094

A-5. DYNAMIC MODELING INFORMATION

Generator Model	view
Excitation System Model	view
Turbine Governor Model	view

Power System Stabilizer Model	view
Reactive Line Drop Compensation Model	view
A-6. ONE-LINE & MODEL INFORMATION	
One Line Diagram	view (previous value VIEW)
PSS/E file	view

Section B

SYNCHRONOUS GENERATOR INFORMATION

Number of Generator Units	
Generator Reactive Capability Curves	view
Plot of Generator Terminal Voltage	view

B-1. EXCITATION SYSTEM INFORMATION

Number of Excitation Systems	
Excitation System Diagram	view

B-2. TURBINE GOVERNOR INFORMATION

Number of Generator Models	
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B-3. INDUCTION GENERATOR INFORMATION

Motoring Power (kW)	
Neutral Grounding Resistor	
Heating Time Constant (22t or K)	
Rotor Resistance	
Stator Resistance	
Rotor Reactance	
Stator Reactance	
Magnetizing Reactance	
Short Circuit Reactance	
Exciting Current	
Temperature Rise	
Frame Size	
Design Letter	
Reactive Power (No Load)	
Reactive Power (Full Load)	
Total Rotating inertia (H) (Per Unit on KVA Base)	

Section C

What type of Non Synchronous Generator do you have?	Type 4
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C-2. INVERTER-BASED PARAMATERS (E.G. SOLAR, STORAGE TYPE 4 WIND TURBINES)

Number of Inverters	54 (previous value 9)
Manufacturer	TME C
Model	Solar Ware Ninja
Model Number	PVU L0840GR
Version	Unknown at this point
List of set points	Over/under voltage & frequency
Maximum design fault contribution current	125 (previous value 5500)
Harmonics	Meet IEEE 519
Start-up requirements	1 kW (previous value NONE)
PSCAD	view

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EXHIBIT 9
ATTACHMENT 9.4

Community Energy Solar LLC

J1600 MEADE COUNTY SOLAR PROJECT TRANSMISSION ANALYSIS

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On April 09, 2021



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Executive Summary

Introduction

Community Energy Solar LLC (Community) requested Electric Power Engineers, Inc. (EPE) to perform a transmission export analysis study for their proposed Meade County Solar project (J1600), located in Kentucky state within the service territory of the Midcontinent Independent Systems Operator (MISO). The purpose of this study is to determine the ability of the transmission grid to allow the injection of up to 40 MW from the project under study when interconnecting to the 69 kV Flaherty Tap – Flaherty line, as modeled in the MISO base case. EPE notes that the MISO queue indicates a different Point of Interconnection (POI), where the project is said to interconnect to the 69 kV Flaherty Tap – Custer line; therefore EPE evaluated as part of this study the export capacity for interconnecting to the 69 kV Flaherty Tap – Custer line as well.

Load flow calculations were run on a linearized model to approximate the Available Transfer Capability (ATC) from the Points of Interconnection (POIs) studied in this report, each separately and independently, using the MISO 2025 Summer peak (SUM) model. The base case model was updated by modeling higher queued generation projects as described in the section titled "**Generation Dispatch**".

Export potential was calculated for the POIs under study, based on thermal overloads under system-intact (N-0) and contingency (N-1) conditions. An N-0 condition is the condition where there are no transmission elements out of service. A contingency condition is the loss of transmission elements (lines or transformers) on the grid due to planned or forced outages. Please refer to the section titled "**Assumptions**" for more details on the assumptions adopted in this study.

Results of this study are a snapshot in time and largely depend on the generation dispatch and transmission system configuration. Any change in the assumptions underlying this study may greatly impact the findings in this report.

Findings and Conclusion

This analysis aimed to identify the thermal limitations of exporting power up to 40 MW from the POIs under study. Table 1 below summarizes the first export MW capacity available from the proposed POIs, each separately and independently, without any transmission upgrades. For detailed results, please refer to the section titled “**Transmission Export Analysis Results**”.

Table 1 - First Available Export Capacity

Project Number	Project Name	POI#	Point of Interconnection	First Export Capacity (NRIS ¹ & ERIS ²)
J1600	Meade County Solar	POI#1	69 kV Flaherty Tap – Flaherty line	40 MW
		POI#2	69 kV Flaherty Tap – Custer line	50 MW

Notes:

- 1- Assuming a request for Network Resource Interconnection Service (NRIS), a thermal limitation was assumed to be triggered for any facility shown to exceed 100% of its rated capacity when the Transfer Distribution Factor (TDF) for this facility is greater than 5% under both N-0 and N-1 conditions.
- 2- Assuming a request for Energy Resource Interconnection Service (ERIS), a thermal limitation was assumed to be triggered for any facility shown to exceed 100% of its rated capacity when the TDF for this facility is greater than 5% under N-0 conditions and greater than 20% under N-1 conditions.

The results of this analysis showed that interconnecting to the 69 kV Flaherty Tap – Flaherty line or the 69 kV Flaherty Tap – Custer line, each separately and independently, will allow the Meade County Solar project to export the full desired 40 MW assuming an NRIS or ERIS request without the need of any transmission upgrades.

Transmission Export Analysis Results

Load-flow calculations were run on a linearized model to approximate the ATC from the POIs under study using the latest MISO 2025 summer peak model, per the assumptions detailed in the section titled “Assumptions”.

Export Potential

Table 2 and Table 3 summarize the available export potential from the POIs under study, each separately and independently, under N-0 and N-1 contingency conditions, respectively.

Table 2 - Interconnection Results – N-0 Conditions (NRIS & ERIS)



POI#	POI	System-Intact Conditions		
		Export Capacity	Limiting Element	Shift Factor
POI#1	69 kV Flaherty Tap – Flaherty line	41 MW	The 69 kV J1600 POI – Flaherty Tap line, 0.55 miles, 40 MVA	100%
POI#2	69 kV Flaherty Tap – Custer line	55 MW	The 69 kV J1600 POI – Flaherty Tap line, 0.55 miles, 53 MVA	100%

Table 3 - Interconnection Results – N-1 Contingency Conditions (NRIS & ERIS)

POI#	POI	Single Contingency Conditions			
		Export Capacity	Limiting Element	Limiting Contingency	Shift Factor
POI#1	69 kV Flaherty Tap – Flaherty line	40 MW	The 69 kV J1600 POI – Flaherty Tap line, 0.55 miles, 40 MVA	The 69 kV J1600 POI – Flaherty line	100%
POI#2	69 kV Flaherty Tap – Custer line	50 MW	The 69 kV J1600 POI – Flaherty Tap line, 0.55 miles, 53 MVA	The 69 kV J1600 POI – Custer line	100%

The results of the load-flow analysis for the POIs under study are embedded in Table 4.

Table 4 - ATC Results

ATC Results	
 POI#1- ATC - J1600 Project - 69 kV Flahert	 POI#2- ATC - J1600 Project - 69 kV Flahert

Generation Dispatch

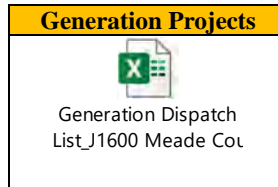
The MISO 2025 summer peak case was re-dispatched to account for the existing and proposed generation projects at higher dispatch level than what was modeled initially in the base case as follows:

- The nearby active planned generation projects not modeled in the case were re-dispatched at 100% of their nameplate capacity.
- All other existing generators were left as dispatched by MISO in the base case.

Since typically the impact of a generator on the loading of lines is reduced for elements remote from the project under consideration, and in order to capture the worst-case scenario, EPE re-dispatched higher queued generation projects that are nearest (electrically close) to the project under study.

Please refer to the spreadsheet embedded in Table 5 below for the list of generation projects modeled in this analysis as per the methodology described above.

Table 5 – Generation Projects



Assumptions

- This study used the MISO 2025 summer peak model available from MISO.
- The calculations in this report evaluated the ATC on a linearized model under N-0 and N-1 conditions, using the PowerWorld Simulator program.
- Export limits were based on thermal overloads above 100% of Rating A of each transmission element rated at 60 kV or higher for N-0 conditions, and on thermal overloads above 100% of Rating B for N-1 conditions. Rating A is the limit on equipment rating and Rating B is the conductor rating for most transmission elements.
- Single-line contingencies defined for the base case model used for this analysis by MISO were evaluated. Additionally, all single lines and transformers in the nearby vicinity of the POIs under study were added.
- Thermal overloads were monitored for every transmission element in MISO.
- An overloaded line was considered to be restrictive for an NRIS request only if the power transfer from the project interconnection point affects power-flow change on that element by 5% under both N-0 and N-1 conditions. An overloaded line was considered to be restrictive for an ERIS request only if the power transfer from the project interconnection point affects power-flow change on that element by 5% under N-0 and by 20% under N-1 conditions. This is measured by the Power Transfer Distribution Factor (PTDF) or Line Outage Distribution Factor (OTDF) values available from PowerWorld.
- Setup-up transformers are ignored as limiting constraints.
- The calculations underlying this report are a snapshot in time, and are based on the load-flow model available from MISO. Any changes in the configuration of the transmission system, or in the load or generation dispatched in the model will have an effect on the results of this study, and new load-flow calculations will have to be run for the new configuration.

Hugo E. Mena, P.E.

Summary of Qualifications

Hugo Mena is an electrical engineer with over 12 years of extensive experience in renewable energy integration, grid code development and grid compliance of renewables projects, as well as experienced in the design of wind, solar and energy storage systems. Throughout his career, he has worked with renewable energy developers supporting generation interconnections, project grid compliance as well as experience supporting in the construction, commission, and testing of generation projects. During his professional career, Hugo has also contributed to regulatory work related to power systems planning and operation, renewable energy, energy storage, microgrids and metering in Latin America and the Middle East. Furthermore, Mr. Mena has been the Chair & Vice-Chair of the Emerging's Technologies Working Group at the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) where he worked with stakeholders to improve the current grid codes to allow for the integration of renewables and energy storage systems at the distribution level.

Mr. Mena is a Professional Engineer in 17+ different states in the United States.

Employment History (Most recent first, in reverse chronological order)

VP of Business Development, Electric Power Engineers, Inc., Austin, TX, USA, Jan 2016 – Present

Chief Operating Officer, Electric Power Engineers, Inc., Austin, TX, USA, Jan 2014 – Jan 2016

Chief Engineer, Electric Power Engineers, Inc., Austin, TX, USA, Jan 2010 – Jan 2014

Power Systems Engineer, Electric Power Engineers, Inc., Austin, TX, USA, Jan 2009 – Jan 2010

- Significant experience as part of successful markets that integrated renewables, and deep understanding of the mechanisms through applying them as part of consulting to clients integrating resources in these markets
- Extensive experience developing grid codes as well as a grid compliance testing and commissioning procedures for the integration of renewable energy projects in international markets
- Experience in training and capacity building in Transmission & Distribution code implementation in Jordan as well as the Caribbean
- Worked within the ERCOT Market Participants on protocols revisions through being involved in workgroups and meetings, and chairing some of those workgroups
- Provided electrical engineering design on renewable energy projects during development, detailed design, construction, and commissioning
- Provide Owner's Engineer support for designing and commissioning generation projects in different grid markets
- Complete substations and main power transformers specification documents and Request for Proposals (RFPs), bid evaluation and recommendation for generation projects
- Working with several grid operators and generation projects on SCADA and communications requirements for the successful interconnection of generation projects
- Experience with the distributed energy market regulations that are taking place in ERCOT, CAISO, and other markets through represented clients in accompanying the regulation development to ensure that these regulations are fair and healthy to project their project development efforts
- Review of generation specifications and capabilities to determine generator compliance with different grid markets
- Conduct short circuit studies of generation projects using Aspen, ETAP, and Powerworld



- Design solar plant layout based on project location and size; analyze solar placement technologies to determine the most feasible for the specific project as well as design DC and AC collection systems for utility-scale solar power plants
- Design of wind generation facilities and other renewable energy generation projects, ranging from 1 MW to 800 MW
- Review and provide comments on transmission provider's system impact studies for the interconnection of generation projects
- Provide expertise and feedback to clients regarding renewable energy project operation and transmission expansion
- Provided expertise for day to day renewable energy project operational question and transmission expansion questions for clients
- Performed thermal resistivity analysis to design and size the underground distribution system of different wind projects using geotechnical report about the type of soil in different projects

Manufacturing Engineer II, Applied Materials, Inc., Austin, TX, USA, Oct 2007 – Jan 2009

- Implemented and maintained methods, operation sequences and processes in the fabrication of parts, components, sub-assemblies, and final assemblies.
- Determined time standards and made recommendations for tooling and process requirements.
- Interfaced between operations and design engineering to implement most feasible designs and solutions.
- Worked with test engineers on the design and development of test fixtures and test recipes.
- Gathered operational and test data and evaluated results to determine corrective actions.
- Used Statistical Process Control (SPC) to analyze all test data to take corrective actions to improve manufacturing process.
- Determined root cause analysis for issues that arise during assembly and/or test of systems and provide failure analysis report as required.
- Worked with Synexis design team on robot bearing issues related to VHP vacuum robots bearing issues.
- Worked closely with supplier to address all SPS submitted and implement corrective action.
- Worked in an ISO 9001 and 14001 certified and OHSAS 18001 certified manufacturing environment.

Education and Training

- M.S. in Electrical Engineering, Power Electronics, Texas A&M University – College Station, TX
- B.S. in Electrical Engineering, Power Systems, Texas A&M University – College Station, TX
- Business Management Certificate for Engineers, Texas A&M University – College Station, TX

Languages

- English – Fluent
- Spanish – Fluent

References (You may not include any references from your current company)

Client Name & Location	Year	Detailed Description of the Work Performed or Advisory Services Provided Relevant to the SOW
<p>A USAID-funded activity implemented by Deloitte</p> <p>ESCB Project for NEPCO regarding large-scale renewable power projects interconnecting to the transmission grid (Task Order No. AID-278-TO-13-00003)</p>	<p>2015-2016</p>	<p>Lead the development of the NEPCO Intermittent Renewable Resources (IRR) Testing, Commissioning and Certification Procedures as well as supported the testing and commissioning of the first wind project to interconnect to the NEPCO transmission grid. This project was a 117 MW wind project using Vestas turbines. Contributed to the development of the NEPCO Intermittent Renewable Resources Operating Protocols as well as worked with the NEPCO team to identify any SCADA requirements for future renewable projects integrating to the NEPCO grid.</p>
<p>Escalante 240 MW PV Solar Project</p> <p>Enterprise 80 MW PV Solar Project</p>	<p>2015-2016</p>	<p>Engineer of record for the completion of the system studies for two (2) proposed solar projects in Utah, namely 80 MW Enterprise PV project and 240 MW Escalante PV project. These studies listed below were run, separately for each project, based on detailed project’s design model in ETAP and PSCAD software. The studies were written to demonstrate and provided recommendations for the proposed electrical system design and the selected protective equipment to accommodate the projects sizes as well as to meet the applicable IEEE requirements as well as the transmission provider’s requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Load flow Study • Short Circuit Analysis • Power Factor Analysis • Grounding Study • Transient Over-Voltage (TOV) Study • Insulation Coordination Study • Harmonic Analysis • Protection Coordination Study • Arc Flash Hazard Analysis
<p>Spinning Spur I, II and III engineering support (322 MW,</p>	<p>2015</p>	<p>Lead the engineering team providing support services for the Spinning Spur I, II and III projects to guide EDF Renewable Energy in their endeavors to develop wind projects in Texas. The engineering services covered are as follows:</p>

160.95 MW and 194 MW)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed a project reactive power compensation compliance review • Completed the necessary documentation to register and interconnect the wind plant to the transmission network • Complete the wind plant model • Supported the client in the completion of a commissioning plan • Provided on site assistance to conduct a reactive power test • Provided on site assistance to conduct a primary frequency response test • Provided on site assistance to conduct an AVR test procedure and test support
Distribution Studies Review and Distribution Transfer Switch Scheme Support	2015	<p>Lead the reviewed of the interconnection studies completed by the distribution provider for 11 generating projects interconnecting at the distribution level. I was the main lead engineer providing the Client with a summary of all the assumptions as well as the findings and conclusions of the studies. Additionally, I represented the client in meetings and discussions with the distribution provider.</p> <p>During this work, I provided support in evaluating the use of a Transfer Trip Scheme to mitigate any islanding risk for eight (8) to nine (9) distribution projects. This included detailed investigation and recommendations of the type of equipment, wiring configuration and trip scheme operation as well as any necessary tools and scopes the Client may need to procure for an adequate anti-islanding solution.</p>

EXHIBIT 10
ATTACHMENT 10.1



Economic Impact of a 40 MW Solar Project in Meade County, Kentucky

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Dr. Bethany Paris, Senior Economic Analyst
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Meade County Solar Project

Community Energy Solar, LLC has proposed building a 40 MW photovoltaic system in Meade County, Kentucky. The Meade County Solar Project (the “Project”) is expected to include the installation of solar panels on 370 acres and will consist of two phases: the Construction Phase and the Operation Phase.

The Construction Phase is estimated to last approximately 6 to 9 months. This phase will involve preparing the site, installing equipment, and connecting the panels to the grid. Community Energy anticipates the hiring of 150 full-time equivalent workers for the Construction Phase.

The Operation Phase will consist of regular operations, maintenance, and upkeep of the solar panels, other equipment, and site over a 30-year period. Community Energy anticipates the hiring of 2-3 full-time equivalent workers for the Operation Phase.

The proposed Project will affect the state and local economies by bringing new employment, spending, and taxes to the area. The Construction Phase will provide a temporary increase in economic activity as contractors and workers are hired to construct the facility. While the economic impact will be concentrated in the construction sector, other sectors will also be affected as contractors purchase supplies and materials from businesses in the area and workers spend a portion of their incomes at local businesses. The Operation Phase will provide a long-term increase in economic activity. During the Operation Phase, the project will employ workers to operate and maintain the facility. Spending related to operations will also affect several business sectors in the area.

Economic Impact

The following analysis examines the economic impact of the Construction Phase and the Operation Phase on the economies of two geographic areas: Meade County and the State of Kentucky.

It is important to note that only new spending related to the project that **occurs in the area** will affect the economies of these two areas. Much of the total expenditures for this project are expected to be spent outside of these areas. These expenditures include the actual solar panels and other major equipment. Because this equipment is typically manufactured outside of Kentucky, spending on the equipment is not expected to directly affect the economies of Meade County or the State of Kentucky. However, spending on the construction and operation of the solar project does have direct, indirect, and induced impacts on the state and local economies.

The direct impact refers to the employment and wages associated with the project. For the Construction Phase, the direct impact occurs primarily in the construction sector but may also include spending on professional business services such as engineering and equipment testing if these activities occur in the area. The direct impact for the Operation Phase includes employees and services hired to operate and maintain the facility.

The indirect impact refers to employment and wages that occur at businesses that provide inputs to support the facility's construction and operations. For the Construction Phase this would typically be materials and supplies that the construction crews need to complete their work. For the Operation Phase, this would include various supplies and tools needed to maintain the site.

The induced impact refers to employment and wages related to the provision of goods and services purchased by the workers employed directly and indirectly by the project. As workers are paid, they will spend a portion of their incomes at local businesses such as restaurants, retail establishments, and health care providers. These impacts can occur across a wide range of sectors.

These three types of impacts are typically measured using models of the local economy. For this analysis, impacts were estimated using the IMPLAN model, which is widely used for this type of analysis. For this analysis, an IMPLAN model was designed to simulate the economies of Meade County and Kentucky.

An additional area of economic impact is employment-related taxes. The State of Kentucky will collect state income taxes on labor income associated with the Project. The effective income tax rate is estimated to be 4.2%. In addition, to the extent any Project-related income is spent on taxable goods and services, that spending will be subject to a 6% Kentucky state sales tax.

The Project will also pay real property taxes and business personal property taxes to the county and state. An estimate of these taxes was not included in the scope of this analysis.

Finally, an estimate can be made of the output associated with the proposed Project. Output refers to the total amount of goods and services produced.

Analysis

Construction Phase

During the Construction Phase of the Project, Community Energy anticipates employing approximately 150 full-time equivalent workers for a 6 to 9 month construction period. Community Energy anticipates that most of the construction workers and contractors will be hired from within the county or surrounding counties. However, approximately 20% of the labor will consist of specialty workers who come from outside the area. While these workers are working on the project in Meade County, they will contribute to the county's total employment and wages. In addition, their wages would likely be subject to state income taxes. However, because they live outside the region, their wages will have a smaller induced impact on the local economy as most of their income will be spent in their home communities.

Including the direct, indirect, and induced impacts modeled by IMPLAN, the Construction Phase is estimated to increase employment in the Meade County area by 164 jobs and increase labor income by approximately \$5.4 million. An additional 14 jobs and approximately \$665,000 in labor income would be created elsewhere in the State of Kentucky. See Table 1.

Table 1: Economic Impact of Construction Phase (6-9 months)

Meade County		
Impact	Resulting Employment	Labor Income
Direct	150	\$4,868,000
Indirect	6	\$272,000
Induced	7	\$213,000
Total	164	\$5,353,000

State of Kentucky (outside of Meade County area)		
Impact	Resulting Employment	Labor Income
Indirect	7	\$342,000
Induced	7	\$323,000
Total	14	\$665,000

Meade County does not impose an occupational license tax on payroll, so the additional labor income will not directly affect county revenues. However, the State of Kentucky is estimated to collect \$253,000 in state income taxes on Project-related labor income. The State of Kentucky is also estimated to collect \$181,000 in sales taxes on Project-driven expenditures. See Table 2.

Table 2: Tax Revenue during the Construction Phase (6-9 months)

State of Kentucky	
Tax	Amount
State Income Tax	\$253,000
State Sales Tax	\$181,000
Total	\$434,000

In summary, the economic impact of the **Construction Phase** of the proposed Project on Meade County is expected to total approximately **\$5.4 million** in direct, indirect, and induced impacts on labor income. The economic impact on the State of Kentucky (including Meade County) is expected to total approximately **\$6.0 million** in direct, indirect, and induced impacts on labor income, and generate \$434,000 in state taxes.

Operation Phase

During the Operation Phase of the Project, Community Energy anticipates employing 2 to 3 full-time workers. Including the direct, indirect, and induced impacts modeled by IMPLAN, the Operation Phase is expected to generate area employment of 3.4 to 5.0 jobs, and labor income of \$217,000 to \$315,000 per year. Over the 30-year life of the Project, the present value of this labor income would total between \$4.9 million to \$7 million (present value). This assumes a discount rate of 2%.

The estimates described above provide the gross economic impacts associated with the Project. However, these figures need to be adjusted to account for the loss of economic impacts that would have occurred if the land remained in its current use. The proposed site is currently being used for agricultural production, providing income for landowners and farm workers. If the solar project is developed, the economic impacts would shift from agricultural production to solar generation. The net economic impact to the area is, therefore, the difference between the level of economic activity associated with agricultural production and the level of economic activity associated with solar energy production.

Including the direct, indirect, and induced impacts, the reduced farm activity at the proposed Project site would reduce area labor income by \$41,000 per year. Over the 30-year life of the Project, this would result in reduced area labor income of \$928,000 (present value). Accordingly, the net combined direct, indirect, and induced impacts of the proposed Project on the Meade County area during the Operation Phase is estimated to be \$176,000 to \$274,000 per year, or \$3.9 million to \$6.1 million over 30 years (present value). Additional indirect, and induced impacts would be felt elsewhere in Kentucky during the Operation Phase. These additional impacts are estimated to be \$86,000 to \$125,000 per year, or \$1.9 million to \$2.8 million over 30 years (present value). See Table 3.

Table 3: Net Economic Impact of Operation Phase (30 years)

Meade County			
Impact	Resulting Employment	Labor Income/yr	Present Value Labor Income/30 yrs
Direct	2.0 to 3.0	\$130,000 to \$188,000	\$2,908,000 to \$4,209,000
Indirect	1.0 to 1.5	\$78,000 to \$112,000	\$1,739,000 to \$2,517,000
Induced	0.3 to 0.5	\$10,000 to \$14,000	\$221,000 to \$320,000
Subtotal	3.4 to 5.0	\$217,000 to \$315,000	\$4,868,000 to \$7,045,000
<i>less</i>		<i>(\$41,000)</i>	<i>(\$928,000)</i>
Total		\$176,000 to \$274,000	\$3,939,000 to \$6,117,000
State of Kentucky (outside of Meade County area)			
Impact	Resulting Employment	Labor Income	Labor Income/30 yrs
Indirect	1.2 to 1.7	\$61,000 to \$89,000	\$1,366,000 to \$1,993,000
Induced	0.5 to 0.8	\$25,000 to \$36,000	\$560,000 to \$806,000
Total	1.7 to 2.5	\$86,000 to \$125,000	\$1,926,000 to \$2,800,000

During the Operation Phase, the State of Kentucky is estimated to collect state income taxes in the amount of approximately \$11,000 to \$17,000 per year; \$247,000 to \$375,000 over 30 years (present value). The State of Kentucky is estimated to collect state sales tax in the amount of approximately \$8,000 to \$12,000 per year; \$176,000 to \$268,000 over 30 years (present value). See Table 4.

Table 4: Tax Revenue during the Operation Phase (30 years)

State of Kentucky		
Tax	Amount	
State Income Tax	\$11,000 to \$17,000	\$247,000 to \$375,000
State Sales Tax	\$8,000 to \$12,000	\$176,000 to \$268,000
Total	\$19,000 to \$29,000	\$423,000 to \$643,000

In summary, the net economic impact of the **Operation Phase** of the proposed Project on Meade County, comprised of direct, indirect, and induced impacts on labor income is expected to total approximately **\$176,000 to \$274,000** per year; **\$3.9 million to \$6.1 million** over 30 years (present value). The net economic impact on the State of Kentucky (including Meade County), comprised of direct, indirect, and induced impacts plus state taxes is expected to total approximately **\$262,000 to \$399,000** per year; **\$5.9 million to \$8.9 million** over 30 years (present value). This would increase state taxes by \$19,000 to \$29,000 per year; \$423,000 to \$643,000 over 30 years (present value).

Property Tax

The project would affect state and local property taxes in two main ways. First, the 370 acres would be assessed at its commercial value rather than agricultural value. Second, the project would add a considerable amount of equipment that would be subject to state and local tangible property taxes. An analysis conducted by Community Energy provides estimates of the property tax associated with the project and is provided separately.

Comparison of Output

Output refers to the total amount of goods and services produced. If the project site were to remain in agricultural production, output would be measured in the value of the crops produced. Based on the data from the 2017 Census of Agriculture, sales of agricultural commodities from farms located in Meade County average \$376 per acre.¹ Currently, 361 acres of the proposed Project site is under cultivation. The estimated output of the site if it remained in agricultural use would be **\$135,780** per year.

¹ Sales estimates from the 2017 Census of Agriculture were adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI). The CPI was used because crop prices have been volatile. For example, average soybean prices for 2020 were lower than in 2017. However, prices during the first three months of 2021 were significantly higher. Should crop prices increase faster than general prices levels, estimates of the lost agricultural output could understate the true output lost. Likewise, should crop prices increase slower than general price levels, the estimate could overstate the value of lost agricultural output. In either case, it appears likely the labor income and output associated with the solar project would exceed the losses from reduced agricultural production in Meade County.

For the proposed Project, output would be measured in the value of the electricity that will be produced. Community Energy estimates total electricity production in Year 1 of the Operation Phase to be 91,487 megawatt-hours (MWh). Community Energy is under contract with Big Rivers Electric Corporation to sell 100% of this output at a fixed price of \$27.30 per MWh. Therefore, the estimated output of the site if it converts to solar use would be **\$2,497,595 in Year 1**. The initial term of the contract between Community Energy and Big Rivers is 20 years. Over the 20-year contract, total output from the Project is estimated to be approximately **\$39,084,674**. By comparison, total output of the Project site if it were to remain in agricultural use over the same 20-year period would be **\$2,220,198** (present value).

The net output of the proposed Project could be lower if the Project effectively offsets electricity that would otherwise be generated in the county or the state. There is a certain level of demand for electricity. Without the Project, this demand might otherwise be met by keeping existing generating units online longer, developing other new sources of generation, or by purchasing electricity from the wholesale market. Community Energy anticipates that the electricity generated by the Project will offset electricity Big Rivers would otherwise purchase from the wholesale market. This electricity would likely be generated by power generators outside the state, and the Project would be unlikely to reduce electricity generation in Meade County or Kentucky.

Conclusions

The Project proposed by Community Energy Solar, LLC is estimated to increase employment, labor income, tax collections, and output in Meade County and Kentucky. During the 6 to 9 month Construction Phase of the Project, the range of economic impact is estimated to be **\$5.4 million to \$6.0 million**. During the 30-year Operation Phase of the Project, the range of net economic impact is estimated to be **\$5.9 million to \$8.9 million**. In addition, Output from the proposed Project site is estimated to increase from **\$2.2 million to \$39.1 million** over the first 20 years of the Project life.

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July 2019 – June 2020	Interim Director, Center for Business and Economic Research, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky
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November 2002 – July 2016	Chief Economist, Legislative Research Commission, Frankfort, Kentucky
July 1996 – November 2002	Economist, Legislative Research Commission, Frankfort, Kentucky
October 1994 – June 1996	Financial Analyst, Forecasting and Research Department, Kentucky Utilities, Lexington, Kentucky

Other Experience:

2012 - 2013 VERA Institute of Justice, Cost-Benefit Methods Working Group

Teaching

- Cost Benefit Analysis (2017-2020)
- Capstone Advisor for MPA Students (2011)
- Decision Analysis (2009-2010)
- Public Financial Management (2009), co-taught

Education: Ph.D., Economics, University of Kentucky, 1996
Dissertation: “Search and Employer-Employee Match Formation”

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Presentations:

"The COVID-19 Recession: How has the Pandemic Affected Kentucky's Economy" Lexington Employee Benefits Council, December 2020.

"How COVID-19 Screwed Up Everything: The Challenges of Economic Forecasting During the Pandemic" Panel participant, 2020 Kentucky Economics Association Conference, October 2020.

"The COVID-19 Recession" Rotary Club of Louisville, October 2020.

"The COVID-19 Recession: How has the Pandemic Affected Kentucky's Economy" Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, October 2020.

"The COVID-19 Recession: How has the Pandemic Affected Kentucky's Economy" University of Kentucky Market Cancer Center Affiliate Network, 2020 Cancer Care Conference September 2020.

“Kentucky’s Economy and Budget” Prichard Committee’s Lunch & Learn, September 2020.

“Kentucky’s Economy” Commerce Lexington, Bluegrass Region’s 2020 Federal Policy Forum, September 2020

“Understanding Kentucky’s Unemployment Data” Kentucky Workforce Investment Board, August 2020.

“Economics in the Time of COVID-19” Panel participant, University of Kentucky Alumni Association, Great Teachers on Great Challenges, June 2020.

“The Economic Impact of COVID-19” UK Market Cancer Center Affiliate Network COVID-19 Web Series, May 2020.

Forecasting Local Tax Revenues in the COVID-19 Era. Panel participant, Kentucky City/County Management Association, April 2020.

Trade Policy Forecast for 2020, Panel participant, World Trade Center Kentucky, January 2020.

“LFUCG Occupational License Tax Forecast FY 2020 & 2021” Lexington/Fayette Urban County Government; Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee, January 2020.

“Understanding Kentucky’s Employment Statistics.” Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics Data Conference, September 2019.

“LFUCG Occupational License Tax Forecast FY 2019 & 2020” Lexington/Fayette Urban County Government; Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee, April 2019.

“Kentucky’s Motor Fuel Taxes” Kentucky Association of Counties Conference, November 2018.

“Kentucky Labor Force Participation” Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics Data Conference, August 2017.

“Cost-Benefit Analysis and Justice Policy: An Introduction for Budget and Finance Staff” webinar sponsored by the VERA Institute of Justice, July 2012.

“Overview of Medicaid” to the Medicaid Cost Containment Taskforce, August 2010

“Summary of Proposed Economic Stimulus” to the Senate and House Appropriations and Revenue Committees, January 2009.

“Potential Revenue from Expanded Gaming in Kentucky” to the House Special Subcommittee on Expanded Gambling, January 2008.

“Avoiding Bias in Policy Research” to the National Conference of State Legislatures, Research and Committee Staff Section Fall Seminar, September 2007.

“Comparison of State and Local Tax Burdens and Government Benefits for Low-Income Families” to Subcommittee on Tax Policy Issues, November 2001.

External Funding:

“Lexington Economic Trends” Lexington/Fayette Urban County Government, Jan 2021, \$4,200.

“LFUCG Occupational License Tax Forecast FY 2020 & 2021” Lexington/Fayette Urban County Government, Jan 2021, \$10,000.

“Kentucky Quarterly Economic Newsletter” Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Dec 2020, \$15,000.

“Labor Force Statistics Analysis and Consulting” Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet, July 2020-June 2022, \$256,000.

“LFUCG Occupational License Tax Forecast FY 2019 & 2020” Lexington/Fayette Urban County Government, April 2019, \$10,000.

“The Importance of Access to Health for Rural Economic Development.” National Institute of Food and Agriculture, with Alison F. Davis, Jennifer L. Hunter, Jenny Minier, Ernie Scott, and Christina R. Studts, 2019-2022, \$499,725.

“Health Care Provider Tax Model” Balanced Health Kentucky, 2018, \$11,800.

“Evaluation of the Workforce and Fiscal Impacts of Health Conditions and Treatment Programs in Kentucky” Kentucky Department for Public Health, September 2018-June 2019, \$134,000.

“Labor Force Statistics Analysis and Consulting” Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet, July 2019-June 2021, \$247,000.

“Analyze the Impact of Repealing West Virginia’s Prevailing Wage Law on the Cost of Public Construction” Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. West Virginia Chapter, December 2017-June 2018, \$21,000.

“Estimate Fiscal Impacts of Changes to Kentucky’s Health Care Provider Tax” Kentucky Hospital Association, \$55,000.

“Funding Formula to Distribute Child Support Enforcement Funds” Department of Income Support, \$51,000.

“Labor Force Statistics Analysis and Consulting” Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet, March 2016-June 2018, \$209,000.

“The Economic Impacts of Land Use Policies in Lexington, Kentucky” Lexington-Bluegrass Association of REALTORS, May 2016 – December 2016, \$65,000.

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EDUCATION

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

Doctor of Philosophy, Public Policy and Administration, Martin School of Public Policy and Administration
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Master of Public Administration, Martin School of Public Policy and Administration (December 2012)

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

Bachelor of Arts Communication, College of Communication and Information Studies (December 2005)

Concentration: Health Care Communication

Minor: Biological Sciences

EXPERIENCE

Economic Analyst

Center for Business and Economic Research (CBER), University of Kentucky July 2015 to Present

- Grants and budget management for CBER; reconciling monthly ledgers against account balances.
- Managing student schedules in conjunction with meeting project deadlines for grants based projects.
- Coordinating marketing for CBER with the College of Business and Economics (e.g. website, news, press releases, etc.).
- Generate original research studies on grant based projects for dissemination on the CBER website and University.

Data and Analytics Advisor

Monitoring and Evaluation Unit, Nuru International, Palo Alto, CA (Telecommute) August 2014 to June 2015

- Research and recommend appropriate evaluation design, data collection, and analytical methods to measure program impact for all programs in both Kenya and Ethiopia.
- Collaborate on quarterly and annual impact reports that align with the Nuru brand and are accessible to a broader audience.
- Collaborate with the M&E team on design of an integrated impact measurement system in Ethiopia.
- Conduct due-diligence on potential technical partners and support the negotiation process and partnership agreements for the Salesforce centralized database system.
- Lead M&E team members in developing clearly documented and replicable procedures for collecting quality data and summarizing for program monitoring.
- Lead and promote regular and systematic data driven feedback loops between M&E and programs using monitoring data.

Staff Economist

Legislative Research Commission, Kentucky General Assembly, Frankfort, KY March 2014 to August 2014

- Provided economic analysis and research support to all members of the General Assembly for the long and short legislative sessions.
- During the interim, assisted the Chief Economist and staff in assembling supplemental reports for committee review on topics such as prevailing wage law, unemployment, educational attainment, etc.

Visiting Professor

Martin School of Public Policy and Administration, University of Kentucky
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August 2013 to May 2014

- Provided instruction in the accelerated and regular MPA programs in Public Program Evaluation (PA 622 – Fall II quarter and Spring 2014 Semester), Decision Analysis (PA 623 – Fall II quarter), and Cost Benefit Analysis (PA 680 – Spring Semester) for the 2013-2014 academic year.
- Served as a consulting faculty advisor and Stata Lab instructor for the capstone projects during the Spring 2014 semester (Chair of two committees; reviewed six total capstone papers).
- Served as Chair of the Communications Committee for the Martin School.

Graduate Research Assistant

Martin School of Public Policy and Administration, University of Kentucky
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August 2011 to August 2013

- Supported faculty members in assembling information and basic empirical analysis for the NASPAA self-study and accreditation process, which included qualitative surveys of faculty members, budget analysis of the department, and compilation of all materials for submission during the self-study year.
- Assisted in the coordination of a NSF grant application, including management of the budget assembly and analysis of all grant partners across multiple colleges/departments in the University under the supervision of Dr. Eugenia F. Toma.
- Managed the Martin School's website re-launch during the summer of 2013.
- Provided team support for Commonwealth Council on Developmental Disabilities (CCDD), researching the background of best practices and created a comprehensive review of literature.
- Taught interactive lab course for Master's students in applied statistics using Stata.

Intern

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (ALDC Division)
Geneva, Switzerland

May 2012 to August 2012

- Assisted in the execution of a research project on migration, brain circulation, and diaspora networks of the Least Developed Countries (LDCs), by carrying out statistical data collection, tabulation, and regression analysis in Stata for presentation in the LDC Report (2012).
- Performed regression analysis, directly applying the methodology of gravity modeling to the migration data set compiled for the ALDC division.
- Collected qualitative and bibliographic information on the situation and education of migrants from LDCs in destination countries.
- Formulated and drafted conclusions based on statistical, bibliographic, and qualitative searches performed.
- Performed research on the economic and societal role played by skilled returnees in LDCs.

Graduate Research Assistant

Creative and Technical Services, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Kentucky
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Lexington, KY

August 2008 to August 2011

- Assisted faculty and students with information technology issues, including trouble shooting computer issues, web migration, and Blackboard support.
- Conducted bibliographic research on the best practices of residential learning communities, university budgeting practices and management.
- Supervised student workers and purchased equipment for the technical services team.
- Maintained website and assisted in the migration to a Sharepoint interface.
- Provided support to GS staff in the assembly and dissemination of material for annual faculty and student awards.
- Assisted the Dean and Associate Provost in the planning of University Commencement Events, including student registration, event coordination, and venue management.
- Performed analysis and management of National Research Commission (NRC) data regarding the national ranking of University of Kentucky graduate programs for the Dean of the Graduate School (Jeannine Blackwell).

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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EDUCATION

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

Ph.D. in Economics – expected May 2023

- Teaching Assistant:
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Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI

Master of Arts in Economics – May 2018

- Graduate Assistant:
 - Assisted with faculty research project on history of state and local laws

Thomas M. Cooley Law School, Lansing, MI

Juris Doctor, cum laude

- *Thomas M. Cooley Law Review*, Associate Editor
- Certificates of Merit: Evidence and Labor Law

Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI

Bachelor of Arts in Economics

- Minor in Russian

EXPERIENCE

State Representative Bob Constan, Lansing, MI

Legislative Assistant, May 2009 – December 2012

- Researched and wrote legal memoranda on various issues of state law
- Performed administrative and clerical duties
- Communicated with and assisted constituents
- Collaborated with state agencies and private entities
- Assisted in political campaign management

Private Practice Attorney, Michigan (State Bar P#73203)

Solo Practice, January 2013 – August 2016

- Represented indigent criminal defendants in Ingham County
- Created complete estate plans, including wills, trusts, powers of attorney
- Drafted contracts for small businesses, including sales agreements and transfer of ownership

EXHIBIT 10
ATTACHMENT 10.2

Chris Killenberg

From: Mike Grim <Mike.Grim@mcmcpa.com>
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 12:06 PM
To: Chris Killenberg
Subject: RE: Meade County Solar - Tangible and Real Property Taxes

Chris:

I've reviewed the Meade County real and tangible personal property tax calculations and based on 2020 rates, the estimates are correct.

Best regards,
Mike

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From: Chris Killenberg <chris.killenberg@communityenergyinc.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2021 1:46 PM
To: Mike Grim <Mike.Grim@mcmcpa.com>
Subject: FW: Meade County Solar - Tangible and Real Property Taxes

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Hi Mike,

Just checking to see when you might have a chance to look at this. Ideally, if you can get back to me by COB tomorrow (Friday) that would be great. We're hoping to file the Meade County Siting Board application on Monday. I just started to get nervous that you may be OOO tomorrow...

Thanks,

Chris

From: Chris Killenberg
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:55 PM
To: Mike Grim <Mike.Grim@mcmcpa.com>
Subject: Meade County Solar - Tangible and Real Property Taxes

Mike,

Can you please review and confirm our calculations of the tangible and real property taxes that will be levied on our Meade County Solar project?

Our methodology was as follows:

Tangible Personal Property Taxes

1. Downloaded the Meade County page from the 2020 Property Tax Rate Book from KY DOR (attached), and summed the applicable tangible personal property tax rates (highlighted in green), which total 122.77 (1.2277%)
2. Utilized the KY DOR Guidelines (attached) to determine the tax rates that apply to each category of solar equipment (e.g. state rate only, or state + local rates)
3. Calculated the weighted tangible property tax rate applicable to the solar equipment (see sheet 1 of the Property Tax Calculator, titled 'KY Solar Farm Categories').
4. Applied the weighted tangible property tax rate to the estimated total assessed value of the solar equipment (net of depreciation) to calculate the estimated tangible property tax for each year over 30 years (see sheet 2 of the Property Tax Calculator, column I).

Real Property Taxes (we pay all real property taxes on the land we lease)

1. Utilizing the 2020 Property Tax Rate Book, summed the applicable real property tax rates (highlighted in yellow), which totals 105 (1.05%)
2. Utilizing the Tax Cards for the parcels underlying the project site (attached), determined the current average Net Taxable Value per acre for those parcels, which is \$401 per acre (see Current Taxes spreadsheet, attached)
3. Multiplied the current average Net Taxable Value per acre of \$401 by the 370 acres of the project site to calculate the current land value of the project site (see sheet 2 of the Property Tax Calculator, column B)
4. Multiplied the real property tax rate by the current land value to estimate the real property taxes currently collected on the project site (see sheet 2 of the Property Tax Calculator, column B)
5. Estimated that the 370 acres comprising the project site will be reassessed after the change of use from ag to solar, at a value of \$6,000 per acre (this falls at the low end of what we've seen across the southeast).
6. Multiplied the real property tax rate by the estimated land value to estimate the real property taxes to be collected on the project site once it is converted to solar (see sheet 2 of the Property Tax Calculator, column E)

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Chris

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2020 Tax Year

MEADE COUNTY 082

TDID	TD TYPE	TAXING JURISDICTIONS	REAL ESTATE	TANGIBLE PERSONAL	MERCHANTS INVENTORY	DOCUMENTED WATERCRAFT	PERSONAL AIRCRAFT	INVENTORY IN TRANSIT
082003	COUNTY	EXTENSION SERVICES	3.1000	6.6000	6.6000	6.6000	0.0000	0.0000
082004	COUNTY	GENERAL FISCAL COURT	21.6000	37.3400	19.0000	37.3400	37.3400	0.0000
082005	COUNTY	HEALTH	2.7000	2.8300	2.8300	2.8300	0.0000	0.0000
082006	COUNTY	LIBRARY	9.8000	15.0000	15.0000	15.0000	15.0000	15.0000
082007	COUNTY	SOIL CONSERVATION	0.8000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
COUNTY WIDE TOTAL			38.0000	61.7700	43.4300	61.7700	52.3400	15.0000
082009	SCHOOL	GENERAL MEADE COUNTY	59.5000	59.5000	59.5000	59.5000	0.0000	0.0000
082016	SPECIAL	BATTLETOWN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT	10.0000	10.0000	10.0000	10.0000	10.0000	10.0000
082015	SPECIAL	EKRON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT	8.0000	8.0000	8.0000	8.0000	8.0000	8.0000
082013	SPECIAL	FLAHERTY FIRE DISTRICT	7.5000	1.5000	1.5000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
082002	SPECIAL	MEADE CO FIRE DISTRICT #1	7.5000	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000
082014	SPECIAL	PAYNEVILLE FIRE DISTRICT	10.0000	10.0000	10.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
082010	CITY	BRANDENBURG	22.6000	47.7300	47.7300	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
082011	CITY	EKRON	14.0000	14.0000	14.0000	14.0000	14.0000	0.0000
082012	CITY	MULDRAUGH	19.3000	31.6000	31.6000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

OTHER PROPERTY RELATED TAXES

TIMERBERLAND FIRE PROTECTION 2.0 CENTS PER ACRE

NOTE: EKRON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT COVERS THE ENTIRE CITY OF EKRON PLUS SURROUNDING AREA

NOTE: MEADE CO FIRE DISTRICT #1 COVERS THE ENTIRE CITY OF BRANDENBURG PLUS SURROUNDING AREA

Solar Farm Assessment Recommended Guidelines



For public service companies, the solar electric equipment would be classified as follows:

Manufacturing machinery, 15¢ per \$100 state rate only

- Solar Panel
- Inverters & Converters, Transformers, Trackers, Batteries
- Mounting racks, stands, frames & hardware
- DC meters, junction/combiner boxes, solar strings, breakers, control switches, regulators
- DC Above Ground & Underground Cables & Connectors

Tangible personal, 45¢ per \$100 state rate & full local rates

- Above ground transmission power lines/wires/poles and related equipment
- AC switchgears, Meters, Breakers, Control Switches, Regulators
- AC Above Ground & Underground Cables & Connectors
- Security Systems, Communication Equipment
- Computer systems, monitor & control systems and SCADA systems

Real property, 12.2¢ per \$100 state rate & full local rates

- Land used for the Solar Panels
- Right-of-ways, Conduits, Buildings, Shelters, Huts, Fencing

Solar farms will need to file a form 61A200 with the Department of Revenue every year. The deadline is April 30 of each year. **Extensions may be granted for 30 days if the extension is requested in writing before April 30 and includes a report detailing any increases or decreases in property of \$50,000 or more in any taxing jurisdiction (KRS 136.130).** Incomplete extension requests will be denied and a penalty may apply. No extension will be granted beyond May 30.

In addition to form 61A200, electric power companies are also required to file Schedules A, B, C, D, D1, I, J, K, K2, L, N1 – N3, R, S, U, CI, Z. These can all be found with the form 61A200 on the Department of Revenue website, <https://revenue.ky.gov>.

If a property owner has solar panels on a residence or business, the panels may or may not add a significant contributory value to the property. The PVA should estimate the cost information or obtain the cost information from the property owner, and determine a value to be added to the assessment.

Any questions regarding solar farms should be directed to Robert Carbin with the Public Service Branch, 502-564-7148.



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Office of Property Valuation
Division of State Valuation
502-564-8175**

All commercial solar farms would be classified as public service companies (PSC), titled as an Electric Power Company, subject to central taxation by the DOR as directed by KRS 136.120.

Solar farms should only start filing the form 61A200 after the farm goes online and begins selling electricity to customers. Prior to being operational, the land would be picked up by the PVA as real estate and any construction work in progress on the solar farm would be filed on the tangible personal property return, form 62A500.

The main criteria used to differentiate a public service company from all other types of solar operating systems:

- The PSC owner has a business profit motivation.
- The primary intent of the PSC owner is to sell the majority of electric power directly to other electric companies (KU, LGE, TVA, KY Power, RECC's, etc.) via the grid.
- The primary intent of the PSC owner is to sell the majority of electric power directly to consumers (industrial plants, commercial businesses, homeowners, etc.) via the grid.
- The PSC owner's intent is not to use the electricity for their personal home use, farming use, and/or private business use.
- The PSC owner's intent is not to gain energy credits on their personal and/or business electric bill.

* SOURCE: Solar Farm Assessment Recommended Guidelines_2_April 2020. Kentucky Department of Revenue Office of Property Valuation Division of State Valuation

Labor and Indirects	0.31
Indirects	\$0.093
Materials	\$0.501
Total EPC w/out Indirects	\$0.811

CATEGORY	State (cents/\$100)	Local (cents/\$)	Total (cents/\$)	Percentage	\$/Wattdc	Direct Labor	% Age	Indirects	Total:	Weighted Rate
1) Solar Panels – Manufacturing machinery, 15¢ per \$100 state rate only	15		15	0.15%	\$0.260	\$0.020	51.90%	\$0.048	\$0.328	0.0607%
2) Inverters & Converters – Manufacturing machinery, 15¢ per \$100 state rate only	15		15	0.15%	\$0.035	\$0.012	6.99%	\$0.006	\$0.053	0.0099%
3) Transformers – Manufacturing machinery, 15¢ per \$100 state rate only	15		15	0.15%	\$0.025	\$0.023	4.99%	\$0.005	\$0.053	0.0097%
4) Trackers – Machinery, 15¢ per \$100 state rate only	15		15	0.15%	\$0.105	\$0.040	20.96%	\$0.019	\$0.164	0.0304%
5) Batteries – Tangible personal, 45¢ per \$100 state rate & full local rates	45	122.77	167.77	1.68%						
6) Mounting Racks, Stands, Frames, & Hardware – Manufacturing machinery, 15¢ per \$100 state rate only	15		15	0.15%	\$0.013	\$0.016	2.59%	\$0.002	\$0.031	0.0058%
7) Wiring, Cable, Poles, Power Lines – Tangible personal, 45¢ per \$100 state rate & full local rates	45	122.77	167.77	1.68%	\$0.060	\$0.100	11.98%	\$0.011	\$0.171	0.3540%
8) Meters, Breakers, Control Switches – Tangible personal, 45¢ per \$100 state rate & full local rates	45	122.77	167.77	1.68%	\$0.003	\$0.006	0.60%	\$0.001	\$0.010	0.0198%
9) Land used for the Solar Panels – Real property, 12.2¢ per \$100 state rate & full local rates	12.2	105	117.2	1.17%						
10) Right-of-ways, Conduits, Buildings, Shelters, Huts, Fencing – Real property, 12.2¢ per \$100 state rate & full local rates	12.2	105	117.2	1.17%						
TOTAL					\$0.310	\$0.217		\$0.093	\$0.811	0.4904%

Meade County Solar

Site Area (Acres)	370
Current Assessment (\$/Acre)	\$401
Solar Assessment (\$/Acre)	\$6,000
Yearly Land Appreciation Rate	2%
Real Property Tax Rate	1.17239%
Solar Equipment (Watt-ac)	40,000,000
Solar Equipment (Watt-dc)	52,000,000
Equipment Cost (\$/Watt-dc)	\$0.811
Tangible Property Tax Abatement	\$0.00
Weighted Tangible Property Tax Rate	0.4904%

Year	Real Property Tax				Tangible Property Tax				Total Tax
	Current Land Value	Estimated Real Property Tax (Current)	Solar Land Value	Estimated Real Property Tax (Solar)	Original Value of Solar Equipment	KY Depreciation (Class VI -18 yr life)	Assessed Value of Solar Equipment	Tangible Property Tax	Total Property Tax
1	\$148,370	\$1,739	\$2,220,000	\$26,027	\$42,172,000	96.90%	\$40,864,668	\$200,392	\$226,419
2	\$151,337	\$1,774	\$2,264,400	\$26,548	\$42,172,000	95.70%	\$40,358,604	\$197,910	\$224,458
3	\$154,364	\$1,810	\$2,309,688	\$27,079	\$42,172,000	94.40%	\$39,810,368	\$195,222	\$222,300
4	\$157,451	\$1,846	\$2,355,882	\$27,620	\$42,172,000	92.90%	\$39,177,788	\$192,120	\$219,740
5	\$160,600	\$1,883	\$2,402,999	\$28,173	\$42,172,000	89.60%	\$37,786,112	\$185,295	\$213,468
6	\$163,812	\$1,921	\$2,451,059	\$28,736	\$42,172,000	84.70%	\$35,719,684	\$175,162	\$203,898
7	\$167,089	\$1,959	\$2,500,081	\$29,311	\$42,172,000	82.30%	\$34,707,556	\$170,198	\$199,509
8	\$170,430	\$1,998	\$2,550,082	\$29,897	\$42,172,000	78.90%	\$33,273,708	\$163,167	\$193,064
9	\$173,839	\$2,038	\$2,601,084	\$30,495	\$42,172,000	75.50%	\$31,839,860	\$156,136	\$186,631
10	\$177,316	\$2,079	\$2,653,106	\$31,105	\$42,172,000	74.20%	\$31,291,624	\$153,447	\$184,552
11	\$180,862	\$2,120	\$2,706,168	\$31,727	\$42,172,000	71.30%	\$30,068,636	\$147,450	\$179,177
12	\$184,479	\$2,163	\$2,760,291	\$32,361	\$42,172,000	65.00%	\$27,411,800	\$134,422	\$166,783
13	\$188,169	\$2,206	\$2,815,497	\$33,009	\$42,172,000	64.50%	\$27,200,940	\$133,388	\$166,396
14	\$191,932	\$2,250	\$2,871,807	\$33,669	\$42,172,000	61.90%	\$26,104,468	\$128,011	\$161,680
15	\$195,771	\$2,295	\$2,929,243	\$34,342	\$42,172,000	60.70%	\$25,598,404	\$125,529	\$159,871
16	\$199,686	\$2,341	\$2,987,828	\$35,029	\$42,172,000	58.20%	\$24,544,104	\$120,359	\$155,388
17	\$203,680	\$2,388	\$3,047,584	\$35,730	\$42,172,000	56.90%	\$23,995,868	\$117,671	\$153,400
18	\$207,754	\$2,436	\$3,108,536	\$36,444	\$42,172,000	52.10%	\$21,971,612	\$107,744	\$144,188
19	\$211,909	\$2,484	\$3,170,707	\$37,173	\$42,172,000	47.00%	\$19,820,840	\$97,197	\$134,370
20	\$216,147	\$2,534	\$3,234,121	\$37,917	\$42,172,000	41.20%	\$17,374,864	\$85,203	\$123,119
21	\$220,470	\$2,585	\$3,298,803	\$38,675	\$42,172,000	36.00%	\$15,181,920	\$74,449	\$113,124
22	\$224,879	\$2,636	\$3,364,779	\$39,448	\$42,172,000	30.30%	\$12,778,116	\$62,661	\$102,109
23	\$229,377	\$2,689	\$3,432,075	\$40,237	\$42,172,000	24.30%	\$10,247,796	\$50,253	\$90,490
24	\$233,965	\$2,743	\$3,500,716	\$41,042	\$42,172,000	18.50%	\$7,801,820	\$38,258	\$79,301
25	\$238,644	\$2,798	\$3,570,731	\$41,863	\$42,172,000	12.50%	\$5,271,500	\$25,850	\$67,713
26	\$243,417	\$2,854	\$3,642,145	\$42,700	\$42,172,000	10.00%	\$4,217,200	\$20,680	\$63,380
27	\$248,285	\$2,911	\$3,714,988	\$43,554	\$42,172,000	10.00%	\$4,217,200	\$20,680	\$64,234
28	\$253,251	\$2,969	\$3,789,288	\$44,425	\$42,172,000	10.00%	\$4,217,200	\$20,680	\$65,105
29	\$258,316	\$3,028	\$3,865,074	\$45,314	\$42,172,000	10.00%	\$4,217,200	\$20,680	\$65,994
30	\$263,482	\$3,089	\$3,942,375	\$46,220	\$42,172,000	10.00%	\$4,217,200	\$20,680	\$66,900
NPV (2%)		\$51,161		\$765,502				\$2,725,123	\$3,490,625

Meade County Solar - Current Real Property Taxation

Parcel	Primary Owner	Net Taxable Value			Net Taxable Value Land Only (2020)	Parcel Acres	Net Taxable Value		Net Taxable Value	
		Land + Improvements (2020)	Taxes Due by 12/31/20	Tax Rate (2020)			per acre (2020)	Solar Acres	Solar Acres (2020)	Taxes Levied on Solar Acres
119-00-00-002	Bennett	\$ 154,800	\$ 1,814.86	\$0.01172	\$ 86,700	188.38	\$ 460	72	\$ 33,137	\$ 388
119-00-00-011	Scott Hill Farm	\$ 166,500	\$ 1,953.14	\$0.01173	\$ 70,300	211.23	\$ 333	46	\$ 15,309	\$ 180
119-00-00-012.01	Stith Valley Co	\$ 11,800	\$ 139.48	\$0.01182	\$ 11,800	59.00	\$ 200	0.20	\$ 40	\$ 0
131-00-00-003.01	Gohl Brothers	\$ 419,100	\$ 4,918.43	\$0.01174	\$ 419,100	915.90	\$ 458	3.00	\$ 1,373	\$ 16
131-00-00-001	Hamilton	\$ 341,200	\$ 4,000.06	\$0.01172	\$ 227,800	606.80	\$ 375	203.00	\$ 76,209	\$ 893
131-00-00-019	Phillips	\$ 88,100	\$ 1,032.97	\$0.01172	\$ 88,100	181.30	\$ 486	46.00	\$ 22,353	\$ 262
TOTAL								370.20	\$ 148,421	\$ 1,740

 Meade County, KY PVA

Summary

Parcel Number 119-00-00-002
 Account Number 828
 Location Address 4080 STITH VALLEY RD-GUSTON
 Description HOUSE&LAND(188+ AC) KY 1238
 (Note: Not to be used on legal documents)
 Class Farm
 Tax District 04 Flaherty FPD
 Rate Per Thousand 11.7200

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Owner

Primary Owner
 BENNETT MARIAN W
 375 BUNGER RD
 EKRON, KY 40117-

Land Characteristics

Condition	Average	Topography	
Plat Book/Page		Drainage	
Subdivision		Flood Hazard	
Lot		Zoning	
Block		Electric	Yes
Acres	188.38	Water	Yes
Front	0	Gas	No
Depth	0	Sewer	Yes
Lot Size	0x0	Road	Secondary
Lot Sq Ft	0	Sidewalks	
Shape		Information Source	Deed

Valuation

	2020 Certified	2019 Certified	2018 Certified
+ Land Value	\$86,700	\$86,700	\$75,200
+ Improvement Value	\$68,100	\$68,100	\$64,500
+ Ag Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total Taxable Value	\$154,800	\$154,800	\$139,700
- Exemption Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Net Taxable Value	\$154,800	\$154,800	\$139,700
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+ Land FCV	\$758,000	\$758,000	\$751,500
+ Improvement FCV	\$68,100	\$68,100	\$64,500
+ Ag Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total FCV	\$826,100	\$826,100	\$816,000
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Exemption			
Farm Acres	188.38	188.38	188.38
Fire Protection Acres	30.00	30.00	30.00

Improvement Information

Building Number	1	Kitchens	1
Description	HOUSE & DET GAR	Dining Rooms	1
Residence Type	Single Family	Living Rooms	0
Comm Type		Family Rooms	1
Mobile Home Type		Bedrooms	3
Year Built	1922	Full Baths	1
Effective Age	0	Half Baths	0
Ave. Wall Height	8	Other Rooms	0
Structure	1 1/2 Story	Total Rooms	6
Number of Stories	1.5	Living Sq Ft	1,740
Exterior	Vinyl	Fireplaces/Water	0/1
Foundation	Post & Pier	Supplemental Heat	
Construction Type	Wood Frame	Mobile Home Model	
Construction Quality	Average/Standard	Mobile Home Manufacturer	
Building Condition	Good/Average	MH Skirt Foundation	
Roof Type	Gable	Heat	Yes
Roof Cover	Comp.Shingles	Heat Source	Electric
Roof Pitch	High	Heat Type	Heat Pump
Basement Type	None	Air Conditioning	Yes
Basement Finish		AC/Type	Central
Basement Size	None	Special Improvements	No
Basement Sq Ft	0	Fire Alarm	No
Garage/Carport	Garage	Sprinklers	No
Garage Size	2 Car	Porch/Deck	
Garage Type	Detached	Porch Sq Ft	256
Garage Exterior	Vinyl	Deck Sq Ft	0
Width	24	Concrete Sq Ft	0
Length	30	Farm Bldg Type	
Garage Sq Ft	720	Value	\$68,100.00
Pool		Driveway	Gravel
Pool Size	0	Fence	0
Tennis Courts			

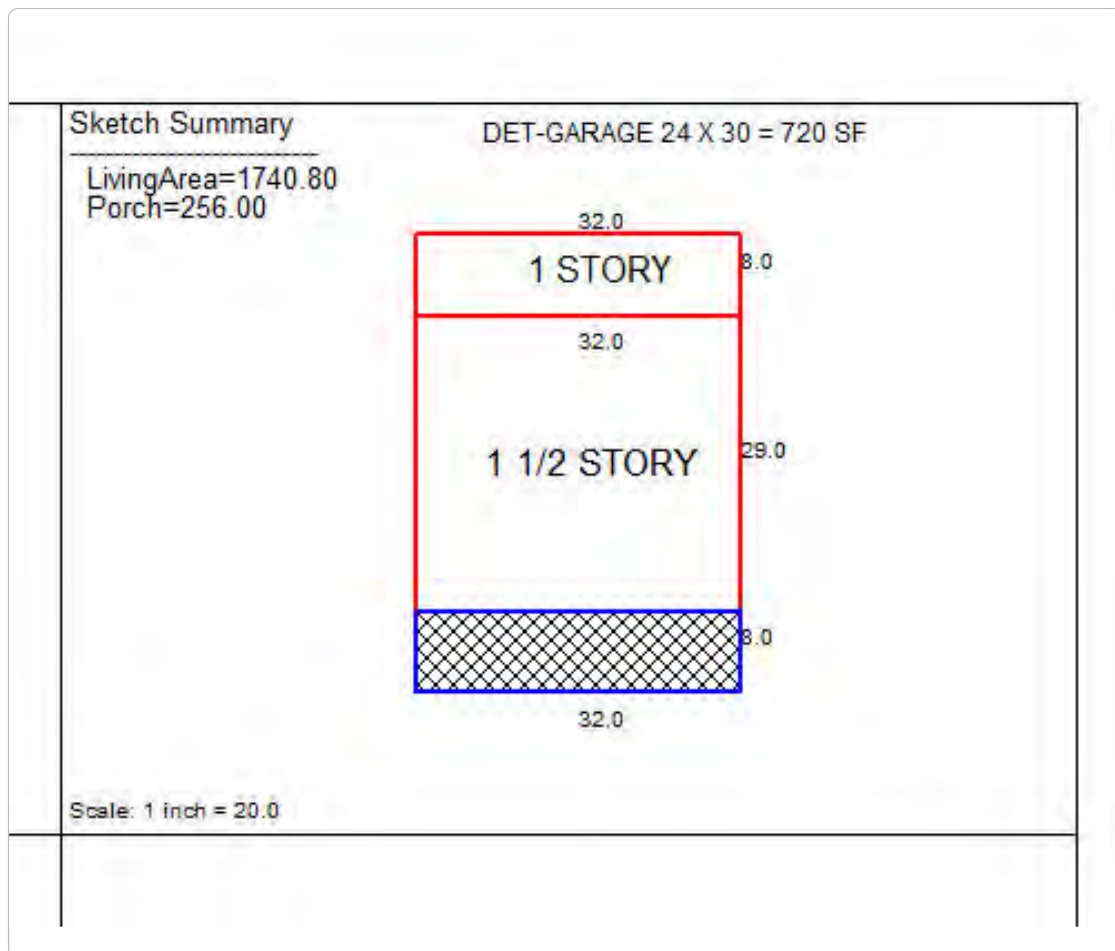
Sale Information

Sale Date	Sale Price	Sale Type	Book-Page	Grantee	Grantor
12/21/1983	\$0	Close Relative Sale	205-076	BENNETT MARION W (SHOULD BE MARIAN)	WILLIAMS FRANCES F ESTATE

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 Meade County, KY PVA

Summary

Parcel Number 119-00-00-011
 Account Number 8577
 Location Address 1055 BALLMAN RD-GUSTON
 Description HOUSE&LAND(211+AC)
 (Note: Not to be used on legal documents)
 Class Farm
 Tax District 04 Flaherty FPD
 Rate Per Thousand 11.7200

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Owner

Primary Owner
 SCOTT HILL FARM LTD CO
 C/O:MARTHA CLIFT
 239 JOHNS RD
 RADCLIFF, KY 40160-

Land Characteristics

Condition	Average	Topography	
Plat Book/Page		Drainage	
Subdivision		Flood Hazard	
Lot		Zoning	
Block		Electric	Yes
Acres	211.23	Water	Yes
Front	0	Gas	No
Depth	0	Sewer	Yes
Lot Size	0x0	Road	Secondary
Lot Sq Ft	0	Sidewalks	
Shape		Information Source	Deed

Valuation

	2020 Certified	2019 Certified	2018 Certified
+ Land Value	\$96,200	\$96,200	\$84,900
+ Improvement Value	\$70,300	\$70,300	\$64,300
+ Ag Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total Taxable Value	\$166,500	\$166,500	\$149,200
- Exemption Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Net Taxable Value	\$166,500	\$166,500	\$149,200
+ Land FCV	\$957,000	\$957,000	\$880,800
+ Improvement FCV	\$70,300	\$70,300	\$64,300
+ Ag Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total FCV	\$1,027,300	\$1,027,300	\$945,100
Exemption			
Farm Acres	211.23	211.23	211.23
Fire Protection Acres	88.00	88.00	88.00

Improvement Information

Building Number	1	Kitchens	1
Description	HOUSE & ATT CPT	Dining Rooms	0
Residence Type	Single Family	Living Rooms	0
Comm Type		Family Rooms	1
Mobile Home Type		Bedrooms	3
Year Built	1949	Full Baths	1
Effective Age	0	Half Baths	0
Ave. Wall Height	8	Other Rooms	0
Structure	1 Story	Total Rooms	5
Number of Stories	1	Living Sq Ft	1,608
Exterior	Other	Fireplaces/Water	0/1
Foundation	Concrete Block	Supplemental Heat	
Construction Type	Wood Frame	Mobile Home Model	
Construction Quality	Average/Standard	Mobile Home Manufacturer	
Building Condition	Good/Average	MH Skirt Foundation	
Roof Type	Gable	Heat	Yes
Roof Cover	Comp.Shingles	Heat Source	None
Roof Pitch	High	Heat Type	None
Basement Type	Walkout	Air Conditioning	Yes
Basement Finish		AC/Type	Wall Units
Basement Size	Full	Special Improvements	No
Basement Sq Ft	1188	Fire Alarm	No
Garage/Carport	Carport	Sprinklers	No
Garage Size	1 Car	Porch/Deck	
Garage Type	Attached	Porch Sq Ft	147
Garage Exterior		Deck Sq Ft	45
Width	14	Concrete Sq Ft	0
Length	20	Farm Bldg Type	
Garage Sq Ft	0	Value	\$70,300.00
Pool		Driveway	Gravel
Pool Size	0	Fence	0
Tennis Courts			

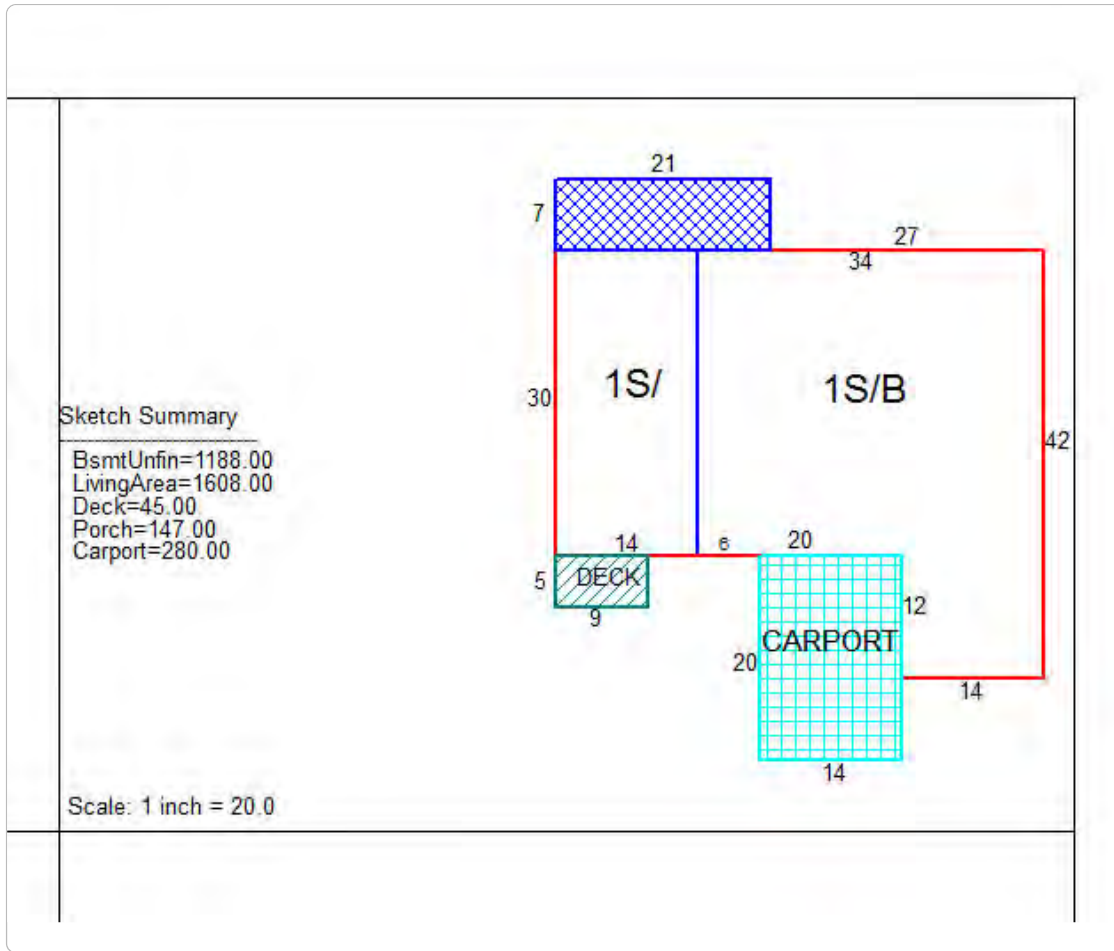
Sale Information

Sale Date	Sale Price	Sale Type	Book-Page	Grantee	Grantor
3/4/1998	\$0		407-158	SCOTT HILL FARM LTD CO	SCOTT WALTER C
4/14/1954	\$0		085-574	SCOTT WALTER C	WOOLFOLK J B

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Summary

Parcel Number 119-00-00-012.01
 Account Number 9357
 Location Address BALLMAN RD
 Description LAND(59 AC) KY 1735
 (Note: Not to be used on legal documents)
 Class Farm
 Tax District 04 Flaherty FPD
 Rate Per Thousand 11.7200

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Owner

Primary Owner
[STITH VALLEY COMPANY LLC](#)
 P O BOX 3
 POWAY, CA 92074

Land Characteristics

Condition	Average	Topography	
Plat Book/Page		Drainage	
Subdivision		Flood Hazard	
Lot		Zoning	
Block		Electric	No
Acres	59.00	Water	No
Front	0	Gas	No
Depth	0	Sewer	No
Lot Size	0x0	Road	Secondary
Lot Sq Ft	0	Sidewalks	
Shape		Information Source	Deed

Valuation

	2020 Certified	2019 Certified	2018 Certified
+ Land Value	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$11,800
+ Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Ag Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total Taxable Value	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$11,800
- Exemption Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Net Taxable Value	\$11,800	\$11,800	\$11,800
+ Land FCV	\$206,500	\$206,500	\$206,500
+ Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Ag Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total FCV	\$206,500	\$206,500	\$206,500
Exemption			
Farm Acres	59.00	59.00	59.00
Fire Protection Acres	59.00	59.00	59.00

Sale Information

Sale Date	Sale Price	Sale Type	Book-Page	Grantee	Grantor
11/3/2004	\$0		492-036	STITH VALLEY COMPANY	SCOTT, JESS B. & BRIAN L.
7/30/2004	\$0		488-299	SCOTT JESS B	BALLMAN RONALD E & DEBRA
3/14/1996	\$0		383-370	BALLMAN RONALD E & DEBRA	BALLMAN BERTHA M
10/17/1962	\$0		097-444	BALLMAN BERTHA M	

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Summary

Parcel Number 131-00-00-003.01
 Account Number 16145
 Location Address KY 333
 Description LAND(915+AC)
 (Note: Not to be used on legal documents)
 Class Farm
 Tax District 04 Flaherty FPD
 Rate Per Thousand 11.7200

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Owner

Primary Owner
 GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES LLC
 11801 ORELL RD
 LOUISVILLE, KY 40272-

Land Characteristics

Condition	Average	Topography	
Plat Book/Page		Drainage	
Subdivision		Flood Hazard	
Lot		Zoning	
Block		Electric	No
Acres	915.90	Water	No
Front	0	Gas	No
Depth	0	Sewer	No
Lot Size	0x0	Road	2 Lane
Lot Sq Ft	0	Sidewalks	
Shape	Irregular	Information Source	Deed

Valuation

	2020 Certified	2019 Certified	2018 Certified
+ Land Value	\$419,100	\$419,100	\$330,500
+ Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Ag Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total Taxable Value	\$419,100	\$419,100	\$330,500
- Exemption Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Net Taxable Value	\$419,100	\$419,100	\$330,500
+ Land FCV	\$4,122,000	\$4,122,000	\$3,842,500
+ Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Ag Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total FCV	\$4,122,000	\$4,122,000	\$3,842,500
Exemption			
Farm Acres	915.90	915.90	915.90
Fire Protection Acres	329.00	329.00	329.00

Sale Information

Sale Date	Sale Price	Sale Type	Book-Page	Grantee	Grantor
6/17/2015	\$71,300	Close Relative Sale	622-038	GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES LLC (365+AC	GOHL JOHN G ESTATE
6/17/2015	\$107,300	Close Relative Sale	622-038	GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES LLC (550+AC	GOHL JOHN G ESTATE
3/7/2000	\$0		WBP-377	GOHL JOHN G	GOHL,HERMAN G.
4/24/1992	\$0		309-299	GOHL HERMAN G	DAVIS JOHN ET AL
5/8/1967	\$0		108-225	DAVIS JOHN ET AL	

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 Meade County, KY PVA

Summary

Parcel Number 131-00-00-001
 Account Number 21294
 Location Address 4316 BIG SPRING RD-VG
 Description HOUSE&LAND(606+AC)
 (Note: Not to be used on legal documents)
 Class Farm
 Tax District 04 Flaherty FPD
 Rate Per Thousand 11.7200

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Owner

Primary Owner
 HAMILTON DAVID ANTHONY TRUST ET AL
 4316 BIG SPRING RD
 VINE GROVE, KY 40175

Land Characteristics

Condition	Average	Topography	
Plat Book/Page		Drainage	
Subdivision		Flood Hazard	
Lot		Zoning	
Block		Electric	Yes
Acres	606.80	Water	Yes
Front	0	Gas	No
Depth	0	Sewer	Yes
Lot Size	0x0	Road	Secondary
Lot Sq Ft	0	Sidewalks	
Shape	Irregular	Information Source	Deed

Valuation

	2020 Certified	2019 Certified	2018 Certified
+ Land Value	\$227,800	\$227,800	\$195,500
+ Improvement Value	\$113,400	\$113,400	\$96,500
+ Ag Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total Taxable Value	\$341,200	\$341,200	\$292,000
- Exemption Value	\$0	(\$39,300)	(\$37,600)
= Net Taxable Value	\$341,200	\$301,900	\$254,400
+ Land FCV	\$2,868,000	\$2,868,000	\$2,613,500
+ Improvement FCV	\$113,400	\$113,400	\$96,500
+ Ag Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total FCV	\$2,981,400	\$2,981,400	\$2,710,000
Exemption		HX	HX
Farm Acres	606.80	606.80	606.80
Fire Protection Acres	60.00	60.00	60.00

Improvement Information

Building Number	1	Kitchens	1
Description	HOUSE W/BSMT & ATT GAR	Dining Rooms	1
Residence Type	Single Family	Living Rooms	0
Comm Type		Family Rooms	1
Mobile Home Type		Bedrooms	3
Year Built	1959	Full Baths	1
Effective Age	0	Half Baths	1
Ave. Wall Height	8	Other Rooms	0
Structure	1 Story	Total Rooms	6
Number of Stories	1	Living Sq Ft	1,744
Exterior	Bedford Stone	Fireplaces/Water	0/1
Foundation	Concrete Block	Supplemental Heat	
Construction Type	Wood Frame	Mobile Home Model	
Construction Quality	Average/Standard	Mobile Home Manufacturer	
Building Condition	Good/Average	MH Skirt Foundation	
Roof Type	Hip	Heat	Yes
Roof Cover	Comp.Shingles	Heat Source	Bottled Gas
Roof Pitch	Low	Heat Type	Forced Air
Basement Type	Sunken	Air Conditioning	Yes
Basement Finish	All Finished	AC/Type	Central
Basement Size	Full	Special Improvements	No
Basement Sq Ft	1307	Fire Alarm	No
Garage/Carport	Garage	Sprinklers	No
Garage Size	2 Car	Porch/Deck	
Garage Type	Attached	Porch Sq Ft	683
Garage Exterior	Brick/Stone	Deck Sq Ft	0
Width	20	Concrete Sq Ft	0
Length	26	Farm Bldg Type	
Garage Sq Ft	520	Value	\$113,400.00
Pool		Driveway	
Pool Size	0	Fence	0
Tennis Courts			

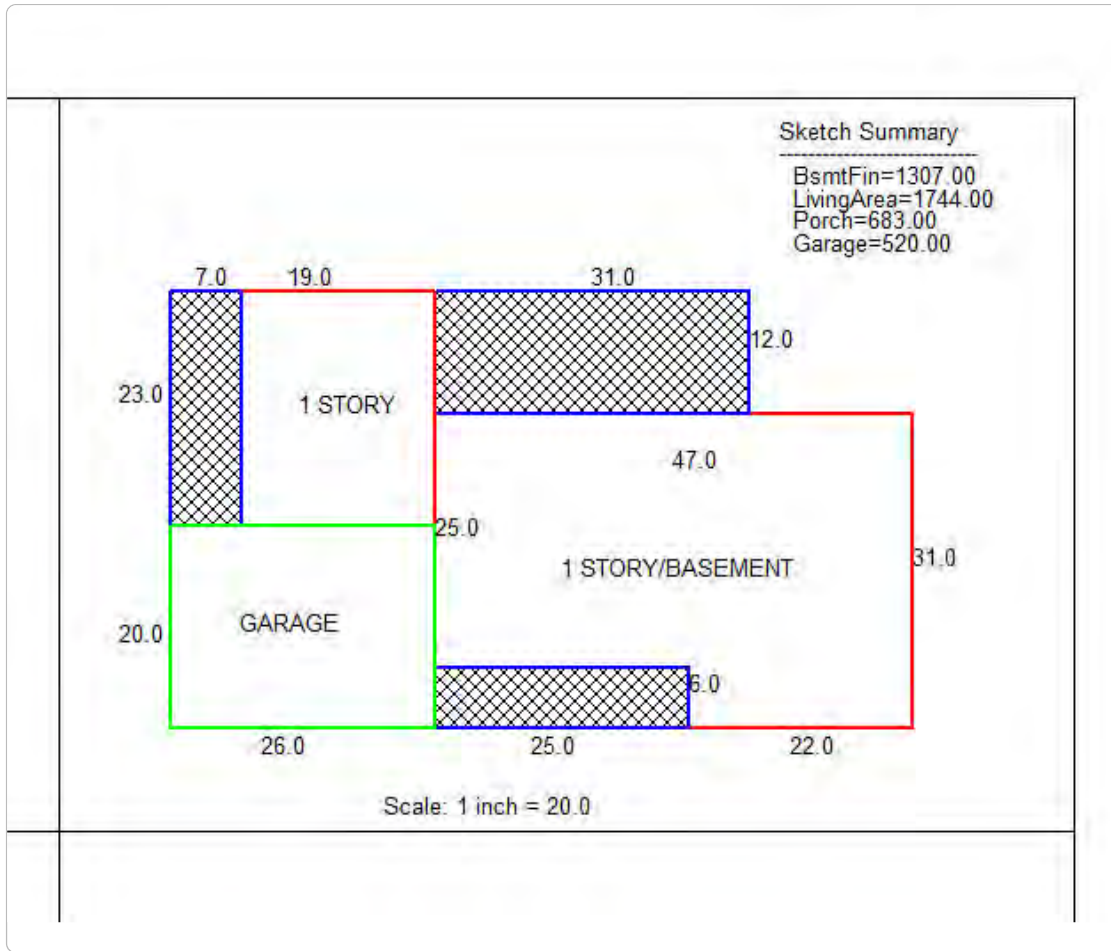
Sale Information

Sale Date	Sale Price	Sale Type	Book-Page	Grantee	Grantor
8/18/2020	\$0	Close Relative Sale	694-422	HAMILTON ALAN FRANCIS TRUST ET AL	HAMILTON ROBERT F JR IRREVOCABLE
5/13/2020	\$0	Affiliated Organizations	688-478	HAMILTON ROBERT F JR IRREVOCABLE	HAMILTON ROBERT F HAMILTON JR REV TR
5/13/2020	\$0	Affiliated Organizations	688-471	HAMILTON ROBERT F JR IRREVOCABLE	HAMILTON ROBERT F JR IRREVOCABLE TR&
4/11/2013	\$1,055,000	Master Commissioner	596-408	HAMILTON MARTHA J IRR TRUST (1/2)	HAMILTON MARTHA J REV TRUST
4/11/2013	\$2,945,000	Master Commissioner	506-403	HAMILTON MARTHA J IRR TRUST (1/2)	HAMILTON MARTHA J REV TRUST
6/24/1994	\$0		352-109	HAMILTON ROBERT F JR & MARTHA JANE	HAMILTON ELIZABETH
1/1/1967	\$0		108-070	HAMILTON ELIZABETH	

Photos



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Parcel Number 131-00-00-019
 Account Number 7498
 Location Address CLARKSON RD
 Description LAND (181+AC)
 (Note: Not to be used on legal documents)
 Class Farm
 Tax District 04 Flaherty FPD
 Rate Per Thousand 11.7200

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Owner

Primary Owner
[PHILLIPS RONALD JERRY & DEBRA](#)
 1055 CLARKSON RD
 VINE GROVE, KY 40175-

Land Characteristics

Condition	Average	Topography	
Plat Book/Page		Drainage	
Subdivision		Flood Hazard	
Lot		Zoning	
Block		Electric	No
Acres	181.30	Water	No
Front	0	Gas	No
Depth	0	Sewer	No
Lot Size	0x0	Road	Secondary
Lot Sq Ft	0	Sidewalks	
Shape		Information Source	Deed

Valuation

	2020 Certified	2019 Certified	2018 Certified
+ Land Value	\$88,100	\$88,100	\$70,100
+ Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Ag Improvement Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total Taxable Value	\$88,100	\$88,100	\$70,100
- Exemption Value	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Net Taxable Value	\$88,100	\$88,100	\$70,100
+ Land FCV	\$868,800	\$868,800	\$814,500
+ Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Ag Improvement FCV	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Total FCV	\$868,800	\$868,800	\$814,500
Exemption			
Farm Acres	181.30	181.30	181.30
Fire Protection Acres	22.00	22.00	22.00

Sale Information

Sale Date	Sale Price	Sale Type	Book-Page	Grantee	Grantor
4/5/2004	\$0		492-455	PHILLIPS RONALD JERRY	VETTER,JOSEPH W.
8/1/1969	\$0		113-061	VETTER JOSEPH W	SIMS JESSE B
	\$0		092-310	SIMS JESSE B	

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BENNETT MARIAN W
375 BUNGER RD
EKRON, KY 40117-

Bill Number 1175 Bill Date 11/1/2020

Dist 04 Map Number 119-00-00-002

Property Class	Assessment
REAL EST	154800
FIRE ACRES	30

Description HOUSE&LAND(188+ AC) KY 1238

Location 4080 STITH VALLEY RD-GUSTON

If Paid	Amount
by 11/30/20	1778.56
by 12/31/20	1814.86
by 01/31/21	1905.60
after 01/31/21	2195.98

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SCOTT HILL FARM LTD CO
C/O:MARTHA CLIFT
239 JOHNS RD
RADCLIFF, KY 40160-

Bill Number 12204 Bill Date 11/1/2020

Dist 04 Map Number 119-00-00-011

Property Class	Assessment
REAL EST	166500
FIRE ACRES	88

Description HOUSE&LAND(211+AC)

Location 1055 BALLMAN RD-GUSTON

If Paid	Amount
by 11/30/20	1914.08
by 12/31/20	1953.14
by 01/31/21	2050.80
after 01/31/21	2363.30

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STITH VALLEY COMPANY LLC
P O BOX 3
POWAY, CA 92074

Bill Number 13268 Bill Date 11/1/2020

Dist 04 Map Number 119-00-00-012.01

Property Class	Assessment
REAL EST	11800
FIRE ACRES	59

Description LAND(59 AC) KY 1735
Location BALLMAN RD

If Paid	Amount
by 11/30/20	136.69
by 12/31/20	139.48
by 01/31/21	146.45
after 01/31/21	168.77

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GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES LLC
11801 ORELL RD
LOUISVILLE, KY 40272-

Bill Number 5265 Bill Date 11/1/2020

Dist 04 Map Number 131-00-00-003.01

Property Class	Assessment
REAL EST	419100
FIRE ACRES	329

Description LAND(915+AC)
Location KY 333

If Paid	Amount
by 11/30/20	4820.06
by 12/31/20	4918.43
by 01/31/21	5164.35
after 01/31/21	5951.30

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HAMILTON ROBERT F JR IRREVOCAB
MARTHA J HAMILTON IRREVOCABLE
232 EAST OVER DR
FRANKFORT, KY 40601

Bill Number 5747 Bill Date 11/1/2020

Dist 04 Map Number 131-00-00-001

Property Class	Assessment
REAL EST	341200
FIRE ACRES	60

Description HOUSE&LAND(606+AC) (DEEDS)
Location 4316 BIG SPRING RD-VG

If Paid	Amount
by 11/30/20	3920.06
by 12/31/20	4000.06
by 01/31/21	4200.07
after 01/31/21	4840.08

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PHILLIPS RONALD JERRY & DEBRA

1055 CLARKSON RD
VINE GROVE, KY 40175-

Bill Number 10624 Bill Date 11/1/2020

Dist 04 Map Number 131-00-00-019

Property Class	Assessment
REAL EST	88100
FIRE ACRES	22

Description LAND (181+AC)

Location CLARKSON RD

If Paid	Amount
by 11/30/20	1012.31
by 12/31/20	1032.97
by 01/31/21	1084.62
after 01/31/21	1249.90

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**Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00390
Application – Exhibit 11
Volume 1, Tab 11**

Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(k)

A detailed listing of all violations by it, or any person with an ownership interest, of federal or state environmental laws, rules, or administrative regulations, whether judicial or administrative, where violations have resulted in criminal convictions or civil or administrative fines exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000). The status of any pending action, whether judicial or administrative.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

Neither Meade County Solar LLC, nor any person or entity with an ownership interest in Meade County Solar LLC, has violated any state or federal environmental laws or regulations. There are no known actions, whether judicial or administrative, pending against Meade County Solar LLC, nor any person or entity with an ownership interest in Meade County Solar LLC.

**Case No. 2020-00390
Application - Exhibit 11
No Attachment**

Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00392
Application – Exhibit 12
Volume 1, Tab 12

Filing Requirement: KRS 278.706(2)(l)

A site assessment report as specified in KRS 278.708, to be prepared by the applicant or designee.

- (a) *A description of the proposed facility that shall include a proposed site development plan that describes:
 1. *Surrounding land uses for residential, commercial, agricultural, and recreational purposes;*
 2. *The legal boundaries of the proposed site;*
 3. *Proposed access control to the site;*
 4. *The location of facility buildings, transmission lines, and other structures;*
 5. *Location and use of access ways, internal roads, and railways;*
 6. *Existing or proposed utilities to service the facility;*
 7. *Compliance with applicable setback requirements as provided under KRS 278.704(2), (3), (4), or (5); and*
 8. *Evaluation of the noise levels expected to be produced by the facility;**
- (b) *An evaluation of the compatibility of the facility with scenic surroundings;*
- (c) *The potential changes in property values and land use resulting from the siting, construction, and operation of the proposed facility for property owners adjacent to the facility;*
- (d) *Evaluation of anticipated peak and average noise levels associated with the facility's construction and operation at the property boundary; and*
- (e) *The impact of the facility's operation on road and rail traffic to and within the facility, including anticipated levels of fugitive dust created by the traffic and any anticipated degradation of roads and lands in the vicinity of the facility.*

The site assessment report shall also suggest any mitigating measures to be implemented by the applicant to minimize or avoid adverse effects identified in the site assessment report.

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

Applicant has prepared and hereby submits the required site assessment report by specific compliance with each element of KRS 278.708(3)(a)-(e) and KRS 278.708(4).

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and 12.7 - 20 pages)

KRS 278.708(3)(a): A completed site assessment report shall include:

(a) A description of the proposed facility that shall include a proposed site development plan

Description of the Proposed Facility

The proposed facility (the “Project”) is a 40-megawatt alternating current (40MWac) photovoltaic electricity generation facility to be located across two sites in southwestern Meade County, Kentucky. The Stith Valley site is located at 4080 Stith Valley Road in Guston, Kentucky. The Big Spring site is located at 4316 Big Spring Road in Vine Grove, Kentucky. The two sites will be connected by an approximately 2-mile underground medium voltage cable.

The Project will be situated on up to 370 acres of land, 361 acres of which are currently in agricultural use for the production of row crops. The Applicant has secured the Project site under long-term leases and utility easements.

The Project will consist of crystalline solar panels, affixed to a ground-mounted single-axis tracking system. The electricity produced will be converted from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC) by use of inverters located throughout the Project site. The voltage of the electricity produced will be regulated by transformers located throughout the project site. The entire facility will be surrounded by a security fence.

All the electricity produced by the Project will be gathered at a project substation, prior to delivery to the local transmission system. The Project will interconnect to a 69kV transmission line on site, which is owned and operated by Big Rivers Electric Corporation (“Big Rivers”). The Applicant has signed a long-term contract to sell 100% of the electricity generated by the Project to Big Rivers.

A Site Plan for the proposed facility is provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.1.

(a) 1. Surrounding land uses for residential, commercial, agricultural, and recreational purposes

Surrounding Land Uses

The current uses of the land surrounding the proposed Project site are agricultural (including timber) and residential.

The majority of the land surrounding the proposed Project site is currently in agricultural or timber production. This includes the cultivation of corn, soybeans, and wheat.

There are six residential parcels adjacent to the proposed Project site. These residences are distributed along the site periphery.

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A map indicating the surrounding land uses is provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.2.

(a) 2. *The legal boundaries of the proposed site*

Legal Boundaries of the Proposed Project Site

The proposed Project site is located entirely in Meade County, Kentucky. The metes-and-bounds descriptions of the boundaries of the proposed site are provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.3.

(a) 3. *Proposed access control to the site*

Site Control

Site Control of the proposed Project site is provided via long-term leases and easement agreements between the Applicant and multiple private individual landowners.

The Stith Valley section of the Project site, comprising approximately 116 acres, is constituted of portions of two (2) individual parcels. The Applicant has secured leases for this land. The term of each lease includes a 2-year Development Feasibility Term followed by a 30-year Commercial Term with an option to extend the Commercial Term by two additional 5-year periods. The Meade County Property Valuation Administrator's parcel identification numbers, acreages, parcel addresses, and current owners of these two parcels are as follows:

Parcel ID: 119-00-00-002
Parcel Acreage: 189.96 acres
Leased Acreage: 71 acres
Parcel Address: 4080 Stith Valley Rd., Guston, KY 40142
Current Owner: Estate of Marian W. Bennett

Parcel ID: 119-00-00-011
Parcel Acreage: 205.98 acres
Leased Acreage: 45 acres
Parcel Address: 1055 Ballman Rd., Guston, KY 40142
Current Owner: Scott Hill Farm Ltd., Co.

The Big Spring section of the Project site, comprising approximately 246 acres, is constituted of portions of two (2) individual parcels. The Applicant has secured leases for this land. The term of each lease includes a 2-year Development Feasibility Term followed by a 30-year Commercial Term with an option to extend the Commercial Term by two additional 5-year periods. The Meade County Property Valuation Administrator's parcel identification numbers, acreages, parcel addresses, and current owners of these two parcels are as follows:

Parcel ID: 131-00-00-001

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Parcel Acreage: 601.62 acres
Leased Acreage: 200 acres
Parcel Address: 4316 Big Spring Rd., Vine Grove, KY 40175
Current Owner: Hidden Spring Farm LLC (formerly Hamilton Trusts)

Parcel ID: 131-00-00-019
Parcel Acreage: 157.21 acres
Leased Acreage: 46 acres
Parcel Address: 1055 Clarkson Rd., Vine Grove, KY 40175
Current Owner: Ronald Jerry Phillips, Debra Phillips

The utility easement that connects the two sections of the Project site, comprising approximately 8 acres, includes portions of the parcels listed above, as well as portions of two (2) additional parcels. The Applicant has secured easement agreements across the two (2) additional parcels. The term of the easement agreements is for the operating life of the proposed facility. The Meade County Property Valuation Administrator's parcel identification numbers, acreages, parcel addresses, and current owners of these two easement parcels are as follows:

Parcel ID: 130-00-00-015
Parcel Acreage: 560.02 acres
Parcel Address: KY Route 333, Vine Grove, KY 40175
Current Owner: Gohl Brothers Properties LLC

Parcel ID: 119-00-00-012.01
Parcel Acreage: 37.53 acres
Parcel Address: Ballman Rd., Guston, KY 40142
Current Owner: Stith Valley Company LLC

(a) 4. The location of facility buildings, transmission lines, and other structures

Facility Buildings

The proposed Project will not require the construction/maintenance of any facility buildings. A storage container may be placed on site for the storage of tools and/or spare parts. No office trailer or brick-and-mortar buildings are required.

Transmission Lines

The Project will connect to Big Rivers' 69kV Custer-Flaherty Tap transmission line via an underground circuit running from the project substation to a pole-mounted switch that will be installed on the Custer-Flaherty Tap line. No additional transmission lines will be installed.

Other Structures

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No permanent structures will be constructed as part the Project.

(a) 5. *Location and use of access ways, internal roads, and railways*

Site Access Ways

There are two proposed access points to the Stith Valley section of the Project from a public roadway:

- KY 1238 / Stith Valley Rd.
 - Approximately 555 feet east of the intersection of Stith Valley Road and Scott Hill Road
 - Turning south into the Project site at an existing driveway
- KY 1238 / Stith Valley Rd.
 - Approximately 1800 feet east of the intersection of Stith Valley Road and Scott Hill Road
 - Turning south into the Project site at a new driveway

There is one proposed access points to the Big Spring section of the Project from a public roadway:

- KY 333 / Big Spring Rd.
 - Approximately 0.8 miles south of the intersection of Big Spring Road and KY 1600 / St. Martin Road
 - Turning east into the Project site at an existing driveway

Internal Roads

A network of internal roads will be constructed on the Project site. These will be permeable compacted gravel roads. Internal roads needed to access major electrical equipment such as inverters and transformers will be all-weather in design. All internal roads that conclude in a “dead end” will include a turnaround sufficient in radius to accommodate delivery trucks, fire trucks, and other work or emergency vehicles.

Railways

No railways are located on the Project site, nor will any local railways be used or impacted by the proposed Project.

(a) 6. *Existing or proposed utilities to service the facility*

Existing Utilities

The proposed Project will require a minor amount of electricity during operation for starting equipment, providing communications and security, and for general back-up. The proposed

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Project site is located within the retail service territory of Meade County RECC . A Meade County RECC 3-phase circuit runs along Ballman Road along the eastern periphery of the Stith Valley section of the Project site, and along Big Spring Road at the western periphery of the Big Spring section of the Project site. The Applicant anticipates contracting for station service from Meade County RECC, utilizing existing facilities.

Proposed Utilities

No new utilities are proposed.

(a) 8. ***Compliance with applicable setback requirements as provided under KRS 278.704(2), (3), (4), or (5)***

Project Setback Requirements

KRS 278.704(3) reads:

“If the merchant electric generating facility is proposed to be located in a county or a municipality with planning and zoning, then setback requirements from a property boundary, residential neighborhood, school, hospital, or nursing home facility may be established by the planning and zoning commission. Any setback established by a planning and zoning commission for a facility in an area over which it has jurisdiction shall:

- (a) Have primacy over the setback requirement in subsections (2) and (5) of this section; and
- (b) Not be subject to modification or waiver by the board through a request for deviation by the applicant, as provided in subsection (4) of this section.”

The proposed Project is to be located in Meade County. The Meade County Planning and Zoning Commission recommended, and the Meade County Fiscal Court amended and adopted, Ordinance 2021-005 ‘Solar Energy Systems’ (the “Solar Ordinance”) establishing regulations relating to solar energy systems.

Pursuant to the Solar Ordinance, the Proposed Project is a Level 3 Solar Energy System (“Level 3 SES”) defined as any system that does not satisfy the parameters for a Level 1 Solar Energy System (a roof-mounted system or a ground-mounted system not more than 1 acre in size) or a Level 2 Solar Energy System (a ground-mounted system not more than 5 acres in size).

Setback requirements for a Level 3 SES are: 1) All components of the SES shall be at least fifty (50) feet from the perimeter property lines of the project area and at least two hundred fifty (250) feet from any residential structure, nursing home, church, or school; interconnection facilities may be located within the setback lines; 2) No interior property line setbacks shall be required if the project spans multiple contiguous properties, and; 3) The Planning and Zoning Commission may require more stringent setback lines, to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

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A copy of the Solar Ordinance is provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.4.

The proposed Site Plan adheres to all provisions of the Solar Ordinance, including the observance of 50-foot setbacks from all perimeter property lines, and at least 250-foot setbacks from any residential structure, nursing home, church, or school.

(a) 8. *Evaluation of the **noise levels** expected to be produced by the facility*

Noise Levels Produced by the Facility

An Acoustical Analysis for the proposed Project site was performed by Copperhead Environmental Consulting, Inc., 471 Main St., Paint Lick, KY 40461.

The Acoustical Analysis identified the following sources of sounds that will be produced as a result of the operation and maintenance of the proposed facility:

- Solar Arrays
 - The proposed solar arrays will feature a single-axis tracking system, which will rotate the arrays during the day, following the sun.
 - The tracking system will be driven by DC motors that produce a humming sound at a level of 78 dBA at a distance of one foot.
 - At the nearest residence, 500 feet away, this sound level will have attenuated to a level of 26.87 dBA.
- Inverters
 - The proposed facility will utilize multiple inverter stations, distributed throughout the footprint of the project. Inverters change the flow of electricity from direct current (DC) to alternating current (AC).
 - The inverters feature a cooling fan that will result in fan noise at each inverter station at a sound level of 87.78 dBA at a distance of 3.28 feet (1 meter).
 - At the nearest residence, over 1120 feet away, this sound level will have attenuated to a level of 37.11 dBA.
- Main Transformer
 - The proposed project will utilize a main transformer at the project substation located on the Stith Valley section of the Project site.
 - The main transformer will produce a humming sound at a level of 50 dBA at a distance of 3.28 feet (1 meter).
 - At the nearest residence, over 1030 feet away, this sound level will have attenuated to a level of less than 1 dBA.
- Mowing
 - It is anticipated that the proposed project site will be mowed 20-30 times per year.
 - Typical riding mowers will produce a sound level of 102 dBA at a distance of 1 foot.

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- At the nearest residence, 500 feet away, this sound level will have attenuated to a level of 62 dBA.
- Traffic
 - It is anticipated that 2-3 workers will be employed in the operation and maintenance of the proposed facility. Employees are anticipated to use mid-size or full-size pickup trucks for transportation.
 - The sound levels associated with the arrival and departure of employees to and from the proposed project site are expected to be similar to those produced by a typical single-family household.

The Acoustical Analysis estimates ambient sound levels at the proposed Project site to be in the range of 45 to 55 dBA, which is typical for an agricultural, rural-residential, and undeveloped area. This ambient sound level is typically comprised of noise from farm machinery, natural sounds such as from wind and wildlife, and moderate traffic sounds.

The Acoustical Analysis concludes:

“Overall, the Project would result in temporary minor sound impacts during construction and minimal to negligible impacts during operation and maintenance.”

A copy of the Acoustical Analysis is provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.5.

(b) *An evaluation of the **compatibility of the facility with scenic surroundings***

Compatibility of the Facility with Scenic Surroundings

Solar farms are an assemblage of equipment, temporarily placed in a field. They are low-profile, generally 10 feet tall or less, and installed without foundations or brick-and-mortar structures. As such, they are more similar to greenhouses or center-pivot irrigation systems than commercial or industrial development.

The proposed project site is a group of farm fields, partially screened by established tree lines and hedgerows. The Project will adhere to the Meade County Solar Ordinance, which requires that the existing natural tree growth shall be preserved when reasonably practicable. Also, per the Solar Ordinance, where tree lines do not exist, a double row of staggered evergreens will be planted on 15-foot centers.

In addition to preserving and/or installing a visual buffer, the proposed Site Plan would position the solar panels a minimum of 500 feet away from any adjacent residence or public road. The combination of a low-profile construction, the retention of extensive existing natural buffers, the installation of substantial evergreen buffers where needed, and significantly enhanced setbacks, will result in a facility that is visually compatible with its surroundings.

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Other measures of compatibility include sounds, smells, and the general level of activity. The sounds produced by the facility will be minor, and will dissipate to ambient levels before reaching any adjacent residences. The facility will not produce any odors or smells. The general level of activity, once operational, will be low. The Applicant anticipates hiring 2-3 full-time employees to monitor and maintain the facility. Across these three measures of sound, smell, and activity, the proposed facility will have an impact on the surroundings very similar to those associated with current agricultural production.

In summary, the proposed facility will be compatible with its scenic surroundings.

(c) *The potential changes in property values and land use resulting from the siting, construction, and operation of the proposed facility for property owners adjacent to the facility*

Potential Impact on Adjacent Property Values and Land Use

A Property Value Impact Study for the proposed Project site was performed by Richard C. Kirkland, Jr., MAI, of Kirkland Appraisals, LLC, 9408 Northfield Court, Raleigh, North Carolina 27603. Mr. Kirkland is a Kentucky State Certified General Appraiser.

The Property Value Impact Study utilized matched pair analysis to determine whether there has been an impact to property values resulting from other solar development on abutting or adjoining land. The study methodology included researching and visiting existing and proposed solar farms in Kentucky as well as in other states across the southeast. Mr. Kirkland also researched articles through the Appraisal Institute and discussed the likely impact with other real estate professionals.

Mr. Kirkland concludes:

“The matched pair analysis shows no impact on home values due to abutting or adjoining a solar farm as well as no impact to abutting or adjacent vacant residential or agricultural land where the solar farm is properly screened and buffered. The criteria that typically correlates with downward adjustments on property values such as noise, odor, and traffic all indicate that a solar farm is a compatible use for rural/residential transition areas and that it would function in a harmonious manner with this area.”

“Data from the university studies, broker commentary, and other appraisal studies support a finding of no impact on property value adjoining a solar farm with proper setbacks and landscaped buffers.”

“Based on the data and analysis in this report, it is my professional opinion that the solar farm proposed at the subject property will have no impact on the value of adjoining or abutting properties and that the proposed use is in harmony with the area in which it is located.”

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A copy of the Property Value Impact Study is provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.6.

(d) *Evaluation of anticipated **peak and average noise levels** associated with the facility's construction and operation at the property boundary*

Peak and Average Noise Levels Associated with Construction And Operation

An Acoustical Analysis for the proposed Project site was performed by Copperhead Environmental Consulting, Inc., 471 Main St., Paint Lick, KY 40461.

The Acoustical Analysis identified the following sources of peak noise levels that will be produced during **construction** of the proposed facility:

- Pile Drivers
 - The construction of the solar facility would use equipment typical for site development, including backhoes, generators, pile drivers, and flatbed trucks. The equipment that will produce the greatest sound levels is the pile driver, used to embed steel support posts in the ground.
 - Specialty pile drivers used for solar panel installation (e.g., Vermeer Pile Driver - PD 10) produce a sound level of 84 dBA at a distance of 50 feet.
 - At the nearest residence, 500 feet away, this sound level will have attenuated to a level of 64 dBA.
- Concrete Trucks
 - The transformer base at the project substation will likely be poured concrete. If so, a concrete pump truck will be needed.
 - A concrete pump truck typically generates a sound level of approximately 82 dBA at a distance of 50 feet.
 - At the nearest residence to the substation, over 1000 feet away, the sound level is estimated to peak at a maximum of 55.98 dBA intermittently for a day or two.
- Ditch Witch
 - Underground electrical lines will be installed on site. A ditch trencher (“Ditch Witch”) will be used to dig trenches for burying these cables.
 - A typical Ditch Witch produces a sound level of 74 dBA at a distance of 50 feet.
 - At the nearest residence, 500 feet away, this sound level will have attenuated to a level of 54 dBA.
- Roadway Sound During Construction
 - During construction, a temporary increase in traffic volume associated with travel of construction workers (up to 150 workers), delivery of construction equipment and material, and delivery of solar panel components and equipment is anticipated. Worker commutes with passenger vehicles and trucks would occur daily with two traffic peaks (i.e., morning peak and afternoon peak), whereas deliveries of equipment would occur on trailers, flatbeds, or other large vehicles periodically throughout the construction process at various times of day. Based upon the sound

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levels published by FHWA, the sound contributed by construction vehicles such as flatbed trucks, and light passenger cars and trucks, falls within acceptable ranges because the sound is of short duration.

A noise level of 65 (dBA) is the level most commonly used for noise planning purposes and represents a compromise between community impact and the need for activities such as construction.

In regard to peak construction noise, the Acoustical Analysis concludes:

“The Project would result in minor temporary sound impacts during construction, with a maximum momentary sound level at the nearest receptor below 65 dBA.”

The Acoustical Analysis identified the following source of peak noise that will be produced during **operation and maintenance** of the proposed facility:

- Mowing
 - It is anticipated that the proposed project site will be mowed 20-30 times per year.
 - Typical riding mowers will produce a sound level of 102 dBA at a distance of 1 foot.
 - At the nearest residence, 500 feet away, this sound level will have attenuated to a level of 58.34 dBA on those occasions when mowing occurs, and when the mowing is occurring at its closest point.

The Acoustical Analysis estimates ambient sound levels at the proposed Project site to be in the range of 45 to 55 dBA, which is typical for an agricultural, rural-residential, and undeveloped area. This ambient sound level is typically comprised of noise from farm machinery, natural sounds such as from wind and wildlife, and moderate traffic sounds.

In regard to peak operation and maintenance noise, the Acoustical Analysis concludes:

“Sound levels resulting from regular operation and maintenance of the Project would be below ambient sound levels at the nearest receptor. Sound levels resulting from occasional mowing along the facility’s perimeter would be at or near ambient levels.”

A copy of the Acoustical Analysis is provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.5.

*(e) The impact of the facility’s operation on **road and rail traffic** to and within the facility, including anticipated levels of **fugitive dust** created by the traffic and any anticipated **degradation of roads and lands** in the vicinity of the facility.*

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A Traffic Study for the proposed Project site was performed by Tim Choate, PE, PLS of Bacon Farmer Workman Engineering & Testing, Inc., 500 South 17st Street, Paducah, KY 42003. Mr. Choate is a Professional Engineer, licensed in the State of Kentucky.

Road Traffic, Dust, and Anticipated Road Degradation

The Traffic Study examined the road network in the area of the proposed Project site, measured current traffic levels on those roads, calculated the potential number and direction of vehicle arrivals and departures from the Project site during construction and operation, and made recommendations for the mitigation of congestion and dust.

In regard to traffic during construction of the proposed facility, the Traffic Study concludes:

“During construction of this facility, traffic is anticipated to increase with morning and evening peaks for daily workers and deliveries being made to the site periodically. All necessary safety precautions, including signing and flagmen, will be taken to best ensure collisions are prevented on the surrounding roads. Other than increased wear, damages to the existing road infrastructure are not anticipated. All affected highway segments are anticipated to continue at an acceptable level of service (LOS) during both the morning and afternoon peaks.”

In regard to traffic during operation of the proposed facility, the Traffic Study concludes:

“Operation of the facility is not expected to cause significant impact to the local traffic as the additional expected traffic contributed to the area will be similar to that of a typical single-family home. During the construction and operation of the facility, there will be no adverse effects on traffic operations in and around the project site.”

In regard to fugitive dust, the Traffic Study concludes:

“Due to the low-density housing and rural character near the site, and the large size of the site, minor fugitive dust impacts are expected. To reduce potential dust impacts, open-bodied trucks will be covered while in motion. Internal roadways will be constructed from compacted gravel. Due to an increase associated with dust from gravel roads and site use in general, water may be applied to reduce dust generation as needed.”

Rail Traffic

The proposed Project site is not located near an existing railway. The Project will not use railways for any construction or operational activities. Therefore, construction or operation of the proposed facility will have no impact on rail traffic.

A copy of the Traffic Study is provided as Exhibit 12 Attachment 12.7.

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*KRS 278.708(4): The site assessment report shall also suggest any **mitigating measures** to be implemented by the applicant **to minimize or avoid adverse effects** identified in the site assessment report.*

Route and Parking Cards; Ride Sharing

In an attempt to reduce construction-related traffic congestion at intersections and along local roads, construction employees may be issued “Route and Parking Cards” indicating the time, route, and the parking area individual workers must follow to enter and leave the sites. Employee ride sharing will also be encouraged in order to reduce the number of vehicles entering and exiting the project sites during a typical construction day.

Construction Hours

To mitigate the effects of construction noise on the area of the project, the Applicant proposes to limit construction to the hours of 7am CT to 7pm CT, Monday through Saturday. No construction will be conducted on Sundays.

Construction “Neighbor Zones”

To mitigate the effect of construction noise on residences closest to the project site, the Applicant proposes to designate certain portions of the site as “Neighbor Zones.” Within these Neighbor Zones, construction activities that create a higher level of noise will be limited to the hours of 9am CT to 5pm CT Monday through Friday. This will be particularly helpful to mitigate the impact of the noise associated with driving the posts to which the system is mounted. The restriction of this noisier construction activity within the Neighbor Zones to 9-5/Mon-Fri should help mitigate the effect of this noise, as adjacent residents are more likely to be out of the home during these hours - at work, running errands, etc. The Applicant will communicate the Neighbor Zone plan to affected neighbors in advance of construction and will collaborate with those neighbors on any refinements to this approach.

Inverter Locations

To mitigate the sound levels associated with the proposed facility’s operation, the Applicant plans to strategically position the project’s inverters at central locations within the system layout. The purpose of the inverters is to convert DC power (produced by the solar panels) to AC power (the form in which the electricity will be delivered to Big Rivers). These inverters require a cooling fan. The cooling fan produces a sound level that is similar to a residential window air-conditioner unit. This sound dissipates over distance. To provide for sufficient dissipation of this sound before it reaches adjacent residences, the Applicant plans to locate the inverter stations at a minimum of 1000 feet from the nearest residence. This will assure that, once operational, the proposed facility

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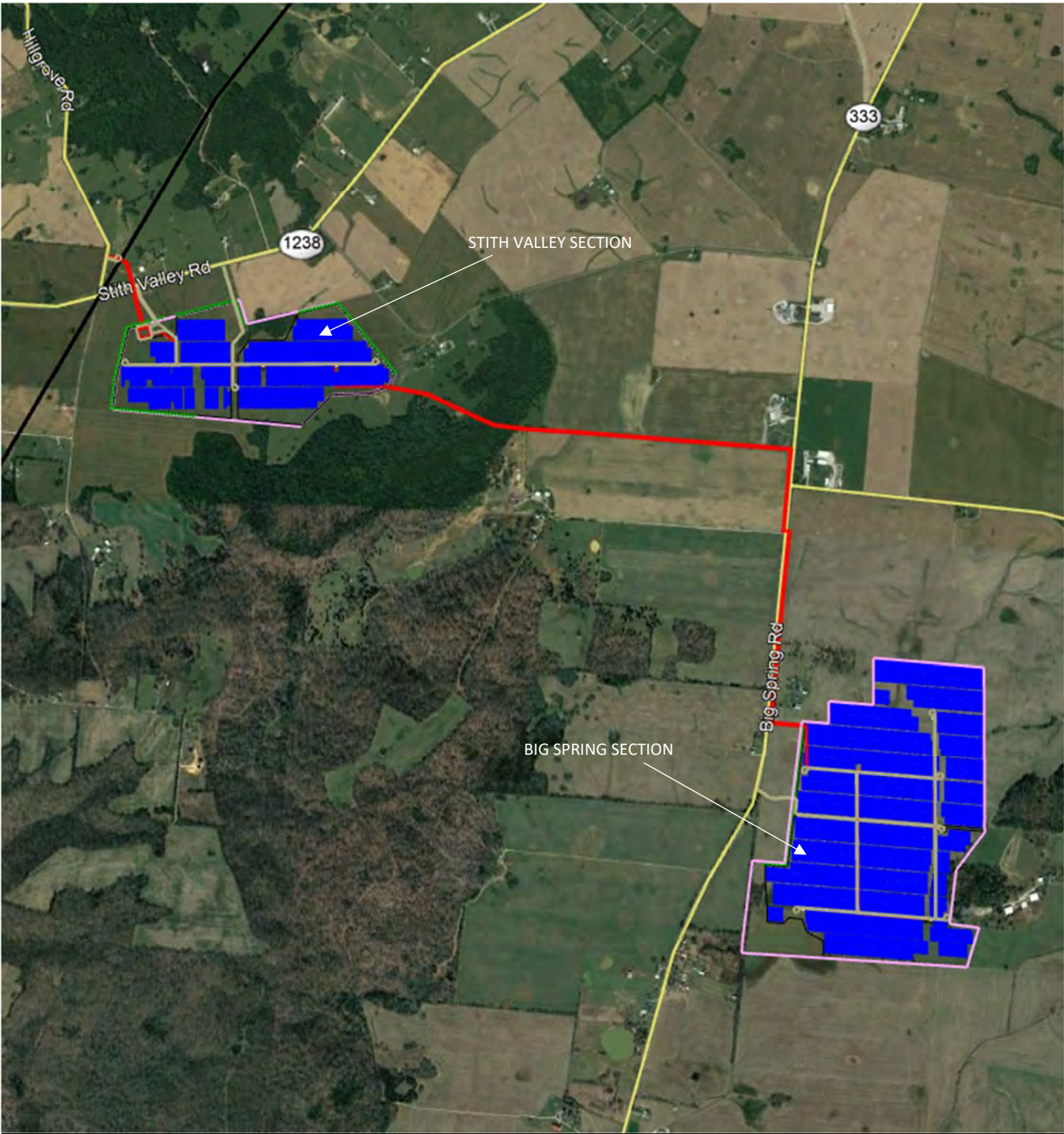
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will be quiet, with facility-generated noise levels at the periphery of the project site at or below ambient levels.

Enhanced Setbacks



To mitigate the visual impact of the proposed facility, the Applicant plans to enhance the setback distance between the solar panels and adjacent residences. The proposed setback will be a minimum of 500 feet between any solar panel and any adjacent residences.

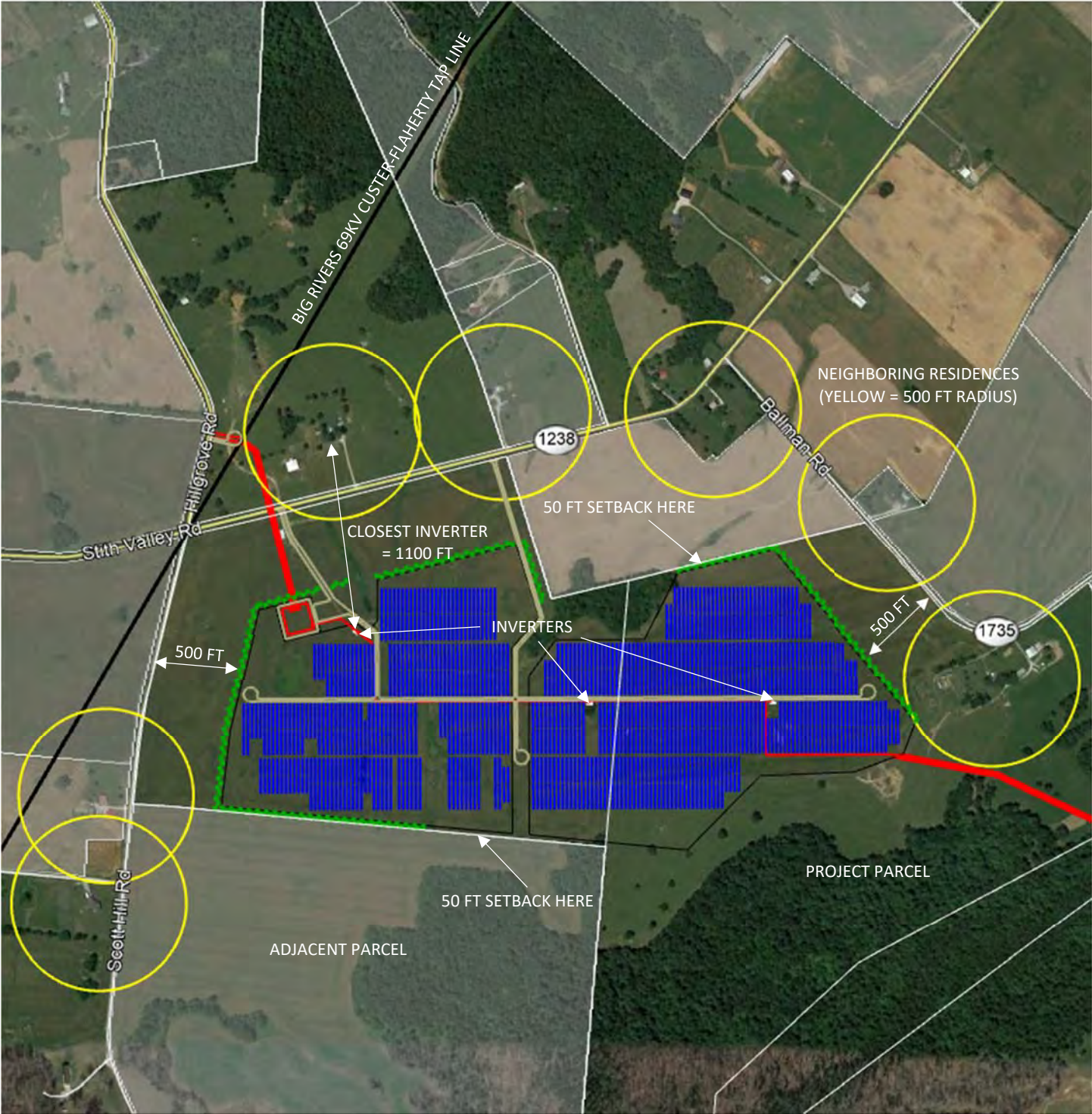
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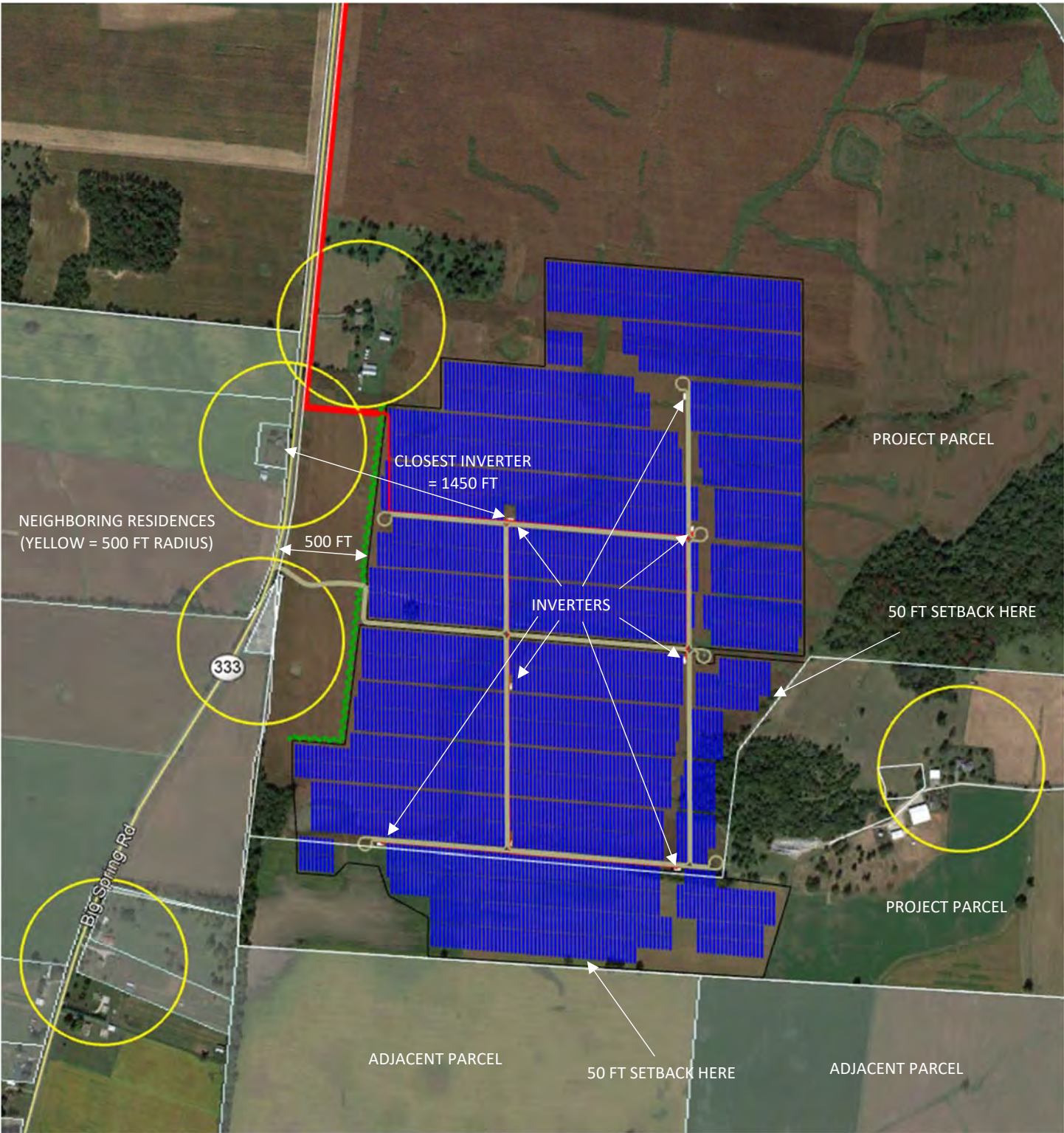
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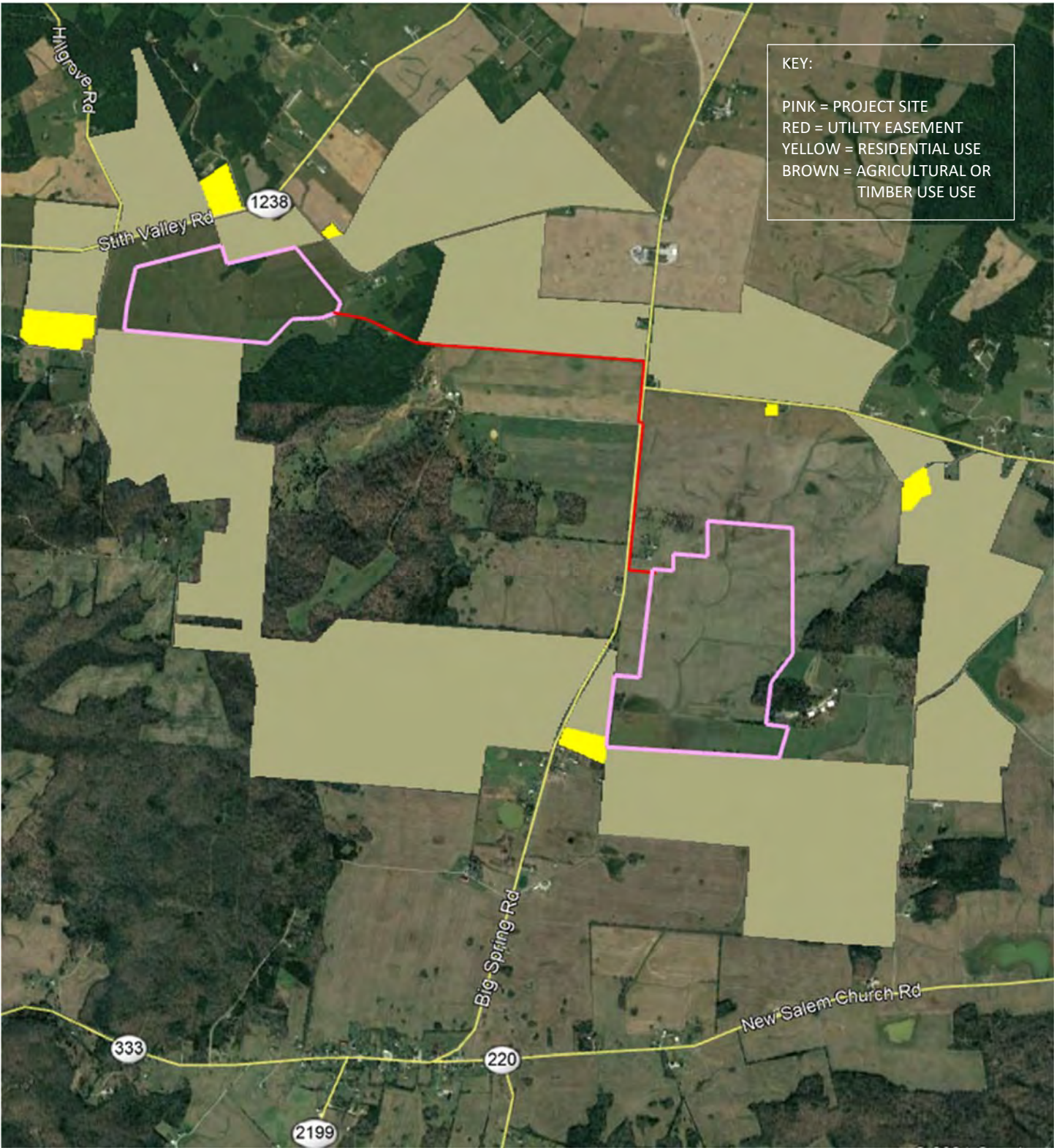
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KEY:
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MAP SHOWING THE CURRENT
 USES OF THE LAND SURROUNDING
 THE PROPOSED PROJECT SITE

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**MEADE COUNTY SOLAR
BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPOSED SITE**

STITH VALLEY SITE

MARION W. BENNETT ESTATE LEASE

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 2.8 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE RYAN & TARA HAGER PROPERTY CITED AS A 29.553 ACRE PARCEL RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 613 PAGE 110 IN THE MEADE COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE;

THENCE WITH SAID HAGER 29.553 ACRE PARCEL, NORTH 77 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 452.51 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE SOUTHERN LINE OF SAID PARCEL, AND BEING A CORNER TO SCOTT HILL FARM LTD. CO. PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 212.26 ACRE PARCEL RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 407 PAGE 158;

THENCE WITH SAID 212.26 ACRE PARCEL, SOUTH 05 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 1520.17 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE PATRICIA DITTO PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 113 PAGE 137, AND FURTHER KNOWN AS MEADE COUNTY PVA P.I.D. # 119-00-00-016;

THENCE WITH SAID DITTO PROPERTY, NORTH 84 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2209.47 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF SAID DITTO PROPERTY;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH THE MARION W. BENNETT ESTATE PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 205 PAGE 76, OF WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION IS A PART, THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) CALLS: (1) NORTH 06 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 462.42 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) THENCE NORTH 13 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 703.73 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (3) THENCE NORTH 75 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 43 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1623.21 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF SAID RYAN & TARA HAGER 29.553 ACRE PARCEL;

THENCE WITH SAID HAGER PARCEL, SOUTH 17 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 353.19 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 71.361 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS DESCRIPTION IS TO IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

SCOTT HILL FARM LTD. CO. LEASE

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 2.8 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

TO REACH THE POINT OF BEGINNING, COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE RYAN & TARA HAGER PROPERTY CITED AS A 29.553 ACRE PARCEL RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 613 PAGE 110 IN THE MEADE COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE;

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THENCE FROM SAID TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND CONTINUING WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID RYAN & TARA HAGER 29.553 ACRE PARCEL, NORTH 76 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 838.93 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID SOUTH LINE;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID SCOTT HILL FARM LTD. CO. PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 212.26 ACRE PARCEL RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 407 PAGE 158, THE FOLLOWING SIX (6) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 39 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1298.65 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) SOUTH 20 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 42 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 194.51 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (3) SOUTH 70 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 301.47 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (4) SOUTH 87 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 537.84 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (5) SOUTH 44 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 17 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 617.52 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (6) NORTH 84 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 50 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 456.32 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE PATRICIA DITTO PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 113 PAGE 137, AND FURTHER KNOWN AS MEADE COUNTY PVA P.I.D. # 119-00-00-016, AND WHICH NORTHEAST CORNER IS ALSO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE MARION W. BENNETT ESTATE PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 205 PAGE 76;

THENCE WITH SAID MARION W. BENNETT ESTATE PROPERTY, NORTH 05 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 34 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1520.17 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 44.844 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

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BIG SPRING SITE

HAMILTON TRUSTS
LEASE PARCEL 1

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1.5 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

TO REACH THE POINT OF BEGINNING, COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE DAN & ALLISON HARDAWAY 61.44 ACRE TRACT RECORDED AS PARCEL IV IN DEED BOOK 249 PAGE 99 IN THE MEADE COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE, SAID NORTHWEST CORNER BEING IN THE EAST LINE OF THE CORNELIA WADE'S 8.6 ACRE TRACT RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 222;

THENCE WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID CORNELIA WADE PROPERTY AND THE EAST LINE OF THE GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC PROPERTY CITED AS THE 17.921 ACRES TRACT 2 OF THE JOHN T. DAVIS ESTATE IN DEED BOOK 622 PAGE 38, NORTH 06 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST, 665.32 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE EAST LINE OF SAID 17.921 ACRE TRACT 2, AND BEING A COMMON CORNER TO THE RONALD JERRY & DEBRA PHILLIPS 182.3 ACRE PARCEL CITED IN DEED BOOK 492 PAGE 455, AND THE NANCY HOOVER HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE ALAN FRANCIS HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON TRUST, DATED JUNE 24, 1994, AND MARY JUNE HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE MARY JUNE HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994 PROPERTY, CITED AS THE 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 3 IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422, AND BEING THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING FOR THIS DESCRIPTION:

THENCE FROM SAID TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND WITH THE EASTERN LINE OF SAID GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC 17.921 ACRE PARCEL, NORTH 07 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 13 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 681.76 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID EASTERN LINE;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID HAMILTON TRUSTS 165.15 ACRE PARCEL 3, THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 84 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 46 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 505.05 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) NORTH 07 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 619.46 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (3) SOUTH 84 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST, CROSSING INTO ANOTHER TRACT OF SAID HAMILTON TRUSTS, CITED AS 155.4 ACRE PARCEL NO. 1 IN SAID DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422 AT A DISTANCE OF 1646.27 FEET, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 1951.94 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID 155.4 ACRE PARCEL NO. 1, THE FOLLOWING FOUR (4) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 05 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST, 60.00 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) SOUTH 84 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST, 107.15 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (3) NORTH 05 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 44 SECONDS EAST, 60.00 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (4) SOUTH 84 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST, 572.54 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE LINE OF SAID RONALD JERRY & DEBRA PHILLIPS 182.3 ACRE PARCEL CITED IN DEED BOOK 492 PAGE 455;

THENCE WITH SAID PHILLIPS PROPERTY, THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 38 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 629.75 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A

POINT; (2) SOUTH 05 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 792.00 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (3) NORTH 84 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 56 SECONDS WEST, PASSING THE EAST LINE OF SAID 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 3 AT A DISTANCE OF 716.83 FEET, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF A DISTANCE OF 2839.24 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 79.440 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS DESCRIPTION IS IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

HAMILTON TRUSTS
LEASE PARCEL 2

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1.9 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWESTERNMOST CORNER OF THE RONALD JERRY & DEBRA PHILLIPS 182.3 ACRE PARCEL CITED IN DEED BOOK 492 PAGE 455, BEING A COMMON CORNER TO THE NANCY HOOVER HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE ALAN FRANCIS HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON TRUST, DATED JUNE 24, 1994, AND MARY JUNE HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE MARY JUNE HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994 PROPERTY, CITED AS THE 155.4 ACRE PARCEL NO. 1 IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID PARCEL NO. 1, NORTH 84 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST, ENTERING INTO THE 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 3 IN SAID DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422 AT DISTANCE OF 1026.89 FEET, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 2674.78 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT;

THENCE CONTINUING THROUGH SAID PARCEL NO. 3, NORTH 07 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST, ENTERING INTO ANOTHER HAMILTON TRUSTS TRACT, CITED AS THE 442.85 ACRE PARCEL NO. 2 IN SAID DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422 AT A DISTANCE OF 1311.31 FEET, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 1610.35 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID PARCEL NO. 2;

THENCE CONTINUING THROUGH SAID PARCEL NO. 2, THE FOLLOWING FOUR (4) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 85 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 37 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 920.89 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) THENCE DUE NORTH, A DISTANCE OF 650.58 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (3) SOUTH 85 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1577.07 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (4) SOUTH 00 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, ENTERING SAID 155.4 ACRE PARCEL NO. 1 IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422 AT A DISTANCE OF 544.85 FEET, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 2272.97 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 119.111 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS DESCRIPTION IS IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

RONALD JERRY & DEBRA PHILLIPS LEASE

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1.3 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE DAN & ALLISON HARDAWAY 61.44 ACRE TRACT RECORDED AS PARCEL IV IN DEED BOOK 249 PAGE 99 IN THE MEADE COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE, SAID NORTHWEST CORNER BEING IN THE EAST LINE OF THE CORNELIA WADE'S 8.6 ACRE TRACT RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 222;

THENCE WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID CORNELIA WADE PROPERTY AND THE EAST LINE OF THE GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC PROPERTY CITED AS THE 17.921 ACRES TRACT 2 OF THE JOHN T. DAVIS ESTATE IN DEED BOOK 622 PAGE 38, NORTH 06 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST, 665.32 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE EAST LINE OF SAID 17.921 ACRE TRACT 2, AND BEING A COMMON CORNER TO THE RONALD JERRY & DEBRA PHILLIPS 182.3 ACRE PARCEL CITED IN DEED BOOK 492 PAGE 455, OF WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION IS A PART, AND THE NANCY HOOVER HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE ALAN FRANCIS HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON TRUST, DATED JUNE 24, 1994, AND MARY JUNE HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE MARY JUNE HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994 PROPERTY, CITED AS THE 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 3 IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422;

THENCE ALONG THE COMMON LINE BETWEEN SAID PHILLIPS AND SAID HAMILTON TRUSTS, SOUTH 84 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST, 2129 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE HAMILTON TRUSTS 155.4 ACRE PARCEL NO. 1 AS CITED IN SAID DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422;

THENCE WITH THE COMMON LINE BETWEEN SAID 155.4 ACRE PARCEL AND SAID PHILLIPS PARCEL, SOUTH 84 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST, 709 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A COMMON CORNER TO SAID PHILLIPS PROPERTY AND SAID HAMILTON TRUSTS 155.4 ACRE PARCEL;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID PHILLIPS PROPERTY, THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 84 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST, 380.27 FEET; (2) SOUTH 31 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, 99.15 FEET; (3) SOUTH 17 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 02 SECONDS WEST, 525.48 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF THE STRANEY PROPERTIES, LLC 210 ACRE PARCEL CITED AS TRACT 1 IN DEED BOOK 604 PAGE 342;

THENCE WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID 210 ACRE PARCEL, THE NORTH LINE OF THE DAN & ALLISON HARDAWAY 42.7393 ACRE TRACT RECORDED AS PARCEL II IN DEED BOOK 249 PAGE 99 AND THEN WITH SAID HARDAWAY 61.44 ACRE PARCEL IV, NORTH 86 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST, 3176.90 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 44.888 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS DESCRIPTION IS IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

UTILITY EASEMENTS

HAMILTON TRUSTS EASEMENT DESCRIPTION

A CERTAIN ACCESS, INGRESS & EGRESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1.9 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT INSIDE THE NANCY HOOVER HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE ALAN FRANCIS HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE DAVID ANTHONY HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994, JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE JEFFERY MARTIN HAMILTON TRUST, DATED JUNE 24, 1994, AND MARY JUNE HAMILTON, TRUSTEE OF THE MARY JUNE HAMILTON TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 1994 PROPERTY, CITED AS THE 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 3 IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422, SAID POINT BEING IN THE WEST LINE OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED HAMILTON TRUSTS 119.111 ACRES MORE OR LESS LEASE PARCEL 2;

THENCE WITH SAID LEASE PARCEL 2, SOUTH 07 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 25.02 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT;

THENCE LEAVING SAID LEASE PARCEL 2 AND RUNNING THROUGH SAID 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 3 IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422, NORTH 84 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 35 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 564.58 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF BIG SPRING ROAD, BEING 30 FEET FROM THE CENTERLINE OF SAME;

THENCE WITH SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, NORTH 06 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 29 SECONDS EAST, CROSSING INTO ANOTHER TRACT OF SAID HAMILTON TRUSTS DESCRIBED AS 442.85 ACRE PARCEL NO. 2 IN SAID DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422, AT A DISTANCE OF 97.05 FEET MORE OR LESS, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 2701.15 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID R/W LINE;

THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, AND RUNNING THROUGH SAID 442.85 ACRE PARCEL NO. 2, SOUTH 85 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST, 25.01 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT;

THENCE CONTINUING THROUGH SAID 442.85 ACRE PARCEL NO. 2, SOUTH 06 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, CROSSING AGAIN INTO SAID 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 3 IN DEED BOOK 694 PAGE 422 AT A DISTANCE OF 69.88 FEET MORE OR LESS FROM THE TERMINUS, A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 2701.15 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT;

THENCE CONTINUING THROUGH SAID 165.15 ACRE PARCEL NO. 2, SOUTH 84 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 35 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 564.58 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 1.860 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS

DESCRIPTION IS IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC EASEMENT

A CERTAIN ACCESS, INGRESS & EGRESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1.9 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF BIG SPRING ROAD, SAID POINT BEING 30 FEET WEST OF THE CENTERLINE OF SAID ROAD, AND BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC PROPERTY CITED AS A 185.14 ACRE SECOND TRACT IN DEED BOOK 622 PAGE 38;

THENCE WITH SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, SOUTH 06 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 1145.70 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE;

THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE AND RUNNING THROUGH SAID 185.14 ACRE SECOND TRACT, THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) CALLS: (1) NORTH 85 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 04 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 25.01 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) NORTH 06 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 29 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1120.82 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (3) NORTH 85 DEGREES 24 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, CROSSING INTO ANOTHER TRACT OF SAID GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC, CITED AS THE THIRD TRACT IN SAID DEED BOOK 622 PAGE 38 AT A DISTANCE OF 3259.94 FEET MORE OR LESS, **A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 3816.92 FEET MORE OR LESS** TO A POINT IN THE LINE OF THE STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 492 PAGE 36;

THENCE WITH SAID STITH VALLEY COMPANY PROPERTY, THENCE NORTH 41 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 13 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 31.09 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC THIRD TRACT, AND BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE THOMAS A. HOBBS AND CAROLYN ANNETTE HOBBS – TRUSTEES OF THE THOMAS A. HOBBS LIVING TRUST RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 677 PAGE 361;

THENCE WITH SAID HOBBS TRUST, SOUTH 85 DEGREES 24 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 3824.10 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING 2.8431 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS DESCRIPTION IS IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC EASEMENT

A CERTAIN ACCESS, INGRESS & EGRESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1.9 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A CORNER TO THE STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 492 PAGE 36, SAID CORNER BEING IN THE SOUTH LINE OF THE THOMAS A. HOBBS AND CAROLYN ANNETTE HOBBS – TRUSTEES OF THE THOMAS A. HOBBS LIVING TRUST RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 677 PAGE 361;

THENCE WITH THE COMMON LINE BETWEEN SAID STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC PROPERTY AND THE GOHL BROTHERS PROPERTIES, LLC PROPERTY CITED AS THIRD TRACT IN DEED BOOK 622 PAGE 38, SOUTH 41 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 13 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 31.16 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID COMMON LINE;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC PROPERTY THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) CALLS: (1) NORTH 85 DEGREES 24 MINUTES 47 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 476.24 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) NORTH 64 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 301.86 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF SAID STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC, SAID WEST ALSO BEING THE EAST LINE OF THE SCOTT HILL FARM LTD. CO. RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 407 PAGE 158;

THENCE WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID SCOTT HILL FARM LTD. CO. PROPERTY, NORTH 44 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 20 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 26.37 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID EAST LINE;

THENCE AGAIN RUNNING THROUGH SAID STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC, THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 64 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 25 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 288.60 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) SOUTH 85 DEGREES 24 MINUTES 44 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 490.21 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 0.447 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS DESCRIPTION IS IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

SCOTT HILL FARM LTD., CO. LLC EASEMENT

A CERTAIN ACCESS, INGRESS & EGRESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1.9 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE TOWN OF BIG SPRING IN MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN EAST LINE OF THE SCOTT HILL, FARM LTD. CO. PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 407 PAGE 158, SAID EAST LINE BEING COMMON WITH THE WEST LINE OF THE STITH VALLEY COMPANY, LLC PROPERTY RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 492 PAGE 36;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID SCOTT HILL FARM LTD. CO., LLC;

THENCE WITH SAID COMMON LINE, SOUTH 44 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 26.37 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN SAID COMMON LINE;

THENCE RUNNING THROUGH SAID SCOTT HILL FARM LTD., CO. LLC PROPERTY, THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) CALLS: (1) NORTH 64 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 703.14 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) NORTH 78 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 33 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 549.29 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE LINE OF THE 44.844 ACRE LEASE DESCRIBED HEREIN;

THENCE WITH SAID 44.844 ACRE LEASE, NORTH 70 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 48.53 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT IN THE LINE OF SAID LEASE;

THENCE AGAIN RUNNING THROUGH SAID SCOTT HILL FARM LTD. CO., LLC PROPERTY, THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) CALLS: (1) SOUTH 78 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 510.88 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT; (2) SOUTH 64 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 25 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 714.89 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OR 0.711 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

THIS DESCRIPTION WAS PREPARED BY DENNIS E. BRANSON, KY PLS 2532 FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEEDS FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT CLERK AND THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR BOTH OF THE COUNTY OF MEADE, KENTUCKY. THIS IS NOT A SURVEYED DESCRIPTION AND CANNOT BE USED FOR PROPERTY TITLE TRANSFER PURPOSES. THE SOLE PURPOSE OF THIS DESCRIPTION IS IDENTIFY THE LIMITS OF A PROPOSED LEASE OF A PORTION OF THE LESSOR'S PROPERTY AND IS SUBJECT TO AN ACTUAL SURVEY OF THE PROPOSED LEASED AREA.

EXHIBIT 12
ATTACHMENT 12.4

MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT
ORDINANCE: 2021-005

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 920.00 THE MEADE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE PASSED AND ADOPTED DECEMBER 29, 1997 WHICH BECAME EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 1998 TO ADD SECTION 4.3.7. SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, the Meade County Fiscal Court has determined it to be in the public interest to amend Ordinance No. 920.00. The Meade County Zoning Ordinance, so as to add Section 4.3.7. regulating Solar Energy Systems;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MEADE COUNTY FISCAL COURT THAT THE FOLLOWING WILL BE ADDED SECTION 4.3.7: Additions will be underlined and deletions will be identified by strikethrough.

4.3.7. Solar Energy Systems (SES) –

4.3.7.1. Permitted – Level 1 Solar Energy Systems that comply with the requirements of the Section 4.3.7. shall be allowed in all zoning districts. Level 2 and 3 SES, as set forth below, shall be a conditional use in all Agricultural or Commercial/Heavy Industrial Zones. Those seeking a permit for Level 3 SES must be granted approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission, with final approval by a majority vote of Meade County Fiscal Court.

4.3.7.2. Design Standards - A Solar Energy System (SES) is the components and subsystems required to convert solar energy into electric energy suitable for use or placement on the electrical grid, including transmission lines, transformers and substations. The area of the system includes all the land inside the perimeter of the system, which extends to any fencing, and areas required to connect to the electrical grid, including transmission lines, transformers and substations. For the purposes of these zoning regulations, solar energy systems are divided into three (3) classes.

4.3.7.2.a. Level 1 Solar Energy System - A roof mounted system on any code compliant structure or any ground mounted system on an area of up to fifty (50) percent of the footprint of the primary structure on the parcel but not more than one (1) acre and not more than twenty-five (25) feet tall or any building integrated system (i.e. shingle, hanging solar, canopy, etc.)

4.3.7.2.b. Level 2 Solar Energy System - Any ground mounted system not included in a Level 1 SES and meets the following area restrictions:

- (1) The area of the SES shall not exceed five (5) acres in size.**
- (2) An SES of any size up to five (5) acres shall require a site plan approved by the staff of the Meade County Planning and Zoning Office.**

4.3.7.2.c. Level 3 Solar Energy System - Any system that does not satisfy the parameters for a Level 1 or Level 2 SES. Each Level 3 SES shall require a site plan approved by the Meade County Planning and Zoning Commission.

4.3.7.3. Requirements - Solar Energy Systems (SES) shall comply with the following criteria:

4.3.7.3.a. The height of any ground mounted SES shall not exceed twenty-five (25) feet as measured from the highest natural grade below each solar panel (excludes utility poles, substations and antennas constructed for the project).

4.3.7.3.b. Setback requirements for Level 1 and Level 2 SES shall be in compliance with the zoning classification for the parcel.

4.3.7.3.c. Setback requirements for Level 3 SES shall be as follows:

- (1) All components of the SES shall be at least fifty (50) feet from the perimeter property lines of the project area and at least two hundred fifty (250) feet from any residential structure, nursing home, church, or school: interconnection facilities may be located within the setback lines, and
- (2) No interior property line setbacks shall be required if the project spans multiple contiguous properties.
- (3) The Planning and Zoning Commission may require more stringent setback lines, to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

4.3.7.3.d. All Level 3 SES shall be screened with a seven (7) foot tall fence and, to the extent reasonably practicable, a visual buffer that provides reasonable screening to reduce the view of the SES from residential dwelling units on adjacent lots (including those lots located across a public right of way). A vegetation screening plan to reduce the view of the SES from residential dwelling units on adjacent lots will be submitted as part of the site plan for approval of the Meade County Planning Commission. The existing natural tree growth and natural land forms along the SES perimeter may create a sufficient buffer and shall be preserved when reasonably practicable. When no alternative vegetation screening plan is approved by the Meade County Planning Commission, a double row of staggered evergreen trees will be planted 15' on center from adjacent non participating residential dwellings including the outdoor living space immediately near residential dwellings. Parcel boundaries with no proximity to residential dwellings shall not require screening. The proposed evergreen trees shall be placed on the exterior of security fencing. The use of barbed wire or sharp pointed fences shall be prohibited in or along any boundary adjoining residential properties. The Meade County Planning Commission may require additional screening and/or visual buffers on a case-by-case basis.

4.3.7.3.e. There shall be no signs permitted except those displaying emergency information, owner contact information, warning or safety instructions or signs that are required by a federal, state or local agency. Such signs shall not exceed five (5) square feet in area.

4.3.7.3.f. Excessive lighting shall be prohibited except that required by federal or state regulations.

4.3.7.3.g. The total number of acres in the unincorporated areas of the county which are permitted to allow Level 3 SES shall be limited to ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (1,200) acres. No permits shall be authorized once the total number of permitted acres have been allotted.

4.3.7.3.h. Upon application to the Planning and Zoning Commission, a Level 3 SES shall provide a soil erosion plan. A Level 3 SES shall comply with all existing federal, state, and local environmental restrictions.

4.3.7.3.i. Decommissioning of Level 3 SES shall be as follows:

(1) The developer shall post a Surety Bond or other form of Security acceptable to the County, for the abandonment of the site and in the event the Commission must remove the facility. Abandonment shall be when the SES ceases to transfer energy on a continuous basis for twelve (12) months. The surety bond or other form or security shall be one hundred (100) percent of a reasonable estimate submitted for the decommissioning of the project to be re-calculated every five (5) years during the project life. The cost of decommissioning will include a reasonable reduction for the scrap value of the components left on the property.

(2) A decommissioning plan shall be submitted at the time of application by the developer responsible for decommissioning and must include the following:

(a) Defined conditions upon which the decommissioning will be initiated. i.e. there has been no power production for twelve (12) months, the land lease has ended, or succession of use of abandoned facility, etc..

(b) Removal of all non-utility owned equipment, conduit, structures, fencing, roads, and foundations to the depth of three (3) feet.

(c) Restoration of the property to substantially similar physical condition that existed immediately prior to construction of the SES.

(d) The time frame for completion of decommissioning activities.

(e) The party currently responsible for decommissioning, and

(f) Plans for updating the decommissioning plan.

6.1.1. Building and Electrical Fees

Construction/Building Permit Fees	FEE CHARGED
Solar Energy Systems- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 1-Roof Mounted System • Level 1 or 2-Ground Mounted System (Less than 5 acres) • Level 3-Solar Farm (5 or more acres) 	\$75 \$100 \$250


6.1.2. Zoning Administration Fees

Zoning Administration Fees	FEE CHARGED
Solar Energy Systems- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 3-Solar Farm (5 or more acres)(Fee includes Application Review Only) 	\$1,000 + \$2/Acre

This Ordinance shall repeal and replace Ordinance No. 2020-02.

Given a first reading on the 13th day of April, 2021.

Approved by a majority vote of the Meade County Fiscal Court this 11th day of May, 2021.



LESLIE STITH
Meade County Judge-Executive

Attest:



Tammy Graham, Fiscal Court Clerk
Meade County, Kentucky

EXHIBIT 12
ATTACHMENT 12.5



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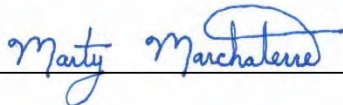
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INTRODUCTION

Meade County Solar LLC contracted Copperhead Environmental Consulting, Inc. (Copperhead) to conduct an acoustical analysis for the proposed Meade County Solar LLC Project (Project) near Big Spring in Meade County, Kentucky (Figure 1). The Project Study Area (PSA) consists of approximately 714 acres, and has reference coordinates of 37.83462° N, 86.13962° W.

The Project is a proposed solar farm that would generate electricity through the use of photovoltaic solar panels. It would include a utility interconnection substation, a storage/maintenance building, inverter boxes, transformers, and overhead and underground electrical conveyance lines. The power generated by the proposed solar facility would be connected to the existing power grid using the transmission line currently traversing the PSA.

EXISTING LAND USE AND SITE CONDITIONS

According to the National Land Cover Database (NLCD) for Meade County, the PSA currently consists of agricultural fields/cultivated crops, pasture, and forest/wooded land (Figure 2). Historically, the PSA has been primarily used for agricultural land use. Seven wetlands totaling 1.36 acres, two ponds totaling 0.15 acres, and 3 intermittent and ephemeral streams occur within the PSA.

Land uses on adjacent properties include agricultural lands, scattered wood lots, and rural residences. The terrain is generally level with slopes less than 3 percent except for wooded areas located in the middle and the east side of the site.

EXISTING ACOUSTIC CONDITIONS

Nearest Receptor Sites

Sound-sensitive receptors generally are defined as locations where people reside or where the presence of unwanted sound may adversely affect the existing land use. Typically, sound-sensitive land uses include residences, hospitals, places of worship, libraries, performance spaces, offices, and schools, as well as nature preserves, recreational areas, and parks. Receptors adjacent to the PSA are nearby residences along Big Spring Road, Scott Hill Road, Stith Valley Road and Ballman Road (Figure 3). The closest two receptors to any Project structure would be a residence on Big Spring Road, approximately 500 feet from the nearest solar panel and approximately 1,540 feet from the nearest inverter pad; and a residence on Ballman Road, approximately 570 feet from the nearest solar panel and approximately 1,280 feet from the nearest inverter pad. The transformer would be approximately 1,000 feet from the nearest residential receptor on Stith Valley Road.

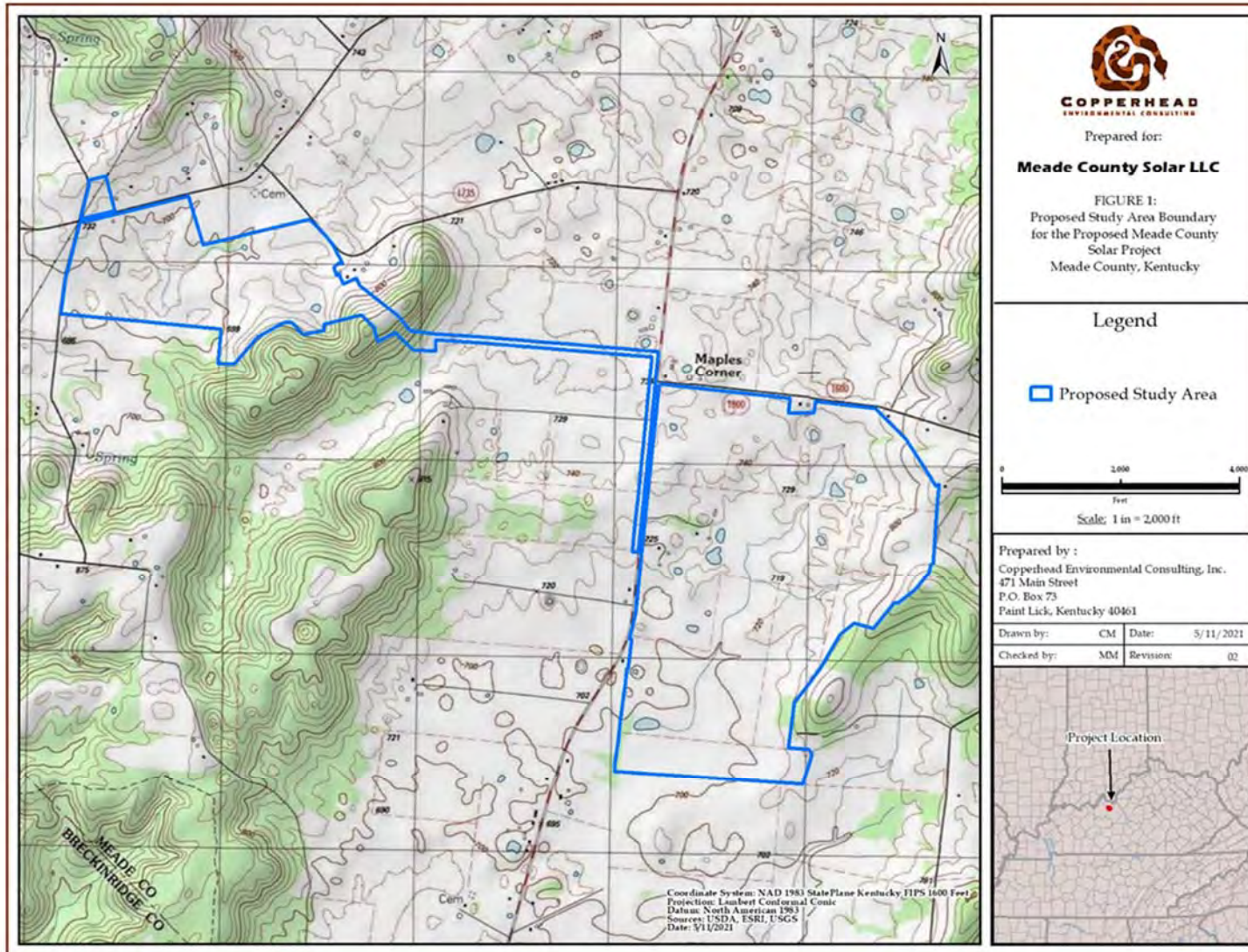


Figure 1. Project location

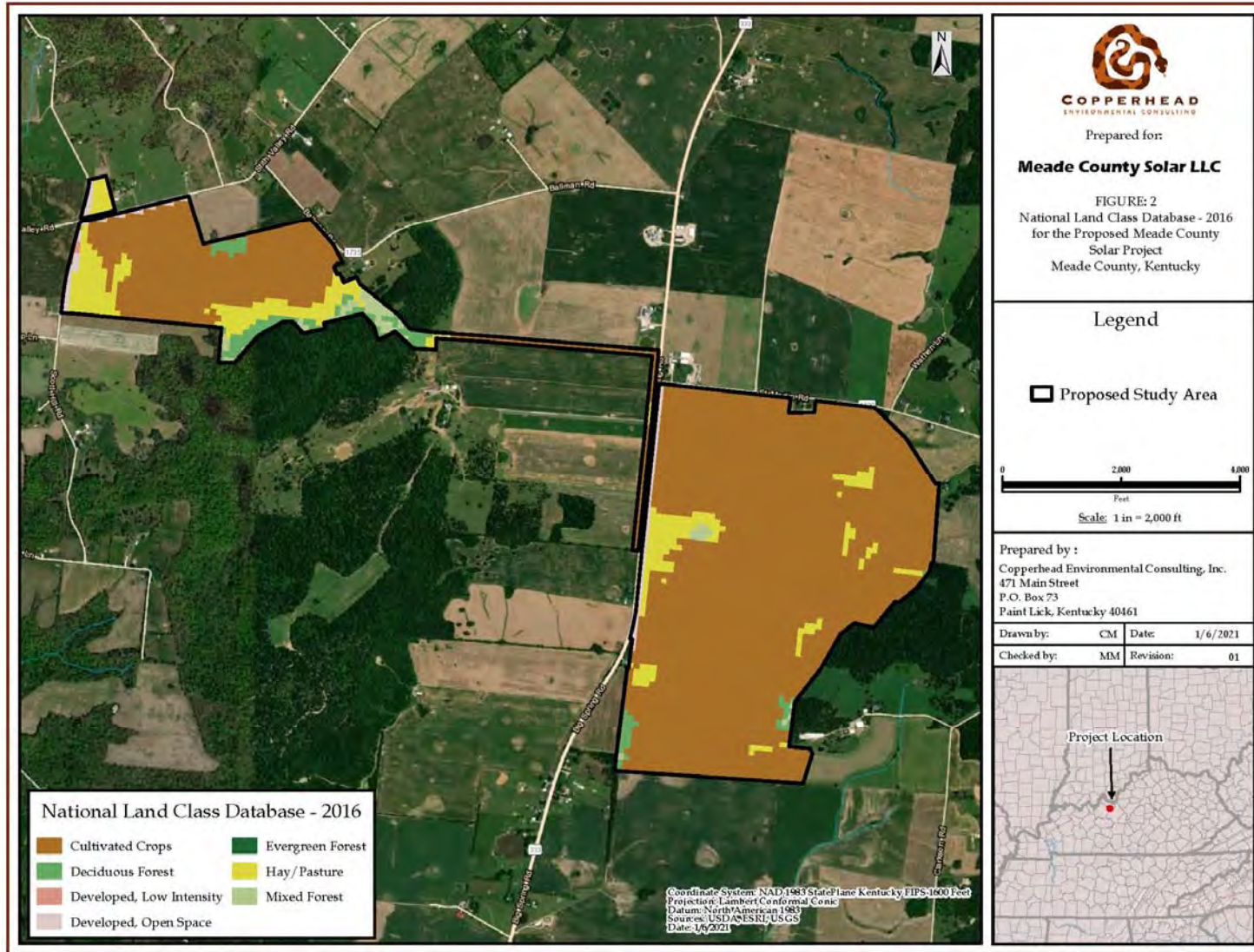


Figure 2. Land Use

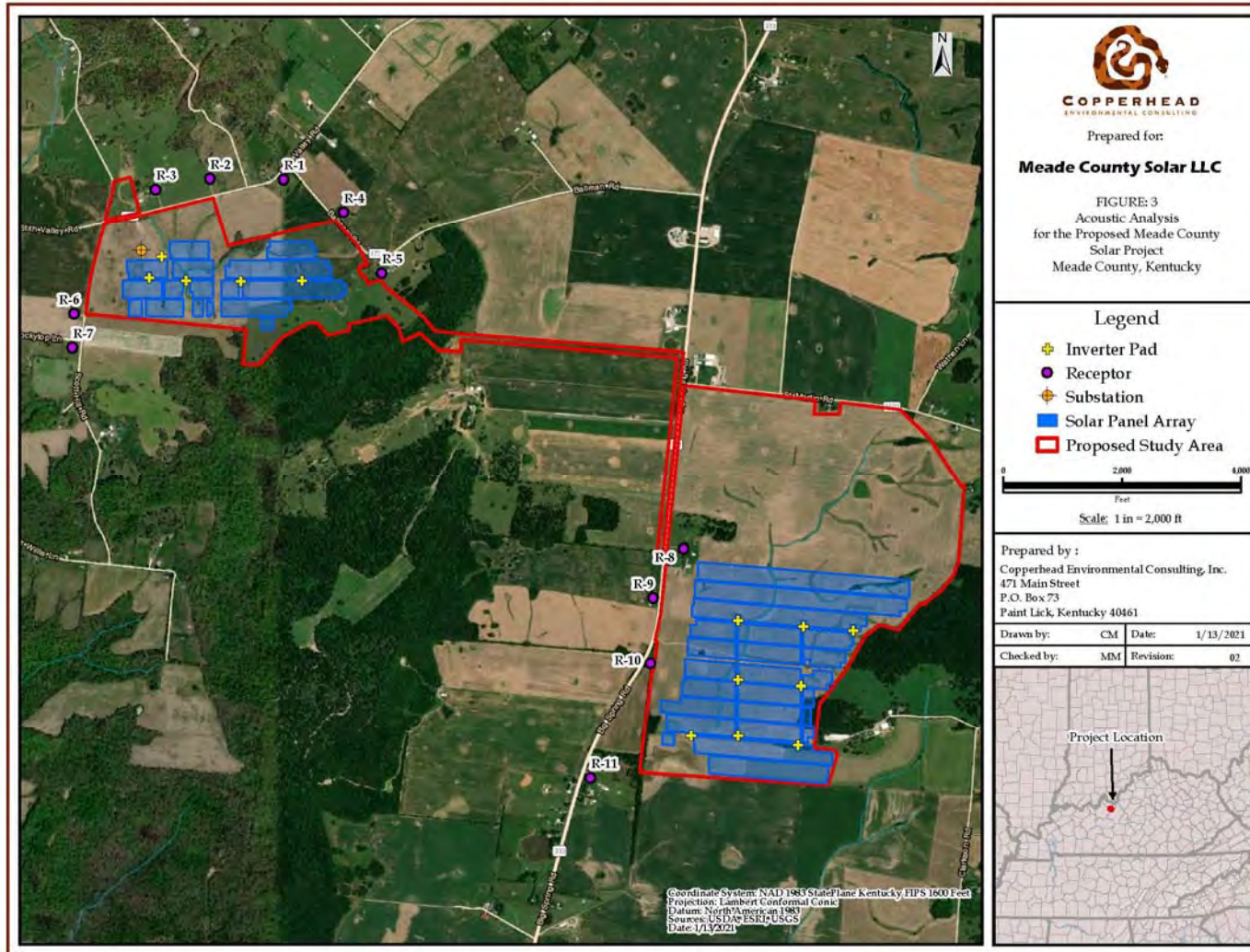


Figure 3. Sensitive Sound Receptors

Existing Sound from Surrounding Areas

Noise is generally described as unwanted sound, which can be based either on objective effects (hearing loss, damage to structures, etc.) or subjective judgments (such as community annoyance). Sound is usually represented on a logarithmic scale with a unit called the decibel (dB). Sound on the decibel scale is referred to as sound level. The threshold of human hearing is approximately 0 dB, and the threshold of discomfort or pain is around 120 dB.

Noise levels are computed over a 24-hour period and adjusted for nighttime annoyances to produce the day-night average sound level (Ldn). Ldn is the community noise metric recommended by the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and has been adopted by most federal agencies (USEPA 1974). A Ldn of 65 A-weighted decibels (dBA) is the level most commonly used for noise planning purposes and represents a compromise between community impact and the need for activities such as construction. The A-weighting network measures sound in a similar fashion to how a person perceives or hears sound, thus achieving a strong correlation with how people perceive acceptable and unacceptable sound levels.

Areas exposed to a Ldn above 65 dBA are generally not considered suitable for residential use. A Ldn of 55 dBA was identified by USEPA as a level below which there is no adverse impact (USEPA 1974). For reference, approximate sound levels (measured in dBA) of common activities/situations are provided in Table 1.

Table 1. Sound Levels of Common Activities/Situations.

Activity/Event	dBA
Lowest audible sound to person with average hearing	0
Quiet rural, nighttime	25
Crickets, distant frogs	30
Birds, distant dog bark	40
Quiet urban, nighttime	45
Large business office	60
Normal speech at 3 feet	60-70
Noisy urban area, daytime	75
Food blender at 3 feet	85
Gas lawn mower at 3 feet	100
Jet flyover at 1,000 feet	110

Source: Caltrans 2013.

Local conditions such as traffic, topography, and winds characteristic of the region can alter background sound conditions. In general, the Ldn sound levels for outdoor quiet rural nighttime range is approximately 30 - 40 dBA (EPA 1974). Sound levels attenuate (or diminish) at a rate of approximately 6 dBA per doubling of distance from an outdoor point source due to the geometric spreading of the sound waves.

Existing On-Site Sound

The PSA is within an agricultural, rural-residential, and undeveloped area of Meade County. Ambient sound at the PSA consists mainly of agricultural sounds, such as noise from farm machinery; natural sounds, such as from wind and wildlife; and moderate traffic sounds. Sound levels of these types generally range from 45 to 55 dBA (USDOT 2015).

Typical sounds produced from farming and agriculture activities in the PSA include trucks, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), tractors, and other farming equipment used for raising corn and soybeans (Table 2). The adjacent farms produce sound similar to those within the PSA.

Table 2. Typical Sound Levels from Farm Activities.

Activity/Event	dBA
Chicken coop	70
All-terrain vehicle (ATV), push mower	90-100
Tractor/combine (with cab), grain auger	92
Air compressor/shop vacuum/weed eater	95
Pig squealing/power tools	100
Riding mower	102
Tractor (no cab)	105

Source: Great Plains Center for Agricultural Health. 2016.

Existing traffic contributes to sound within the PSA. The PSA is bounded by two-lane roadways that receive local traffic typical of a rural farming community (i.e., cars, trucks, and tractor trucks with trailering equipment). Based on Kentucky Transportation Cabinet traffic data, the average annual daily traffic (AADT) along Big Spring Road (KY 333) is 1,173 vehicles; along St. Martin's Road (KY 1600) is 795 vehicles; along Ballman Road (KY 1735); and along Stith Valley Road (KY

1238) is 187 vehicles. These noises typically range from 70 to 80 dBA at approximately 50 feet and peak during normal business hours.

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION SOUND CONDITIONS

Construction would occur only during daylight hours, so the Project would not affect ambient noise levels at night. Most of the proposed equipment would not be operating on site for the entire construction period but would be phased in and out according to the progress of the Project.

Equipment and Machinery

Because the proposed site is used primarily for row cropping, the need for extensive tree removal and earthmoving associated with the Project is anticipated to be minimal. The construction of the solar facility would use equipment typical for site development (i.e., backhoes, generators, pile drivers, and flatbed trucks). The solar facility construction is estimated to last 6-9 months. The construction equipment would be spread out over the entire site, with some equipment operating along the perimeter of the site while the rest of the equipment may be located from several hundred to several thousand feet from the perimeter.

The U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) publishes noise levels for typical construction equipment as shown in the table below.

Table 3. Sound Levels for Common Construction Equipment.

Equipment Type	Typical Sound Level (dBA) at 50 Feet
Backhoe	80
Chainsaw	85-115
Crane (Mobile)	85
Dozer	85
Dump Truck	84
Generator	81
Grader	85
Front End Loader	80-85
Pickup Truck	55
Pile Driver	90-95

Equipment Type	Typical Sound Level (dBA) at 50 Feet
Pneumatic Tool	85
Pump	76
Roller	74
Scraper	89
Shovel	82
Spike Driver	77
Tractor	84
Truck (Flatbed)	80-90
Welder/Torch	73

Source: FHWA Construction Noise Handbook, August 2006. Table based on US EPA Report and measured data.

The most common method of installing the support posts for the solar panels is to drive them into the ground. This pile driving procedure produces a repetitive, metallic impact sound. Individual piles take only a few minutes to be driven into the ground. Pile driving activity is short-lived and will take approximately 30 workdays to complete. Depending on the weather, the duration of pile driving activities would be 6-8 weeks. This would occur at the earlier stages of construction, typically in the second or third month.

Standard construction pile drivers are estimated to produce between 90 to 95 dBA (calculated at a distance of 50 feet) at close range (USDOT 2015). The specialty pile drivers used for solar panel installation produce less noise, and the piles supporting solar panels will be driven primarily into soil. Based on a common type of pile driver used to install solar panel support posts (e.g., Vermeer Pile Driver - PD 10), the anticipated sound level is 84 dBA at 50 feet (Vermeer 2012). The nearest residence is approximately 500 feet from the nearest solar panel array. At this distance, temporary and intermittent construction sound levels would be approximately 64 dBA when a pile driver is used to install the piles/posts for the nearest solar panel array tracking system. This sound level is temporary and will decrease within hours as sections of the array are completed and the pile driver moves further away.

Only limited concrete pouring is anticipated for the Project. Base slabs for the inverters and other electrical equipment will be precast and dropped in place. The transformer base at the substation may be poured concrete. During this time period, a concrete pump truck will be needed. A concrete pump truck typically generates a sound of approximately 82 dBA at 50 feet. At the

nearest receptor to the substation (approximately 1,000 feet), the sound level is estimated to be 55.98 dBA intermittently for a day or two.

Underground electrical lines also will be constructed on site. The trenches to hold the cabling will be approximately 3- to 4-feet deep and approximately 2-feet wide. A ditch trencher (ditch witch) will be used to dig trenches for laying the electrical cables. The anticipated sound level at 50 feet is 74 dBA (Ditch Witch 2021). The nearest residence is approximately 500 feet from the nearest solar array. At this distance, temporary and intermittent sound levels for a ditch trencher would be approximately 54 dBA. This sound level is temporary and will decrease within hours as sections of the trench are completed and the trencher moves further away from the residence.

Assembly of Solar Panel Array and Construction of Facilities

Solar panels will be manufactured off site and shipped to the site ready for installation. Assembly of the solar panel array tracking system, the installation of solar panels, inverters and other electrical equipment associated with the solar facility and substation would likely employ typical manual hand tools and power tools. These assembly operations would occur several hundred feet to thousands of feet inside the property boundary, and would occur on weekdays. Anticipated sound generated by power equipment would be short in duration.

Roadway Sound During Construction

The construction of the proposed solar facility is expected to take 6-9 months for completion. During construction, a temporary increase in traffic volume associated with travel of construction workers (up to 150 workers), delivery of construction equipment and material, delivery of solar panel components and equipment is anticipated. Worker commutes with passenger vehicles and trucks would occur daily with two traffic peaks (i.e., morning peak and afternoon peak), whereas deliveries of equipment would occur on trailers, flatbeds, or other large vehicles periodically throughout the construction process at various times of day. Based upon the sound levels published by FHWA, the sound contributed by construction vehicles such as flatbed trucks, light passenger cars and trucks falls within acceptable ranges because the sound is of short duration.

PROPOSED OPERATIONAL SOUND CONDITIONS

Sound power levels for the Project equipment were obtained from vendor/manufacture data and based on preliminary design.

Solar Panel Array

The solar panel array associated with the Project includes single-axis tracking panels distributed evenly across the site. Tracking systems involve the panels being driven by small, 24-volt brushless DC motors to track the arc of the sun to maximize each panel's potential for solar absorption. Panels would turn no more than five degrees every 15 minutes and would operate

no more than one minute out of every 15-minute period. These tracking motors are a potential source of mechanical sound and are included in this assessment. The tracking motor generates approximately as much sound as a refrigerator.

The sound typically produced by panel tracking motors (NexTracker or equivalent) is approximately 78 dBA at one foot. At 150 feet, it is estimated to be approximately 34.48 dBA. At the closest residential receptor, the predicted sound level would be approximately 24.02 dBA.

Inverters

The solar facility would employ multiple inverter pads across the project site. Each inverter pad would contain up to six inverters. The inverter pads are located not less than 1,120 feet from any residence. The inverters are expected to be TMEIC Solar Ware Ninja inverters. According to the manufacturer's specifications, the sound emission produced by an inverter is less than 80 dBA at a distance of approximately 3.28 feet. At each inverter pad, the sound emission for multiple inverters is a combined 87.78 dBA using a conservative sound emission estimate of 80 dBA per inverter. The sound produced by an inverter is described as a hum and has roughly the same output as a household air-conditioning unit. At the nearest residential receptor, the predicted sound level from an inverter pad would be approximately 38.1 dBA.

Transformer

The main transformer at the substation is anticipated to be a 69kV/34.5kV 40/53/66 MVA transformer. Per National Electronic Manufacturers Association (NEMA) ST-20 standards, it is estimated that the transformer at a substation would generate sound levels of approximately 50 dBA at 3.28 feet (Schneider Electric 2020). The sound from transformer is characterized as a discrete low frequency hum. The sound from transformers is produced by alternating current flux in the core that causes it to vibrate. Sound from the transformer operating at full power would be estimated to be less than 1 dBA at the closest residential receptor (approximately 1,000 feet away).

SITE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Vehicular Traffic

Project operations are expected to require 2 to 3 workers on site. These workers would drive in and out, Monday through Friday during business hours. In addition, work may be conducted at night up to 50 days a year. While workers are not anticipated onsite on most weekends, it remains a possibility in the event of a component outage that would require timely repair to limit production impact. Employees are anticipated to use mid- or full-sized trucks and would contribute less to traffic noise than a typical single family home.

Maintenance Activities

Typical maintenance activities would include minor repair and maintenance on the solar panels, tracking systems, electrical wiring, or maintenance/inspections of the inverters/transformer. Grounds maintenance would be performed through an integrated land management approach, to include biological and mechanical control of vegetation, with herbicide applications as appropriate to control regulated noxious weeds per local, state, and federal regulations. It is anticipated that trimming and mowing would likely be performed approximately 20-30 times per year depending on growth rate, to maintain an approximate height of 12 inches and avoid shading the panels. Mowing would introduce temporary sound levels of up to 58.34 dBA at the nearest residential receptor when mowing is occurring at its closest point.

In addition to the 2-3 full-time workers, the proposed solar facility would be monitored remotely to identify any security or operational issues. If a problem is discovered during non-working hours, a repair crew or law enforcement personnel would be contacted if an immediate response was warranted.

CONCLUSION

Meade County Solar LLC is not aware of any solar-specific United States Standards for sound mitigation during project construction or operation. Common practice is to treat solar projects like any other sources of sound, applying existing laws that govern noise pollution from all sources in the applicable jurisdiction (MAREC 2021).

Direct and indirect sound impacts associated with implementation of the Project would primarily occur during construction. Construction equipment, such as delivery trucks, backhoes, pile drivers, chain saws, bush hogs, or other large mowers for clearing, produce maximum sound levels at 50 feet of approximately 84 to 85 dBA. This type of equipment may be used for approximately 6-9 months in the PSA primarily during daylight hours, between sunrise and sunset. Most of the proposed equipment would not be operating on site for the entire construction period but would be phased in and out according to the progress of the Project.

The activities likely to produce the greatest sound levels for an extended time period would be pile driving during the construction of the solar panel arrays. Standard solar pile drivers are estimated to produce 84 dBA at a distance of 50 feet (Vermeer 20121). The posts supporting solar panels are anticipated to be driven into silty loam and silty clay soils; based on current knowledge, rock drilling is not anticipated. Pile driving for the closest solar panel array may temporarily generate sound levels of 64 dBA at the nearest residential receptor. Construction sounds at a solar project (which are comparable to other common construction activities that require pile driving) are rarely limited in an absolute way due to their temporary and intermittent nature (MAREC 2021).

Sound would be generated on the PSA during construction; however, due to the distance to the nearest receptors, construction would not contribute to a significant sound increase when compared to sound currently occurring on or near the site (i.e., the operation of farming equipment for agricultural activities and crop harvesting as well as moderate traffic on the nearby roads).

Following completion of construction activities, the ambient sound environment would be expected to return to existing levels or below, by eliminating the seasonal use of agricultural equipment. The moving parts of the solar panel arrays would be electric-powered and produce minimal sound. The inverters would produce sound levels of approximately 38 dBA at 1,000 feet, and the Project substation transformer would emit sound levels less than 1 dBA at 1,000 feet. As no sound receptors are within 1,000 feet of proposed inverter locations or within 1,000 feet of the Project substation, these effects from the Project are anticipated to be minimal to negligible. No sound is produced at night when no power is being produced. A study of solar power facility acoustics in Massachusetts found that at 150 feet from an inverter pad, sound levels approached background levels (Guldberg 2012).

The periodic mowing of the Project site to manage the height of vegetation surrounding the solar panels would produce sound levels comparable to those of agricultural operations in the PSA. Consequently, the Project would have minimal effects on sound levels as a result of normal continuous operation.

Overall, the Project would result in minor temporary sound impacts during construction, with a maximum momentary sound level at the nearest receptor below 65 dBA. Sound levels resulting from regular operation and maintenance of the Project would be below ambient sound levels at the nearest receptor. Sound levels resulting from occasional mowing along the facility's perimeter would be at or near ambient levels.

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Appendix A

Equipment Specifications

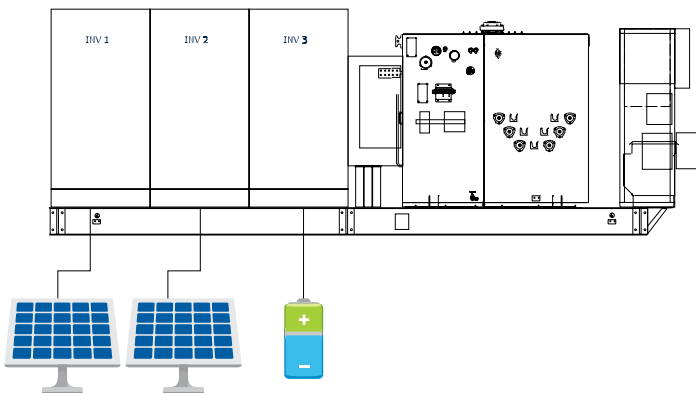
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Multiple Configurations for Maximum Flexibility

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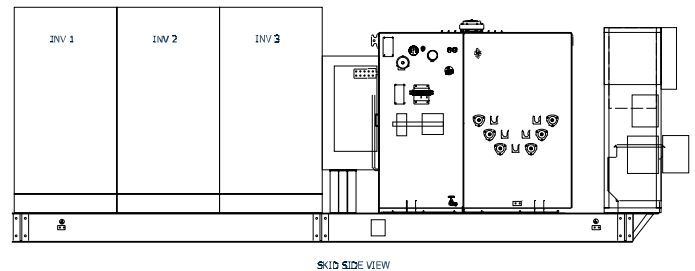
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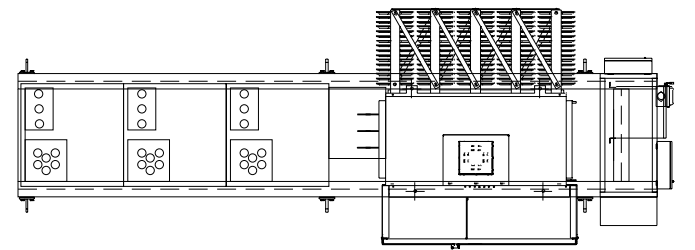
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 - Individual MPPT for greater energy yield
 - Latest generation of Smart Inverter controls platform
 - Multiple output options with various MPPT ranges
- DC Zone monitoring is standard
- UL or IEC certified global design
- PV or Energy Storage (bi-directional)
- Outdoor rated enclosure



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PLAN VIEW PRELIMINARY CONCEPT

TMEIC is Bankable

- Stable, with multi billion \$USD revenue
- Diversified, with decades of power electronics experience in a variety of heavy industries, including metals, oil & gas, mining, and container cranes industries
- Manufacturing in the US and several other locations

TMEIC is Reliable

- Over 20GW of PV and ESS inverters globally
- Own exclusive use of Mitsubishi Electric's 3 level NPS technology
- Industry leading fleet availability

TMEIC is Support

- Award winning service
- 24/7 US based hot line
- Over 30 years PV inverter manufacturing and R&D experience
- Comprehensive customer training programs
- Authorized Service Provider program available

		PV-PCS				ESS-PCS		
Type		PVU-L0800GR	PVU-L0840GR	PVU-L0880GR	PVU-L0920GR	BSU-L0640GR	BSU-L0800GR	BSU-L0840GR
Output side (AC)	Rated Power@25°C	800kW	840kW	880kW	920kW	640kW	800kW	840kW
	Rated Power@50°C	730kW	765kW	800kW	840kW	570kW	730kW	765kW
	Rated Voltage	600V +10%, -12%	630V +10%, -12%	660V +10%, -12%	690V +10%, -12%	480VAC	600VAC	630VAC
	Rated Frequency	50Hz / 60Hz (+0.5Hz, -0.7Hz)						
	Rated Power Factor	>0.99						
	Reactive Capability	±421 kVAR	±442 kVAR	±464 kVAR	±485 kVAR	-512to+640kVAR	-640to+800kVAR	-672to+840kVAR
	Rated Current	702 Arms @50 °C						
	Maxium Current	770 Arms @25 °C						
	Maximum Efficiency	98.9% *Tentative						
CEC Efficiency	98.5% *Tentative							
Input side (DC)	Maximum Voltage	1500 Vdc						
	MPPT Operation Range	875-1300VDC	915-1300VDC	960-1300VDC	1005-1300VDC	710-1300VDC	875-1300VDC	915-1300VDC
Environ. Conditions	Ingress Protection Ratings	IP54 / NEMA3R						
	Installation	Outdoor						
	Ambient Temperature Range	-25° to 50°C						
	Maximum Altitude	>2000 m power derating (Max. 4000m)						
Protective Functions	Input (DC) Side	DC Protection: Fuses Ground Fault, DC Reverse Current, Over Voltage, Over Current						
	Grid (AC) Side	AC Protection: MCCB and Fuse, Anti-islanding, Over/Under Voltage, Over/Under Frequency, Over Current						
	Grid Assistance	Reactive/Active Power Control, Power Factor Control, Fault Ride Through (optional)						
Harmonic Distortion of AC Current	≤ 3% THD (at rated power)				≤ 5% THD (at rated power)			
Communication	Modbus/TCP							
Fault Analysis	Fault Event Log, Waveform Acquisition via memory card							
Compliance	UL1741, UL1745A / IEEE1547 / NEC2017 / IEC62109-1,2 / IEC61000-6-2,4 / IEC61727, IEC62116 / IEC61400, BDEW / IEC61683 / IEC60068							
Cooling Method	Forced Air Cooling							
Number of Inputs	Standard 6 inputs for PV (maximum 8 per inverter)				1 per Inverter			
Standard Control Power Supply	Control Power Supply from Inverter output and Capacitor backup circuit (3 sec. compensation)							
Weight	<1000kgs *Tentative							
Dimensions (H x W x D)	1100 X 1100 X 1900 mm (L x W x H)							
Floor Space	1875.5 sq. in. (1.21 m ²)							
Color	Cabinet: Sand White #Dic583							

Note: Standard configuration not limited configuration. Contact TMEIC for detailed information.

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Sound Level Report – Ninja With Production Vent Hoods

Inverter Model: PVU-0840GR
Inverters Tested: PVU-0840GR
Project: Sound Level Report

Location: TMEIC UL Lab - Roanoke
2060 Cook Drive, Salem, VA 24153

Dates of tests: January 27, 2020
Report By: Bryan Hardman
Last revision: 28 JAN 2020

Tested By: Bryan Hardman, Bryan Young

Overview:

The Sound Level of the Model PVU-0840GR with production vent hoods is to be verified.

Testing conducted according to methods detailed in ISO 3744 – 2010.

Results:

The installation of the vent hoods reduced the sound level to below 80dB @ 1 meter.



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Unit Tested (Equipment Under Test, or EUT):

Fig. 1:





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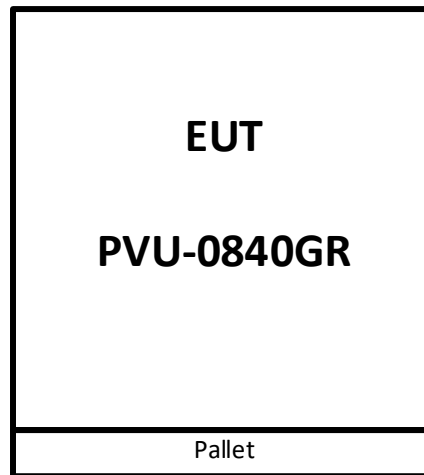
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Set-Up

In order to reduce ambient sounds as much as practical, the EUT was set-up in a warehouse. The dimensions of the surroundings:

- Warehouse floor to ceiling: 8.24 meters
- EUT Left side to closest wall: 8.0 meters
- EUT Front side to closest object (Guardian) : 3.34 meters
- EUT Right side to closest object (bags of limestone): 4.89 meters
- EUT Rear side to closest object (Inverter in storage): 3.75 meters

- EUT dimensions:
 - 1.1 meter wide
 - 1.2 meter deep.
- EUT on a pallet:
 - 0.14 meter high



The EUT was situated in the warehouse as shown in Fig. 2 below.

- Each of the 8 positions was located 1 meter from the EUT surface.
- Sound meter situated on a tripod and set 1.14 meter from the floor in order to adjust the location to 1 meter above the bottom of the EUT.

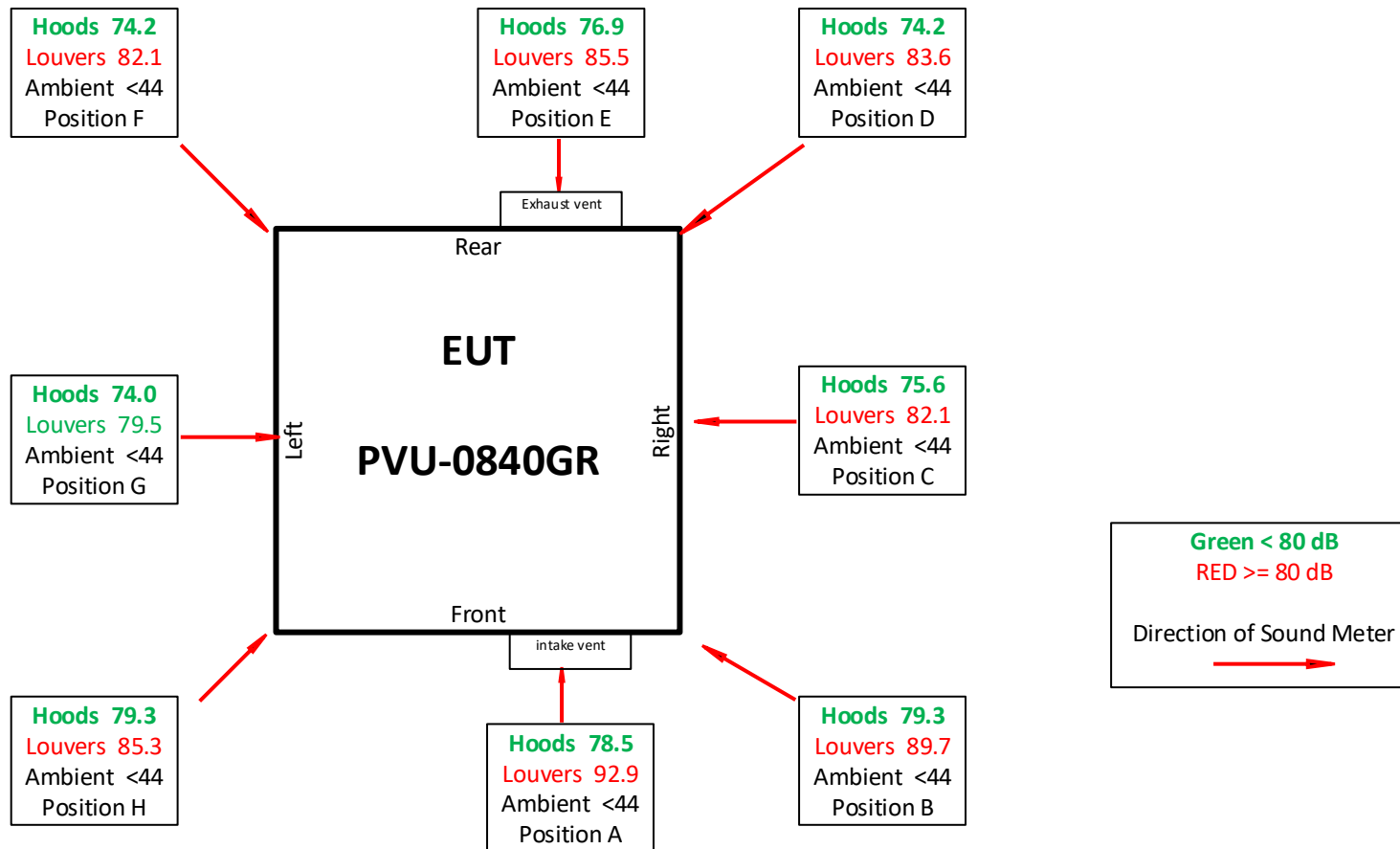


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Set-Up

Fig. 2:





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Set-up Photos:

Front of EUT in place





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Rear of EUT in place





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Front with Louvers



Rear with Louvers





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Front with vent hood



Rear with vent hood





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Sound Meter calibration



DC power supply for fans



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Test Method

Sound Data-Logger settings:

The Sound Meter also performs data logging in csv format. The settings for data logging are:

A-weighted measurement type.

Sampling rate = 2 seconds.

Averaging set to Slow.

Procedure

Immediately after datalogging, the Sound Level Meter reading is verified with a Calibrator (94dB @ 1000 Hz).

Sound Level data logged in this method:

- Log data at Location A for 2 minutes.
- Pause data logging.
- Move Sound Meter to Location B.
- Log data for 2 minutes.
- Continue in this manner for all 8 Locations.

Operating Mode:

- EUT fans running
 - data was logged from each location
 - Ambient measurements were >15dB below operating measurements and are not material to the measurements according to ISO 3744 – 2010.

*Data collected with an Extech Sound Level Meter, Model SDL600.
Calibrator is Extech Model ND9.



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Data Summary:

Two-minute data collection averaged into a single value.

Location	with Louvers	With Vent Ducts on Input and Output
A	92.9	78.5
B	89.7	79.3
C	82.1	75.6
D	83.6	74.2
E	85.5	76.9
F	82.1	74.2
G	79.5	74.0
H	85.3	79.3
Average	85.1	76.5

Data:

Raw data files are on file but not provided in this Report.



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Sound Level Report – Ninja Effectiveness of Hoods

Inverter Model: PVU-0840GR
Inverters Tested: PVU-0840GR; 4 per skid, 5 skids
Project: Sound Level Report

Location: In-Situ

Dates of tests: August 25, and September 1, 2020
Report By: Bryan Hardman
Last revision: 11 September 2020

Tested By: Bryan Hardman

Overview:

The effectiveness of the sound reducing hoods for the Ninja Inverter was to be verified by In Situ testing.

The Sound Level of the Model PVU-0840GR inverters, configured in 4 units per skid was to be measured first with factory louvers installed, then measured again with retro-fitted factory Sound reducing hoods installed.

Testing was conducted according to the methods detailed in ISO 3744 – 2010, only modified to accommodate In-Situ testing at 1 meter.

Results:

The installation of the vent hoods reduced the sound level as detailed in this Report.



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Summary of Findings

Location	Before (with Louvers)	After (with Hoods)
Skid 1	93.2	83.0
Skid 2	95.0	83.3
Skid 3	93.4	83.6
Skid 4	92.5	84.6
Skid 5	92.7	84.6
Residence	49.8	47.1

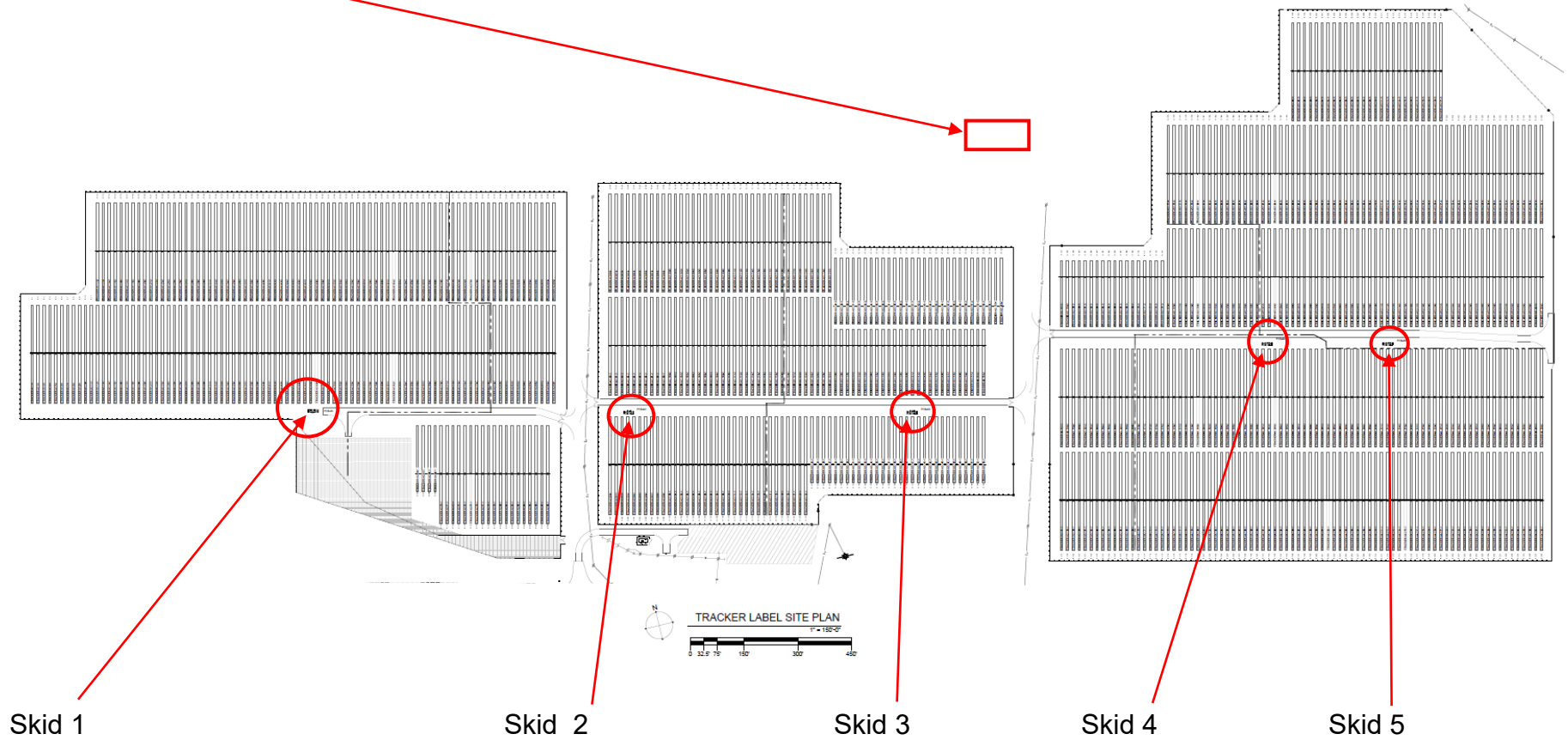


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General Site Layout

Residence House – relative location to the Plant





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Skid configuration (typical of all 5) with Factory installed Louvers

Fig. 1:





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Skid configuration (typical of all 5) with Sound Reducing Hoods installed (retro-fitted)

Fig. 2:





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Set-Up

All measurements were made In-Situ. The Sound Meter was positioned 1 meter high and 1 meter from the Intake or Exhaust of each unit, or the end of skid or Transformer.

Fig. 3





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Data:

SKID 1												SKID Average Sound Level	
LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS
93.4	81.8	91.8	81.7	82.6	75.8	90.0	81.5	88.9	80.7	93.2			83.0
meter position 11		meter position 10		meter position 9		meter position 8		meter position 7					
Inverter 1		Inverter 2		Transformer		Inverter 3		Inverter 4		Aux Rack			
meter position 12													
LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS
76.2	74.8									81.4	75.6		
meter position 1		meter position 2		meter position 3		meter position 4		meter position 5					
LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS
97.1	85.5	97.0	86.6	85.1	79.7	95.7	86.3	97.0	85.7				
FRONT of Inverters													



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Data:

SKID 2										SKID Average Sound Level	
LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS	LOUVERS	HOODS
89.7	82.3	91.8	82.1	85.3	76.0	91.4	82.7	94.0	81.9	95.0	83.3
meter position 3		meter position 4		meter position 5		meter position 6		meter position 7			
Inverter 1		Inverter 2		Transformer		Inverter 3		Inverter 4		Aux Rack	
meter position 2		meter position 12		meter position 11		meter position 10		meter position 9			
79.9	74.7	97.9	86.7	87.3	80.3	98.9	85.9	99.5	86.0	82.2	78.6
meter position 1		meter position 12		meter position 11		meter position 10		meter position 9			
98.6	85.6	97.9	86.7	87.3	80.3	98.9	85.9	99.5	86.0		
FRONT of Inverters											



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Data:

SKID 3											SKID Average Sound Level												
LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS	HOODS										
89.0		81.7		90.9		82.5		85.0		75.5		90.3		82.7		89.2		84.1		93.4	83.6		
meter position 4		meter position 5		meter position 6		meter position 7		meter position 8															
Inverter 1		Inverter 2		Transformer		Inverter 3		Inverter 4		Aux Rack		meter position 9											
meter position 3		meter position 1		meter position 12		meter position 11		meter position 10				LOUVERS		HOODS									
78.6		74.9		96.8		86.7		88.5				80.4		96.2		86.4		98.5		86.7		82.2	77.9
meter position 2		meter position 1		meter position 12		meter position 11		meter position 10															
96.9		85.8		96.8		86.7		88.5		80.4		96.2		86.4		98.5		86.7					
FRONT of Inverters																							



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Data:

SKID 4										SKID Average Sound Level								
meter position 2	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 3	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 4	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 5	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 6	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 7	meter position 8	LOUVERS	HOODS
	79.2	74.7	90.2	82.1	89.3	82.9	83.9	76.5	89.6	83.3	88.9	83.8					92.5	84.6
			Inverter 1		Inverter 2		Transformer		Inverter 3		Inverter 4		Aux Rack					
			meter position 1	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 12	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 11	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 10	LOUVERS	HOODS	meter position 9			
			94.5	85.9	97.0	87.7	88.5	81.0	96.8	88.7	96.2	87.9						
FRONT of Inverters																		



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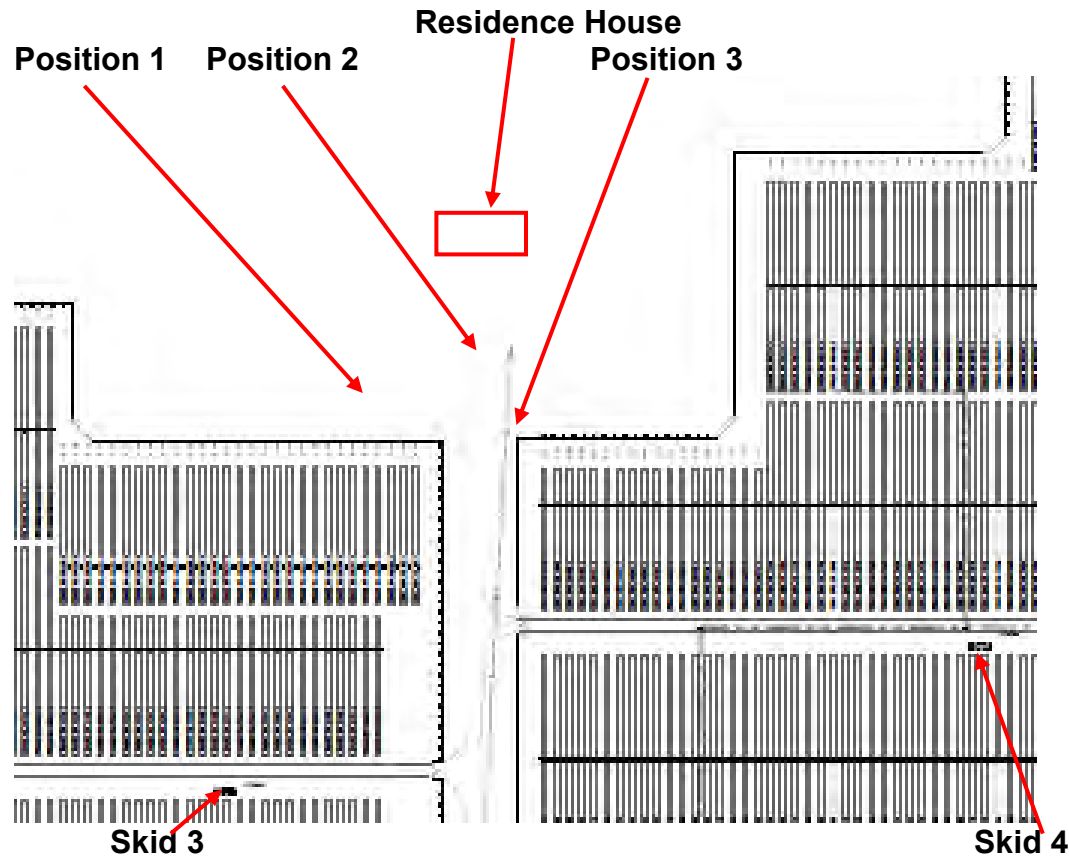
Data:

SKID 5												SKID Average Sound Level			
LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS	HOODS		
88.2		83.2		89.3		82.7		88.6		84.0		92.7	84.6		
meter position 3		meter position 4		meter position 5		meter position 6		meter position 7							
Inverter 1		Inverter 2		Transformer		Inverter 3		Inverter 4		Aux Rack					
meter position 2												meter position 8			
LOUVERS		HOODS										LOUVERS		HOODS	
79.2		75.1										83.7		79.8	
meter position 1		meter position 12		meter position 11		meter position 10		meter position 9							
LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS		HOODS		LOUVERS		HOODS	
96.2		86.4		95.4		87.6		89.0		80.2		97.5		88.3	
96.7		87.8													
FRONT of Inverters															



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General position of testing close to Residence House:



- Position 1 At property flag facing SW, toward skid 3
- Position 2 In road to house – facing SW, toward skid 3
- Position 3 At fence facing SE, toward skid 4



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Data – Residence House:

Overall sound level at Residence House

With Louvers	With Hoods
49.8 dB	47.1 dB

Sound level at each location by Residence House

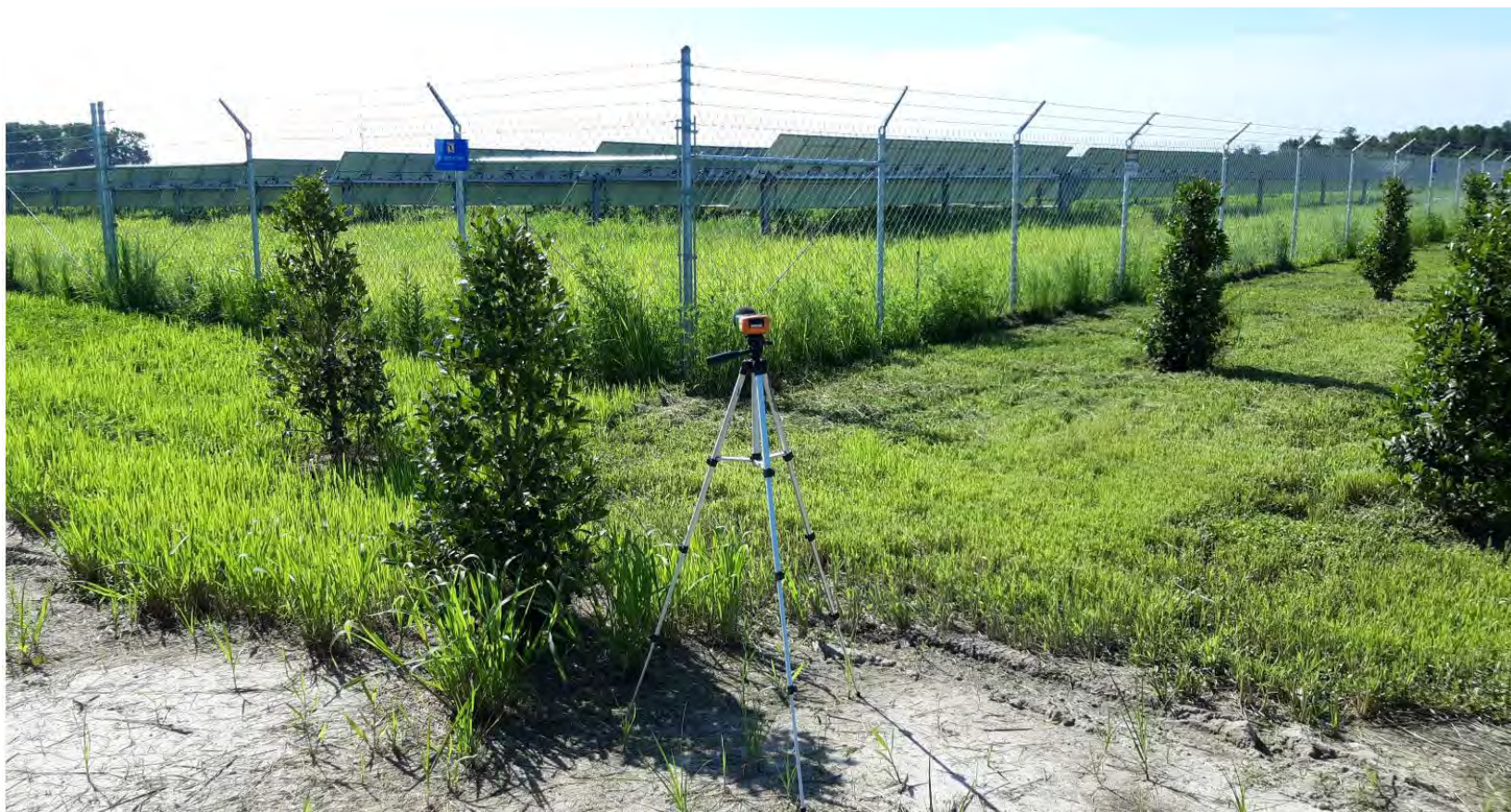
Location	With Louvers	With Hoods
Position 1 At property line flag – facing SW toward Skids 2 and 3	49.4	47.0
Position 2 In road to property – facing SW toward Skids 2 and 3	49.3	47.6
Position 3 At property line fence – facing SE toward Skids 4 and 5	50.5	46.6



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Set-up of Sound Meter facing SE toward Skids 4 and 5:





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Test Method

Sound Data-Logger settings:

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A-weighted measurement type.

Sampling rate = 2 seconds.

Averaging set to Slow.

Procedure

Immediately prior to datalogging, the Sound Level Meter reading is verified with a Calibrator (94dB @ 1000 Hz).

Sound Level data logged in this method:

- Log data at first position for 2 minutes.
- Pause data logging.
- Move Sound Meter to second position.
- Log data for 2 minutes.
- Continue in this manner for all positions.

Operating Mode:

- All inverters were operating at full Rated Output.



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Data Summary Method:

Method for a single Skid (or the Residence House):

- Data is recorded at each Position for 2 minutes, at a rate of one sample every 2 seconds.
- The first 55 recorded values at each measurement Position is then Averaged into a single value.
- Each of these Position values are entered into Equation 12 from ISO 3744 – 2010:

Equation (12):

$$\overline{L'_{p(ST)}} = 10 \lg \left[\frac{1}{N_M} \sum_{i=1}^{N_M} 10^{0,1 L'_{pi(ST)}} \right] \text{ dB}$$

where

$L'_{pi(ST)}$ is the frequency-band or A-weighted time-averaged sound pressure level measured at the i th microphone position or i th microphone traverse with the noise source under test (ST) in operation, in decibels;

N_M is the number of microphone positions or individual microphone traverses.

- The result is the Averaged Sound Level for each Skid (or Residence House).



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Appendix A – Test Equipment:



- Extech Sound Level Meter, Model SDL600.
- Calibrator Extech Model ND9.



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Appendix B – Calibration Certificate for Sound Meter:

Certificate Number 202006567

Calibration Certificate

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ID	343282	Procedure Name	Sound Level
Description	Sound Level Meter	Tolerance	±1.4 dB
Manufacturer	EXTECH	Temperature	89
Model Number	SDL600	Humidity	42
Serial Number	343282	Received	In Tolerance
Service Date	7/20/2020	Returned	Pass
Due Date	7/20/2021		
On Site Calibration	No		

Work Order Notes: Adjusted unit to improve accuracy. Accuracy verified to be within Manufacturer's specifications.

See attached data sheet(s) for measurement data

Standards Used			
Description	Service Date	Due Date	ID
Calibrator, Sound Level	7/24/2018	7/31/2021	IC-10658
Recorder, Temperature, Humidity	3/5/2020	3/31/2021	IC-11611

This calibration was performed in compliance with the ICTS Quality System, ISO9001:2015, ANSI/NCSL 2540-1-1994 and the specific requirements of the customer's order. The measurement standards used are traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), fundamental or natural physical constants, National Standards of other countries which are correlated with U.S. National Standards, ratio type or self calibrating techniques, or comparison to consensus standards. A Test Uncertainty Ratio of 4:1 was maintained unless specified. This certificate may not be reproduced, except in full, without the approval of ICTS, Inc.

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DATA SHEET

CUSTOMER: TMEIC

ID#: 343282
WORK ORDER #: 2020006567
MANUFACTURER: Extech
MODEL: SDL600
DESCRIPTION: Sound Level Meter
SERIAL NO: 343282

Reviewed By: Brian Hood

Date: 7/20/2020

Function/Range	Nominal	Minimum	As Found	Maximum	As Left
dB/Auto	94	92.6	95.1	95.4	93.9
Mode - Slow	114	112.6	115.2	115.4	114.2
Weighting - A					

Manufacturer's Specified Accuracy: ± 1.4 dB
All readings are within specifications unless otherwise indicated in
Unless otherwise indicated, As Left reading is As Found.
Adjusted to improve.

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Scope

This Standards publication applies to single phase and polyphase power and distribution transformers (including step-voltage regulators and reactors). This Standard excludes dry type transformers covered by NEMA ST20. This publication provides a reference list of applicable ANSI and IEEE C57 Standards.

In addition, this publication includes certain NEMA Standard test methods, test codes, properties, etc. of liquid-immersed transformers, step-voltage regulators, and reactors that are not IEEE Standards.



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Part 0 General

The following IEEE and 10 CFR Standards are applicable references and should be inserted in this part:

IEEE Std. C57.12.00-2010	<i>IEEE Standard for General Requirements for Liquid-Immersed Distribution, Power, and Regulating Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.01	<i>IEEE Standard General Requirements for Dry-Type Distribution and Power Transformers including those with Solid-Cast and/or Resin-Encapsulated windings</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.10	<i>IEEE Standard Requirement for Liquid-Immersed Power Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.70	<i>IEEE Standard for Standard Terminal Markings and Connections for Distribution and Power Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.90	<i>IEEE Standard Test Code for Liquid-immersed Distribution, Power & Regulating Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.90	<i>IEEE Standard Test Code for Dry-Type Distribution and Power Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.19.00	<i>IEEE Standard General Requirements and Test Procedure for Power Apparatus Bushings</i>
IEEE Std. C57.19.01	<i>IEEE Standard Performance Characteristics & Dimensions for Outdoor Apparatus Bushings</i>
IEEE Std. C57.91	<i>IEEE Guide for Loading Mineral-oil-immersed Transformers and Step-Voltage Regulators</i>
10 CFR 429	<i>Part 429-Certification, Compliance, and Enforcement for Consumer Products and Commercial and Industrial Equipment</i>
10 CFR 431	<i>Part 431- Energy Efficiency Program for Certain Commercial and Industrial Equipment</i>

The NEMA Standards TR 1-0.01 through TR 1-0.03 on the following pages (see Part 0, Pages 2-3) also generally apply to transformers.

0.01 Preferred Voltage Ratings

Preferred system voltages and corresponding transformer voltage ratings are given in the American National Standard for Electric Power Systems and Equipment-Voltage Ratings (60 Hz); C84.1. It is recommended that these ratings be used as a guide in the purchase and operation of transformers.

0.02 Preferred Forced-Air and Forced-Liquid Ratings

Preferred forced-air and forced-liquid ratings are given in section 4 Table 1 of IEEE Std. C57.12.00-2010. It is recommended that these ratings be used as a guide in the purchase and operation of transformers.

0.03 Audible Sound Levels

Transformers shall be so designed that the average sound level will not exceed the values given in Tables 0-1 through 0-2 when measured at the factory in accordance with the conditions outlined in IEEE Std. C57.12.90.

The guaranteed sound levels should continue to be per Tables 1 through 2 until such time as enough data on measured noise power levels becomes available.

Sound pressure levels are established and published in this document. Sound power may be calculated from sound pressure using the method described in C57.12.90.

Rectifier, railway, furnace, grounding, mobile, and mobile unit substation transformers are not covered by the tables. The tables do not apply during operation "of" on load tap changers in power transformers and step-voltage regulators.

For audible sound levels of dry-type transformers 15000-Volt nominal system voltage and below the tables listed in the IEEE C57.12.01 Standard are applicable references.



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Table 1
Audible Sound Levels for Oil-Immersed Power Transformers

Average Sound Level tt. Decibels	Equivalent Two-Winding Rating*																	
	350 kV BIL and Below			450, 550, 650 kV BIL			750 and 825 kV BIL			900 and 1050 kV BIL			1175 kV BIL			1300 kV BIL. and Above		
	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3
57	700																	
58	1000																	
59				700														
60	1500			1000														
61	2000																	
62	2500			1500														
63	3000			2000														
64	4000			2500														
65	5000			3000														
66	6000			4000			3000											
67	7500	6250▲▲		5000	3750▲▲		4000	3125▲▲										
68	10000	7500		6000	5000		5000	3750										
69	12500	9375		7500	6250		6000	5000										
70	15000	12500		10000	7500		7500	6250										
71	20000	16667		12500	9375		10000	7500										
72	25000	20000	20800	15000	12500		12500	9375										
73	30000	26667	25000	20000	16667		15000	12500		12500								
74	40000	33333	33333	25000	20000	20800	20000	16667		15000			12500					
75	50000	40000	41687	30000	26667	25000	25000	20000	20800	20000	16667		15000			12500		
76	60000	53333	50000	40000	33333	33333	30000	26667	25000	25000	20000	20800	20000	16667		15000		
77	80000	66687	66667	50000	40000	41667	40000	33333	33333	30000	26667	25000	25000	20000	20800	20000	16667	
78	100000	80000	83333	60000	53333	50000	50000	40000	41667	40000	33333	33333	30000	26667	25000	25000	20000	20800
79		106667	100000	80000	66667	66667	60000	53333	50000	50000	40000	41667	40000	33333	33333	30000	26667	25000
80		133333	133333	100000	60000	83333	80000	66667	66667	60000	53333	50000	50000	40000	41667	40000	33333	33333
81			166667		106667	100000	100000	80000	83333	80000	66667	66667	60000	53333	50000	50000	40000	41667
82			200000		133333	133333		106867	100000	100000	80000	83333	80000	66667	66667	60000	53333	50000
83			250000			166667		133333	133333		10686	100000	100000	80000	83333	80000	66667	68667
84			300000			200000		166667	133333		133333	133333		106667	100000	100000	80000	83333
85			400000			250000		200000	200000			166667		133333	133333		106667	100000
86						300000		250000	250000			200000			166667		133333	133333
87						400000		300000	300000			250000			200000			168667
88								400000				300000			250000			200000
89												400000			300000			250000
90															400000			300000
91																		400000

Column 1 • Class*ONAN, ONWN and OFWF Rating*
 Column 2 • Class* ONAF and ODAF First stage Auxiliary Cooling"t
 Column 3 • Straight OFAF Ratings, ONAF * and ODAF * Second stage Auxiliary Cooling"t
 Classes of cooling, see section 5.1 IEEE Std. C57.12-2010

"First- and second stage auxiliary cooling, see section 4 Table 1 of IEEE Std. C57-12-2010
 f For column 2 and 3 ratings, the sound levels are with the auxiliary cooling equipment in operation.
 tf For intermediate kVA ratings, use the average sound level of the next larger kVA rating.
 ▲ The equivalent two-winding 55°C or 65°C rating is defined as one-half the sum of the kVA rating of all windings
 ▲▲ Sixty-seven decibels for all kVA ratings equal to this or smaller.

Table 2
Audible Sound Levels for Liquid-Immersed
Network Transformers and Step-Voltage Regulators

Equivalent Two-Winding kVA	Average Sound Level Decibels
0-50	48
51-100	51
101-300	55
301-500	56
501-750	57
751-1000	58
1001-1500	60
1501-2000	61
2001-2500	62
2501-3000	63



Part 1

Power Transformers

The IEEE Std. C57.12.10 is an applicable reference Standard for power transformers and should be inserted in this Part 1.

The IEEE Std. C57.91 is an applicable reference Standard and should be inserted in this Part 1.

The following other parts of this edition of NEMA TR 1 shall also apply for power transformers.

- a. Part 0 General
- b. Part 9 Terminology
- c. Part 10 Test Code



Part 2 Substation And Distribution Step-Voltage Regulators

The following IEEE Standards are applicable references for substation and distribution step-voltage regulators and should be inserted in this Part 2:

IEEE Std. C57.15	<i>IEEE Standard Requirements, Terminology, and Test Code for Step-Voltage Regulators</i>
IEEE Std. C37.90-1	<i>IEEE Standard for Surge Withstand Capability (SWC) Tests for Relays and Relay Systems Associated with Electric Power Apparatus</i>
IEEE Std. C37.90.2	<i>IEEE Standard for Withstand Capability of Relay Systems to Radiated Electromagnetic Interference from Transceivers</i>
IEEE Std. C37.90.3	<i>IEEE Standard Electrostatic Discharge Tests for Protective Relays</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.31	<i>IEEE Standard for Pole-Mounted Equipment--Enclosure Integrity</i>
IEEE Std. C57.91	<i>IEEE Guide for Loading Mineral-Oil-Immersed Transformers and Step-Voltage Regulators</i>
IEEE Std. C57.98	<i>IEEE Guide for Transformer Impulse Tests</i>
IEEE Std. C57.131	<i>IEEE Standard Requirements for Tap Changers</i>



Part 3 Distribution Transformers

The following IEEE Standards are applicable references for distribution transformers and should be inserted in this Part 3:

IEEE Std. C57.12.20	<i>IEEE Standard for Overhead-Type Distribution Transformers, 500 kVA and Smaller: High Voltage, 34500 Volts, and Below; Low Voltage, 7970/13800Y Volts, and Below</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.23	<i>IEEE Standard for Submersible Single-Phase Transformers: 167 kVA and Smaller, High-Voltage 25000 V and Below; Low-Voltage 600 V and Below</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.24	<i>IEEE Standard for Submersible, Three-Phase Transformers, 3750 kVA and Smaller: High Voltage, 34500 GrdY/19920 Volts, and Below; Low Voltage, 600 Volts, and Below</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.29™	<i>IEEE Standard for Pad-Mounted Equipment-Enclosure Integrity for Coastal Environments</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.30™	<i>IEEE Standard for Pole-Mounted Equipment-Enclosure Integrity for Coastal Environments</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.31™	<i>IEEE Standard for Pole-Mounted Equipment-Enclosure Integrity</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.32™ (<i>IEEE Standard for Submersible Equipment- Enclosure Integrity</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.34™	<i>IEEE Standard for Requirements for Pad-Mounted, Compartmental-Type, Self-Cooled, Three-Phase Distribution Transformers, 5 MVA and Smaller; High Voltage, 34.5 kV Nominal System Voltage and Below; Low Voltage, 15 kV Nominal System Voltage and Below.</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.35™	<i>IEEE Standard for Bar Coding for Distribution Transformers and Step-Voltage Regulators</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.36™	<i>IEEE Standard Requirements for Liquid-Immersed Distribution Substation Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.38™	<i>IEEE Standard for Pad-Mounted-Type, Self-Cooled, Single-Phase Distribution Transformers; High Voltage, 34 500 GrdY/19 920 V and below, Low Voltage, 240/120 V; 167 kVA and smaller</i>
IEEE Std. C57.105™	<i>IEEE Guide for Application of Transformer Connections in Three-Phase Distribution Systems</i>

The following other parts of this edition of NEMA TR 1 shall apply for distribution transformers:

- a. Part 0 General
- b. Part 9 Terminology
- c. Part 10 Test Code

3.01 Design Test for Enclosure Security of Padmounted Compartmental Transformers

The following IEEE Standards provide a means for evaluating the security of enclosures for transformers.

IEEE Std. C57.12.28™	<i>IEEE Standard for Pad-Mounted Equipment - Enclosure Integrity</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.34™	<i>IEEE Standard for Requirements for Pad-Mounted, Compartmental-Type, Self-Cooled, Three-Phase Distribution Transformers, 5 MVA and Smaller; High Voltage, 34.5 kV Nominal System Voltage and Below; Low Voltage, 15 kV Nominal System Voltage and Below.</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.38™	<i>IEEE Standard for Pad-Mounted-Type, Self-Cooled, Single-Phase Distribution Transformers; High Voltage, 34 500 GrdY/19 920 V and Below, Low Voltage, 240/120 V; 167 kVA and Smaller</i>



Part 4

Secondary Network Transformers

The American National Standard Requirements for C57.12.40 *Secondary Network Transformers, Subway and Vault Types (Liquid Immersed)*, (with the exception of paragraphs 5.5.4 and 11.5.2 on finishes) is an applicable reference for secondary network transformers and should be inserted in this Part 4.

The following other parts of this edition of NEMA TR 1 shall also apply for secondary network transformers.

- a. Part 0 General
- b. Part 9 Terminology
- c. Part 10 Test Code



Part 5 Dry-Type Transformers

The following IEEE/NEMA Standards are applicable references for dry-type transformers and should be inserted in this Part 5:

IEEE Std. C57.12.01	<i>IEEE Standard General Requirements for Dry-Type Distribution and Power Transformers Including Those with Solid Cast and/or Resin-Encapsulated Windings</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.91	<i>IEEE Standard Test Code for Dry-Type Distribution and Power Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.50	<i>Requirements for Ventilated Dry-Type Distribution Transformers, 1 to 500 kVA, Single-Phase; and 15 to 500 kVA, Three-Phase; With High-Voltage 601-34500 Volts, Low-Voltage 120-600 Volts</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.51	<i>IEEE Standard for Ventilated Dry-Type Power Transformers, 501 kVA and Larger, Three-Phase, With High-Voltage 601-34500 Volts, Low-Voltage 208Y/120V to 4160V-General Requirements</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.52	<i>IEEE Standard for Sealed Dry-Type Power Transformers, 501 kVA and Larger, Three-Phase, With High-Voltage 601-34500 Volts, Low-Voltage 208Y/120V to 4160V-General Requirements</i>
IEEE Std. C57.94	<i>IEEE Recommended Practices for Installation, Application, Operation and Maintenance of Dry-Type General Purpose Distribution and Power Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.96	<i>Guide for Loading Dry-Type Distribution and Power Transformers</i>
NEMA ST 20	<i>Dry Type Transformers for General Applications</i>

Part 6
Substation Transformers

The following other parts of this edition of NEMA TR 1 shall also apply for substation transformers.

- a. Part 0 General
- b. Part 9 Terminology
- c. Part 10 Test Code



Part 7
Arc Furnace Transformers

The following other parts of this edition of NEMA TR 1 shall also apply for arc furnace transformers.

- a. Part 0 General
- b. Part 9 Terminology
- c. Part 10 Test Code



Part 8

Shunt Reactors

The IEEE Std. C57.21 is an applicable reference and should be inserted in this Part 8.

To facilitate safe and effective operation and consistency of reporting for all shunt reactor transformers, it is recommended that the information listed in this IEEE Standard be included in the test report for every shunt reactor transformer.



Part 9
Terminology

The ANSI/IEEE Std. C57.12.80- is an applicable reference for terminology and should be inserted in this Part 9.



Part 10 Test Code

The following IEEE Standards are applicable references for transformer test codes and should be inserted in this Part 10:

IEEE Std. C57.12.90™	<i>IEEE Standard Test Code for Liquid-Immersed Distribution, Power, and Regulating Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.12.91	<i>IEEE Standard Test Code for Dry-Type Distribution and Power Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.13™	<i>IEEE Standard Requirements for Instrument Transformers</i>
IEEE Std. C57.98™	<i>IEEE Guide for Transformer Impulse Tests</i>

To facilitate safe and effective operation and consistency of reporting for all power and distribution transformers, it is recommended that the information listed in the IEEE Std. C57.12.00-2010, section 8.7 be included in the test report for every transformer.

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Smart Solar Tracking System

Serving as the backbone on over 35 gigawatts of solar power plants around the world, the NX Horizon™ smart solar tracker system combines best-in-class hardware and software to help EPCs and asset owners maximize performance and minimize operational costs.

Flexible and Resilient by Design

With its self-aligning module rails and vibration-proof fasteners, NX Horizon can be easily and rapidly installed. The self-powered, decentralized architecture allows each row to be commissioned in advance of site power, and is designed to withstand high winds and other adverse weather conditions. On a recent 838 megawatt project in Villanueva, Mexico, these design features allowed for the project to go online nine months ahead of schedule.

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Incorporating the most promising innovations in utility scale solar, NX Horizon with TrueCapture™ smart control system can add additional energy production by up to six percent. Further unlocking the advantages of independent-row architecture and the data collected from thousands of sensors across its built-in wireless network, the software continuously optimizes the tracking algorithm of each row in response to site terrain and changing weather conditions. NX Horizon can also be paired with bifacial PV module technology, which can provide even more energy harvest and performance. With bifacial technology, NX Horizon outperforms conventional tracking systems with over 1% more annual energy.

Quality and Reliability from Day One

Quality and reliability are designed and tested into every NX Horizon component and system across our supply chain and manufacturing operations. NextTracker is the leader in dynamic wind analysis and safety stowing, delivering major benefits in uptime and long-term durability. NX Horizon is certified to UL 2703 and UL 3703 standards, underscoring NextTracker's commitment to safety, reliability and quality.

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5 years in a row

Global Market Share Leader (2015-18)

35 GW

Delivered on 5 Continents

Best-in Class

Software Ecosystem and
Global Services

Up to 6%

Using TrueCapture Smart
Control System



GENERAL AND MECHANICAL

Tracking type	Horizontal single-axis, independent row.
String voltage	1,500 V _{DC} or 1,000 V _{DC}
Typical row size	78-90 modules, depending on module string length.
Drive type	Non-backdriving, high accuracy slew gear.
Motor type	24 V brushless DC motor
Array height	Rotation axis elevation 1.3 to 1.8 m / 4'3" to 5'10"
Ground coverage ratio (GCR)	Configurable. Typical range 28-50%.
Modules supported	Mounting options available for virtually all utility-scale crystalline modules, First Solar Series 6 and First Solar Series 4.
Bifacial features	High-rise mounting rails, bearing + driveline gaps and round torque tube.
Tracking range of motion	Options for ±60° or ±50°
Operating temperature range	SELF POWERED: -30°C to 55°C (-22°F to 131°F) AC POWERED: -40°C to 55°C (-40°F to 131°F)
Module configuration	1 in portrait. 3 x 1,500 V or 4 x 1,000 V strings per standard tracker. Partial length trackers available.
Module attachment	Self-grounding, electric tool-actuated fasteners.
Materials	Galvanized steel
Allowable wind speed	Configurable up to 225 kph (140 mph) 3-second gust
Wind protection	Intelligent wind stowing with symmetric dampers for maximum array stability in all wind conditions
Foundations	Standard W6 section foundation posts

ELECTRONICS AND CONTROLS

Solar tracking method	Astronomical algorithm with backtracking. TrueCapture™ upgrades available for terrain adaptive backtracking and diffuse tracking mode
Control electronics	NX tracker controller with inbuilt inclinometer and backup battery
Communications	Zigbee wireless communications to all tracker rows and weather stations via network control units (NCUs)
Nighttime stow	Yes
Power supply	SELF POWERED: NX provided 30 or 60W Smart Panel AC POWERED: Customer-provided 120-240 V _{AC} circuit

INSTALLATION, OPERATIONS AND SERVICE

PE stamped structural calculations and drawings	Included
Onsite training and system commissioning	Included
Installation requirements	Simple assembly using swaged fasteners and bolted connections. No field cutting, drilling or welding.
Monitoring	NX Data Hub™ centralized data aggregation and monitoring
Module cleaning compatibility	Compatible with NX qualified cleaning systems
Warranty	10-year structural, 5-year drive and control components.
Codes and standards	UL 3703 / UL 2703 / IEC 62817



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Regulatory Expertise

- NEPA
- CWA
- RCRA
- NHPA
- ESA
- CAA

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- Solar
- Pipelines
- Utilities/Traditional Energy Sources
- US Air Force
- National Guard
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Forest Service
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission
- Corresponding State Agencies
- FHWA & State DOTs
- FRA
- FTA
- TVA
- Academic Institutions & NGOs

Qualifications/Registrations

- Virginia Bar Association, Environmental Law Section
- District of Columbia Bar Association, Environmental, Energy and Natural Resources Section
- Lexington Environmental Commission
- Lexington Community Land Trust
- Town Branch Trail, Inc.
- Paint Lick Watershed Alliance

Trainings

- NEPA and the Transportation Decision-Making Process
- Public Involvement in Transportation Decision-Making
- Conducting Quality Cumulative Impact Analysis
- Context Sensitive Design
- Land Use Planning
- Environmental Justice
- Watershed-Based Planning
- ODOT Noise Analysis
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Environmental Review and Compliance for Natural Gas Facilities
- Regulatory Issues and Renewable Energy Facilities



Qualifications and Background

Mr. Marchaterre has significant environmental, regulatory, and permitting experience, and has overseen development of NEPA environmental documentation and supporting studies. He has been involved in more than 80 EISs, EAs, and CEs. Mr. Marchaterre has managed permitting, air quality studies, noise analyses, socioeconomic baseline studies, land use analyses, conservation and historic preservation analyses, community impact assessments, Phase I hazardous materials site assessments, biological assessments, wetlands delineations, environmental justice, cumulative impacts, and public involvement activities. For the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, he provided support to the National Environmental Justice Advisory Committee for two years.

Education

- **J.D. 1988**, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia
- **B.A. History and Political Science**, 1985, Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts
- Williams-Mystic American Maritime Program, 1985

Selected Project Experience

Tennessee Valley Authority

Wilson Dam Bridge Deck Refurbishment EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, Alabama.

Project manager for an environmental assessment analyzing the potential impacts resulting from refurbishment of the Wilson Dam bridge Deck spanning Pickwick Reservoir and connecting Colbert and Lauderdale counties, Alabama. Authored multiple resource sections and coordinated directly with TVA NEPA and project management team.

Kingston Fossil Plant Wastewater Treatment Facility EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, Tennessee.

Assistant Project Manager for an environmental assessment addressing installation of new wet flue gas desulfurization wastewater treatment facilities and modification of existing processes at Kingston Fossil Plant to enhance wastewater quality. Authoring resource sections and responsible for senior-level NEPA support and QA/QC.

Natural Resource Plan Supplemental EIS. Tennessee Valley Authority, Tennessee.

Assistant Project Manager for a supplemental EIS analyzing the implementation of a revised Natural Resource Plan covering 293,000 acres of TVA reservoir land. TVA manages 154 natural areas and conducts specific management activities compatible with the goals for each area. Providing technical review of draft resource sections, working with subject matter experts, and reviewing drafts of the Supplemental EIS.

Riverton Development Project EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, TN. Assistant project manager for an EA analyzing issuance of a shoreline construction permit associated with the proposed Riverton mixed-use development in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The permit would be issued under Section 26(a) of the TVA Act to allow Riverton to install floating residential boat docks and place riprap along the shoreline of the Nickajack Reservoir. Key issues included floodplain alteration, cultural and tribal resources, potential impacts on the NRHP-listed Chickamauga Dam Reservation, and conversion of a natural setting to one with mixed residential and commercial uses.

Chickamauga Law Enforcement Training Center Easement EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, TN.

Assistant project manager for an EA analyzing issuance of an easement and land use permit for development of a law enforcement training center on TVA land near Chattanooga, Tennessee. Key issues include avoidance of cultural resources and federally listed species, potential impacts on the NRHP-listed Chickamauga Dam Reservation, and impacts on transportation and noise. Required close coordination with TVA archaeologist and botanist.

Clean Water Act Section 401 Permitting Tool for TVA Natural Resources Group, Tennessee. Assistant project manager responsible for developing a new tool to ensure TVA Section 26(a) permitting is consistent with state requirements for Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certifications and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permits. Required clear and accurate identification of differing permitting processes across seven states (Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia) and three Corps districts (Nashville, Savannah, and Memphis).

TVA Programmatic EIS for Closure of Ash Impoundments in Alabama, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

For TVA, helped prepare the EIS for the closure of ash impoundments as a result of new US EPA coal combustion residuals requirements and TVA's goal to close wet ash storage facilities. The EIS evaluated the potential effects of multiple closure alternatives. Prepared scoping report and participated in five public meetings held at different power plants. Supported public involvement and developed materials and posters for the public meetings. Drafted text for the programmatic component as well as the site-specific analysis for closing ten ash impoundments at six different fossil fuel plants. Prepared comment response document and Record of Decision.

TVA Multiple Reservoir Land Management Plan EIS, Alabama, Kentucky and Tennessee.

For TVA, helped prepare the EIS for multiple reservoir land management plans (RLMPs) for 138,000 acres of TVA-managed public land on eight reservoirs. The updated RLMPs are needed to consider changes to land uses over time, to make land planning decisions on these eight reservoirs consistent with the TVA Land Policy and the Comprehensive Valleywide Land Plan and to incorporate TVA's goals for managing natural resources on public lands. Developed air quality, recreation, and cultural resource sections of the EIS, as well as provided technical review.

EA/FONSI, Ash Dewatering Facility at Shawnee Fossil Plant, Tennessee Valley Authority, McCracken County, Kentucky.

Supported development of EA/FONSI for a bottom ash dewatering facility to help TVA convert from wet ash storage to dry storage. Evaluated project affects to parks and nearby wildlife management areas and water use. Potential visual impacts on historic resources were a concern.

EIS for TVA Bull Run Fossil Plant Landfill, TN.

EIS Author and Technical Reviewer for preparation of an EIS to address the storage of coal combustion residuals (ash) generated at Bull Run Fossil Plant. Helped prepare draft sections of the EIS including hazardous materials and cultural resources components, as well as provided technical review of draft documents.

TVA Muscle Shoals Reservation EA, Colbert County, AL.

Supported the environmental assessment on the proposed relocation and realignment of essential operations at the Muscle Shoals Reservation. The EA evaluated three alternatives: 1) no action; 2) construct a new facility on a Greenfield site; or 3) modify an existing facility on the Reservation to house the relocated essential operations. Developed text for the EA and provided technical review.

Solar

Site Characterization Study for Solar Energy Development. Confidential Client. Breckinridge County, Kentucky. Assistant Project Manager for a site characterization study analyzing a property in Breckinridge County, Kentucky, for possible development as a solar energy generating facility. The study included a desktop review of federal and state data pertaining to sensitive resources such as listed species, wetlands or other surface waters, prime farmland, karst topography, and public and protected lands. Copperhead staff then performed a one-day field verification to characterize vegetative communities, possible bat habitat, and the presence of jurisdictional waters. A summary report was provided to the client which outlined potential environmental concerns and presented a permitting matrix delineated by issuing agency, trigger, and timeline.

Site Characterization Study for a Proposed Solar Energy Project. Confidential Client. Kentucky.

Managed a site characterization study to identify potential environmental constraints associated with land cover/use, soils, wetlands and watercourses, farmland, threatened and endangered species, and other considerations. The study included a desktop assessment using publicly available databases and a field reconnaissance survey of the subject property.

Biological Assessment for Indiana Bats, Northern Long-eared Bats, and Bog Turtle. Confidential Client, New York. Managing the development of a biological assessment with adverse effects to bat habitat. Consultation with United States Fish and Wildlife to develop mitigation alternatives.

Site Characterization Study, Wetland Delineations, Phase I ESA, and Cultural Resources Overview for a Proposed Solar Project. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Managed site characterization studies, aquatic resources delineation, Phase I ESA, and cultural resources overview for solar project on an approximately

800-acre parcel in Garrard County, KY. The study included a desktop review of federal and state data pertaining to sensitive resources such as listed species, wetlands or other surface waters, prime farmland, karst topography, and public and protected lands. A wetland delineation identified and demarcated aquatic features that may be jurisdictional waters of the U.S. or isolated waters of the state.

Site Characterization Study, Wetland Delineations, Phase I ESA, and Cultural Resources Overview for a Proposed Solar Project. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Managed site characterization studies, aquatic resources delineation, Phase I ESA, and cultural resources overview for solar project on an approximately 800-acre parcel in Metcalfe County, KY. The study included a desktop review of federal and state data pertaining to sensitive resources such as listed species, wetlands or other surface waters, prime farmland, karst topography, and public and protected lands. A wetland delineation identified and demarcated aquatic features that may be jurisdictional waters of the U.S. or isolated waters of the state.

Three Solar Projects - Site Characterization Study, Wetland Delineations, Phase I ESA, and Cultural Resources Overview. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Managed desktop review and field studies to support development of site characterization studies, wetland delineations, Phase I ESAs, acoustical analyses, and cultural resource overviews. A site reconnaissance identified potential habitat for federally listed and state-listed at-risk species and identified areas of potential concern, such as cemeteries..

Acoustic Analysis for Multiple Solar Projects. Confidential Clients. Kentucky. Managed acoustical analyses for multiple projects. Described existing sound levels from the project site and surrounding areas as well as potential impacts from construction, operation, and maintenance activities. Provided a report of the findings of the acoustical analysis. The report will contain a summary of the project, describe existing sound conditions, identify potential sensitive receptors (e.g., residences), and evaluate potential construction and operation sound levels.

Critical Issues Analysis (CIA) for a Solar Facility. Confidential Client. Tennessee. Assistant project manager for development of a CIA. The CIA's goal is to gain a better understanding of the environmental issues that could potentially affect project development. Some of the resource areas Copperhead collected information on include vegetation communities and general wildlife, threatened and endangered species, migratory birds nests, soil types, and historic and cultural resources. The wetland/stream mapping's goal is to estimate how much of the Project Area may be wetlands as opposed to uplands and to identify anticipated buffer setbacks. The information gathered helps to inform Copperhead and the client about what regulations will need to be adhered to and what permits will need to be acquired.

Critical Issues Analysis (CIA) for a Solar Facility. Confidential Client. Mississippi. Assistant project manager for development of a CIA. The CIA's goal is to gain a better understanding of the environmental issues that could potentially affect project development. Some of the resource areas Copperhead collected information on include vegetation communities and general wildlife, threatened and endangered species, migratory birds nests, soil types, and historic and cultural resources. The wetland/stream mapping's goal is to estimate how much of the Project Area may be wetlands as opposed to uplands and to identify anticipated buffer setbacks. The information gathered helps to inform Copperhead and the client about what regulations will need to be adhered to and what permits will need to be acquired.

Multiple Studies for Solar Facility. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Project manager for a site characterization study, a wetlands delineation, an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (JD) from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Louisville District, a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), cultural resource assessments, a threatened and endangered species habitat assessment, a preliminary geotechnical site characterization, and prepare an acoustical analysis.

Bat Conservation Plans for Solar Projects. Confidential Client. Virginia. Technical reviewer for multiple bat conservation plans to reduce potential impacts from solar projects on bat roosting, foraging, and commuting habitat.

Transportation

Threatened and Endangered Species Habitat Assessments and Surveys, Bridging Kentucky Program, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Project Manager. Throughout Kentucky, Copperhead as subconsultant is tasked with providing environmental services including coordination for Threatened and Endangered Species (TES), assessment of potential habitat, preparation of biological assessments, programmatic agreement comments, and NEPA permit assistance (including Section 401/404 and U.S. Coast Guard Section 10) for the program to rehabilitate or replace over 1,000 bridges in the next six years. Screened over 400 bridges for environmental concerns and potential TES habitat. Conducting habitat assessments, mussel and fish surveys, and preparing permits, biological assessments, and no effect documentation.

EA/FONSI, US 68, Bourbon-Nicholas Counties, Kentucky. Item No. 7-310.00.

Prepared an EA and individual Section 4(f) evaluation as well as baseline studies for this 13.3-mile project. Section 106 issues were a critical component due to over 50 historic sites and 2 historic districts. Seventeen alternates were considered to avoid or minimize impacts to historic sites and prime farmland. Section 401/404 and floodplain construction permits and stream mitigation required due to 10,000 feet of channel change. Developed a public involvement plan and participated in public meetings, a public hearing, and Section 106 consulting party meetings.

EA/FONSI, East Nicholasville Bypass, Jessamine County, Kentucky.

Prepared an EA and managed the development of the FONSI for this 7-mile project. Managed the historic and archaeological studies of several farm sites. Due to potential impacts to a historic site, avoidance alternates were developed. Prepared socioeconomic, traffic noise and hazardous materials/underground storage tank studies and oversaw the other environmental base studies and addenda. Helped address concerns about economic impacts of developing the bypass and visual/noise concerns for residents. Supported citizen advisory committee meetings, public information meetings and the public hearing. Participated in the biological assessment for running buffalo clover, Indiana bat and gray bat.

EA/FONSI, US 60 Tennessee River Crossing, McCracken-Livingston Counties, Kentucky.

Managed preparation of the EA and Section 4(f) evaluation for the replacement of the historic George Rogers Clark Memorial Bridge and approaches. Oversaw minimization and mitigation efforts for wetlands, floodplains, historic bridge, and relocations.

EA/FONSI, US 119 (Partridge to Whitesburg), KYTC, Letcher County, Kentucky.

Project Manager. Managed preparation of two EAs and baseline studies for two connecting projects (14.8 miles in length). Managed public involvement activities (Pine Mountain Crossing Task Force, public meetings, and public hearings), and oversaw minimization and mitigation efforts for wetland, stream, floodplain, historic and relocation impacts. Due to numerous crossings of the Poor Fork of the Cumberland River and potential impacts to the Bad Branch Nature Preserve, Pine Mountain Wildlife Management Area, and a historic site, this project evaluated Section 4(f) impacts, numerous alternates, the potential impacts of 20 bridges, a 4.2-mile tunnel, and several waste areas. Managed the biological assessment for the Indiana bat, gray bat, and blackside dace. Participated in the Section 401 and 404 permitting process for wetland and stream impacts.

Categorical Exclusion 2, Town Branch Trail Phase 6, Fayette County, Kentucky. Item No. 7-7310.00.

Project Manager for Town Branch Trail Phase 6 Categorical Exclusion. Conducted environmental studies and prepared environmental documents for the multi-use trail between McConnell Springs Drive on Old Frankfort Pike to Oliver Lewis Way. Participated in project and public meetings on the proposed trail and developed Section 4(f) evaluation of potential impacts on historic James McConnell House as well as dry laid retaining walls along Town Branch.

Mitigation Support. Newtown Pike Extension, Fayette County. Kentucky. Item No. 7-593.00.

For the Community Land Trust, providing environmental justice advocacy for a low-income, minority neighborhood concerning EIS commitments and mitigation due to the Newtown Pike Extension. Reviewed environmental justice commitments, oversaw streetscape design work, examined traffic calming measures and plans for adjacent park, bike lanes, and bus transit facilities.

Categorical Exclusion and Programmatic Section 4(f), US 25 (Williamstown), Grant County, Kentucky. Item No. 6-1049.00.

Prepared the CE and Programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation concerning a bridge replacement / road improvement project. Historic sites, traffic noise, a senior citizen home, mobile home park relocation, business relocations, a railroad line, and park access were concerns. Worked with KY Department of Local Government to avoid Section 6(f) impacts due to a new park access.

Environmental Documentation for All Aboard Florida High Speed Rail, Florida.

For All Aboard Florida, developed technical baseline documents and provided technical review of methodology, existing environment, and environmental consequences sections for an approximately 128-mile section of a high-speed rail project from West Palm Beach to Miami, Florida. Involved in cultural resources, transportation, public utilities, and aesthetic components. Reviewed cultural resource report prepared by a subconsultant. Potential impacts to historic districts and resources were a concern. For All Aboard Florida, helped to review the DEIS prepared by a Third Party for Federal Railroad Administration.

Heartland Parkway Planning Study, Adair, Green, Taylor, Marion, Nelson, and Washington Counties, Kentucky.

Managed the environmental evaluation of the 68-mile corridor scoping study. Helped identify project needs and potential environmental concerns (historic battlefield, parks, conservation areas, endangered species, and cave/karst terrain). Identified the regional needs for improving/supporting economic development, tourism, higher education, and the agricultural sector. Participated in extensive public involvement activities. Managed the archaeological overview and Phase I archaeological survey for the 23-mile design project in Taylor and Adair Counties.

Environmental Assessment, KY 313, Hardin and Meade Counties, Kentucky.

Prepared an EA and FONSI for this 14-mile project. Managed the preparation of environmental baseline studies. Prepared a purpose and need statement to help justify the project. Helped evaluate potential cave and karst impacts. Managed the biological field studies that captured a federally endangered gray bat in the project area and helped evaluate mitigation options. Supported public meetings and the public hearing and coordinated with federal and state resource agencies.

Environmental Assessment, KY 40 (Inez to Warfield), Martin County, Kentucky.

Responsible for the EA for this 8.5-mile project. Relocations, strip mines, cemeteries, a historic site, and stream channel changes were environmental concerns. A separate waste disposal area and industrial development site were later evaluated. Managed review of environmental impacts of the roadway segment crossing into West Virginia. Supported KYTC in coordinating with the West Virginia Department of Highways and other West Virginia resource agencies. Supported the historic consultant in

evaluating methods to minimize potential indirect visual impacts of the proposed roadway and bridge on a historic site. Participated in stream mitigation and permitting activities.

Categorical Exclusion and Programmatic Section 4(f), US 25 (Williamstown), Grant County, Kentucky.
Prepared the CE and Programmatic Section 4(f) and managed the environmental studies concerning a bridge replacement and road improvement project. Historic sites, traffic noise, a senior citizen home, a mobile home park, business relocations, a railroad line, and a park were issues. Worked with the KY Department of Local Government to avoid a Section 6(f) impact during the development of new access to a park.

Environmental Assessment/US 68 (Columbia to Greensburg), Green and Adair Counties, Kentucky.
Prepared an EA for this 16-mile project. Managed the preparation of environmental overviews and baseline environmental studies, including wetlands, noise, air quality, Phase I ESA, socioeconomic, and threatened and endangered species. Oversaw the development of a cultural historic overview and survey and an archaeological overview, an archaeological high probability study, and a Phase I archaeological survey. Supported the citizen advisory committee, public meetings, and a Section 106 consulting party meeting. Aided the roadway designers in developing alternates to avoid impacts to a historic farm and in evaluating a land bridge over a historic railroad tunnel rather than imploding the tunnel. Worked with the cultural historian to analyze the potential indirect visual and vibration impacts of the land bridge on the tunnel.

Environmental Assessment for the Leslie, Knott, Letcher Perry County Community Action Council for Intermodal Transit Facility and Parking Structure, Hindman, Kentucky.

Managed the EA and environmental studies to secure federal funding for the rehabilitation of a 46-year old former jail building to be an intermodal transit facility and creation of a street level 150-space parking structure. Potential floodplain impacts, environmental justice concerns, archaeological sites, and historic viewshed effects were evaluated. Worked closely with Community Action Council and design firm to avoid and minimize impacts.

Documented CEs and EAs for Transit Projects, Christian, Clay, Franklin, Jefferson, and Knott Counties, Kentucky.

Managed successful preparation of Documented CEs and EAs for transit facilities, maintenance facilities, bus wash, and parking structures with the KYTC Office of Transportation Delivery. For a proposed City of Frankfort Transit bus wash/maintenance facility, a documented CE was completed within one month to meet a funding deadline. Mr. Marchaterre participated in all aspects of this project including desktop environmental analysis, site reconnaissance, agency coordination, and report preparation.

Environmental Studies and Categorical Exclusion for Clays Mill Road, Fayette County, Kentucky.

Project Manager responsible for the categorical exclusion and supporting studies for a 3.7-mile project in Lexington, KY. Prepared the HazMat/UST baseline study and assisted with the traffic noise modeling. Managed the sampling of streams, fish and macroinvertebrates to determine water quality. Groundwater in the project area is hydrologically sensitive due to the karst topography. Participated in citizen advisory committee and public meetings.

Environmental Assessment for Memphis Regional Intermodal Facility, Private Client, Rossville, TN.

Technical Reviewer and Author for a complex EA for a 650-acre intermodal facility. Conducted technical review of EA and baseline studies including Stream Assessment Report, Ecology Study Report, Noise Assessment Report, Cultural Resources, and Phase I archaeological Survey, and Viewshed Analysis. The intermodal facility will improve freight transportation capacity in the region and used Tiger Grant funds. FHWA is the lead federal agency with TDOT as lead state agency. Twenty-one out of 29 federal, state, and local agencies requested to participate in the NEPA process. To adequately involve the public, both a

public information meeting and a public hearing were conducted in the local area. Completed the NEPA process in approximately one year, fastest for TDOT.

Federal Railroad Administration Categorical Exclusion for TIGER Grant for Railroad Bridge Replacement, IN.

Prepared Categorical Exclusion for historic bridge replacement partially funded from a TIGER grant. Categorical Exclusion was prepared for a private railroad for submission to the Federal Railroad Administration. A Memorandum of Agreement was developed between the US Army Corps of Engineers, State Historic Preservation Office, and the railroad to document the replacement of the historic bridge.

140-Mile Virginia Rail Expansion (VRE) Project, Virginia.

Managed cultural resources and environmental constraints analysis for proposed 140-mile expansion project. Oversaw archival and field studies to identify historic and ecological resources within areas of potential effect. Identified NEPA categorical exclusions that could apply to sections of the project area to speed the permitting process.

Third Party Review of Tier I EIS Process for Empire Corridor High Speed Rail Corridor, New York.

For a private railroad company, reviewed Tier I EIS process for the 463-mile Empire Corridor for High Speed Rail from New York City to Niagara Falls. Provided recommendations and position paper on Draft Tier I EIS process and opportunities for the railroad company to participate in the NEPA process both formally and informally. Evaluated potential impacts to railroad operations of an additional track for high speed rail.

Third Party Review of Tier II EIS for Southeast High-Speed Rail Corridor, Richmond, VA to Raleigh, NC.

For a private railroad company, reviewed Draft Tier II EIS for the Southeast High-Speed Rail Corridor and provided recommendations and comments on Draft Tier II EIS document and potential impacts to railroad operations.

Environmental Studies and Categorical Exclusion for KY 32, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Lawrence County, Kentucky.

Project Manager for the environmental studies for KY 32 in Lawrence County, KY. Prepared a Categorical Exclusion and Programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation for minor impacts to two historic sites. Identified potential onsite mitigation opportunities for approximately 3,000 feet of stream channel changes. Historic sites, a cemetery, and residential relocations were concerns.

Third Party Review of Tier I EIS for Atlanta BeltLine Project, GA.

For a private freight railroad company, reviewed Draft Tier I EIS for the proposed Atlanta Beltline Project for potential impacts to railroad operations. Concerns exist that a new transit line, trails, crossings, and designation of the railway line as a historic district would affect existing and future expansions of freight operations and safety. Prepared comments on the Draft Tier I EIS document. Participated in public involvement process, such as attending public meetings and workgroup meetings.

EA / FONSI, US 60 Bypass, Daviess County, Kentucky. Item No. 2-287.00.

Managed preparation of an EA and FONSI as well as baseline studies for this 5.2-mile project. A Citizen Advisory Committee met five times to express area citizen and business views. Wetland, stream, and archaeological site impacts were concerns.

Categorical Exclusion for I-75/I-71 Auxiliary Lanes, Boone County, Kentucky.

For Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, prepared a Categorical Exclusion 3 for adding auxiliary lanes for I-71/I-75 in Boone County. Conducted ecological, air, noise, hazardous materials, and socioeconomic studies. Conducted noise studies and supported preparation of noise analysis. Noise analyses, noise abatement modeling, and noise barrier public meetings were critical to success of project. Noise barriers were determined to be appropriate mitigation for project.

I-69 Strategic Corridor Planning Study (Eddyville to Henderson), Lyon, Caldwell, Hopkins, Webster, and Henderson Counties, Kentucky.

Managed and helped prepare the environmental component for evaluating the 80-mile corridor for an I-69 segment. Identified potential environmental concerns (relocations, environmental justice, conservation areas, and endangered species). Managed aquatic / terrestrial, socioeconomic, hazardous materials / underground storage tank, and air and traffic noise analysis. Identified the regional needs for improving / supporting economic development.

Third Party Review of Socioeconomic Study for I-66 Project (London to Somerset), Pulaski County, Kentucky.

Provided a third-party review for the KYTC for the I-66 socioeconomic study. Evaluated economic and community impacts, potential residential and commercial relocations, environmental justice concerns, land use changes, and farmland impacts for a 40-mile highway project. Identified gaps in the socioeconomic analysis and provided recommendations on how to improve the study. Information from the revised study was incorporated into the EIS.

Technical Reviewer for Bus Maintenance Facility Categorical Exclusion (CE), Transit Authority of River City (TARC), Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Provides quality assurance/quality control for ongoing projects by TARC. For a bus maintenance facility annex on a former Louisville & Nashville Railroad site, analyzed traffic information, bus emission reductions, land use, historic resources, environmental justice concerns, and the potential for hazardous materials/UST contamination. Determined that a CE was appropriate and prepared the documentation which was quickly approved by the FTA.

Environmental Assessment, KY 55 (Heartland Parkway), Adair and Taylor Counties, Kentucky. Item No. 4-124.00.

Technical reviewer for preparation of EA for this 23-mile project. Managed cultural resource studies (archaeological and historic architectural surveys), Section 106 consultation, and Section 4(f) evaluation. Identified sensitive areas such as Tebbs Bend Civil War Battlefield area, Native American mounds, and potential historic sites.

East Market Street Streetscape Categorical Exclusion, Louisville, Kentucky.

For Louisville Downtown Development and Louisville Metro, prepared a categorical exclusion for the East Market Streetscape project. Potential impacts to historic structures in several historic districts were potential concerns that were addressed with coordination with the Kentucky Heritage Council.

Statewide Programmatic Agreement for Historic Timber Railroad Bridges, Georgia.

For a private client, worked with United States Army Corps of Engineers and State Historic Preservation Office to develop a statewide programmatic agreement for the replacement and repair of historic timber railroad bridges throughout Georgia. The programmatic agreement covered more than 300 bridges across the state.

United States Fish and Wildlife

Multi-State NiSource Habitat Conservation Plan Environmental Impact Statement, United States Fish and Wildlife Service and United States Forest Service, 14 States.

Supported development of an EIS for a habitat conservation plan and incidental take permit to cover 15,000 miles of pipeline in 14 states for the USFWS, USFS, FERC, USACE, and NPS. The EIS addressed unique subject matter and legal and regulatory concerns due to the large area covered and 43 threatened and endangered species considered. The Project crossed Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. Supported technical reviews, socioeconomic analysis, cumulative impacts, consultation, and participated in public involvement activities.

Department of Defense

Environmental Assessment for an Army Aviation Support Facility, Boone National Guard Center, Frankfort, Kentucky.

For the Kentucky Army National Guard, prepared an environmental assessment for a 30-acre proposed replacement site for the army aviation support facility which included maintenance facilities and a wash station. Evaluated potential noise impacts of helicopters taking off and landing at the facility and the cumulative noise impacts due to adjacent airport. Adjusted EA analysis to constantly changing project location. The site was in a karst area so potential impacts from subsidence and groundwater contamination were considered.

Environmental Assessment for Multi-Purpose Machine Gun Range, Indiana Army National Guard, Camp Atterbury, Indiana.

At the Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center in Indiana (approximately 33,100 acres), Preparing an environmental assessment for a multipurpose machine gun range. Assessed potential environmental impacts, including cumulative impacts, of short-range site plans and long-range plans for developing and managing the installation. Reviewed existing site studies and worked closely with facility staff to analyze plans and potential effects. Worked closely with client and design team to minimize impacts to forested wetlands, streams, and floodplains. Evaluated socioeconomic and land use impacts from creation of new training areas on the facility and nearby communities. Coordinated with federal and state resource agencies.

Environmental Assessment and Public Involvement, Muscatatuck Urban Training Center, Indiana. At the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center, supported the development of an environmental assessment for a new urban warfare and homeland security training center. Responsible for preparing portions of the Affected Environment and Environmental Impact sections for the EA. The Muscatatuck Urban Training Center (MUTC) would provide a new center for required urban assault and homeland security training at the former Muscatatuck State Development Center in Butlerville, Indiana. The MUTC would provide an urban training center to serve the wartime mission and combat readiness goals of military units as well as civilian homeland security and natural disaster response training needs. Natural resources on the proposed site include Pleasant Run, North Vernon Muscatatuck River, the Brush Creek Reservoir, and forested and non-forested lands. Preservation of historic structures was a significant concern. Prepared outreach materials and participated in public meetings.

Statewide Integrated Wildland Fire Management Plans (IWFMPs), Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, and West Virginia.

For the National Guard, managed preparation of statewide IWFMPs for training sites in multiple states. The IWFMPs developed programs to reduce wildfire potential; protect and enhance natural and cultural resources; preserve infrastructure and facilities; and promote safety. The IWFMPs examined the historical role of fire within and in the vicinity of installations; identified current ignition and fuel sources; and addressed fire training requirements and safety considerations including unexploded ordinance (UXO) and live fire areas. The IWFMPs recommended wildland fire prevention and

suppression measures, as well as prescribed burn management and site-specific burn plans. EAs were prepared for each IWFMP.

Integrated Natural Resources Management Plans (INRMPs) at Wendell H. Ford Regional Training Center (WHFRTC), Disney Training Center (DTC), and Hidden Valley Training Site (HVTS) and an Environmental Assessment (EA) for Training Operations at WHFRTC, Kentucky.

Managed two Environmental Assessments, three INRMPs, three Forest Management Plans (FMPs), and a state-wide Integrated Wildland Fire Management Plan (IWFMP) for three training sites. Worked closely with the KYARNG, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) as well as other federal, state, and local agencies with an interest in the management of natural resources. Also, evaluated approximately 3,000 acres of new maneuver training areas added to the Training Center for potential impacts to the environment of planned training activities.

NEPA and Planning Support to West Virginia Army National Guard, West Virginia.

Project Manager for environmental assessments for the West Virginia Army National Guard related to training areas, firing ranges, urban training centers, demolition ranges, readiness centers/armories, and army aviation facilities. Managed preparation of environmental assessments, land use plans, integrated natural resource management plans, forest management plans and endangered species management plans.

Indiana Bat Programmatic Biological Assessment, Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center, Indiana Army National Guard, Edinburgh, Indiana.

Oversaw the preparation of a programmatic Biological Assessment (BA) and associated formal consultation process with the US Fish & Wildlife Services regarding effects on Indiana Bats with respect to future routine training and land management activities and upcoming development projects at the approximately 33,132-acre Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center. The BA was prepared in close coordination with the USFWS Bloomington Field Office. The programmatic BA will streamline the consultation process and reduce administrative costs for the INARNG and USFWS.

Programmatic Biological Assessment for the Indiana Bat, Northern Long-eared Bat, and Gray Bat, U.S. Air Force Arnold Air Force Base, Tennessee.

Managed development of a programmatic biological assessment of routine training, land management, and Elk River Dam operations at the 39,000-acre Arnold Air Force Base in Tennessee. Potential adverse effects could result from timber management, prescribed fire, tree clearing during summer roadside maintenance activities, hazardous tree removal, range operations, wildfires, or emergency repairs/inspections at the dam. The proposed action may affect, and is likely to adversely affect Indiana bats, northern long-eared bats, and gray bats that use habitat within/near the Arnold Air Force Base.

Training Site Master Plan, Camp Dawson, West Virginia. Managed preparation of a conceptual master plan for the Camp Dawson Cantonment Area and the Volkstone Training Area. The conceptual master plan assisted in setting strategic goals for the mission and vision of the base, and is the starting point for a more detailed Training Facility Master Plan (TFMP) that is underway. The TFMP provides a foundation for the future development of Camp Dawson. Helped identify current conditions, facility and site constraints, and opportunities for enhanced opportunities.

Design, Mitigation, and Geotechnical Services for Modified Record Firing Range, Camp Dawson, West Virginia.

Managed some of the design components of the modified record firing range. Provided technical review of the EA. Helped evaluate alternatives to minimize impacts to stream and wetlands. Managed development of erosion and sedimentation controls and coordination with state and Federal agencies on

mitigation and permitting issues. Oversaw optimization of target elevations to minimize required earthwork and geotechnical evaluations of the access road and range control facilities locations.

EA/FONSI for Armed Forces Reserve Center (AFRC), Buckhannon, West Virginia.

Managing the EA for the Buckhannon AFRC. Conducted a site visit and record search to evaluate potential environmental constraints, such as 100-year floodplains along Brushy Fork Creek. Developed a pdEA that evaluates environmental impacts on a 49-acre site and potential mitigation options for the proposed AFRC. The AFRC will replace a 48-year old armory and provide needed training facilities.

Environmental Assessment and Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for Armed Forces Reserve Center, Elkins, West Virginia.

Managed the preparation of a Phase I Site Assessment and an environmental assessment for an armed forces reserve center on a 112-acre site. The site was a former farm and strip mine site. The Phase I ESA did not identify any evidence of spills or contamination at the site based on a review of historic records, field reconnaissance, and a review of Federal and state databases. Cultural resources, wetlands, and roadway access were concerns.

Ripley Joint Armed Forces Reserve Center (JAFRC) Planning Charrette, Ripley, West Virginia.

Managed a three-day planning charrette for the proposed Ripley JAFRC. The purpose of the planning charrette was to conduct a fact-finding mission and to have discussions on the project details with key installation stake holders and to review the 1391 construction cost estimate. The planning report outlined the findings of the charrette and outlined next steps for the project.

Briery Mountain Range Development Plan EA, Camp Dawson, West Virginia.

Managed the EA for three proposed Briery Mountain Training Area ranges which include a Live Fire Breach Facility (LFBF), Hand Grenade Familiarization Range, and an Urban Assault Course (UAC). Coordinated with WVARNG to evaluate potential constraints, such as stream impacts, and to avoid and minimize environmental impacts.

Water Resources Management Plan, Camp Dawson, West Virginia.

Project Manager. Managed the preparation of a water resources management plan for the West Virginia Army National Guard for Camp Dawson (approximately 3,797 acres). Assessed current availability of data regarding Camp Dawson water resources including the Cheat River, streams and numerous tributaries. Conducted site visits and recommended management goals for surface water, wetlands, floodplains, and groundwater resources.

Environmental Assessment for Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) Updates, Marseilles Training Area (MTA), Illinois.

Managed EA for 2,850-acre MTA INRMP. Worked closely with Illinois Army National Guard and Illinois Department of Natural Resources, joint owners of the MTA. The EA evaluated potential environmental impacts of the plans for managing land, forest, aquatic and terrestrial habitat, special areas, fish and wildlife, rare species, pest control, and fire. The project allowed the ILARNG to remain in compliance with Army policy and other federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and to provide for no net loss in the capability of lands to support the military mission. Also, evaluated training plan for the construction and operation of ranges and other training facilities. Covered 15 proposed projects including range expansions, new ranges, live-fire breach facility, anti-tank range, grenade launcher range relocation, live fire shoot house, training support facility development projects, and training area maintenance projects.

Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans (INRMPs), Environmental Assessments and an Endangered Species Management Plan (ESMP), Camp Crowder and Camp Clark Training Sites, MOARNG, Newton and Vernon Counties, Missouri.

Assistant Project Manager. Responsible for preparing two INRMPs and EAs for Camp Crowder and Camp Clark, which are comprised of 4,300 acres and 1,287 acres, respectively. Management Plans revised in this INRMP included land use, forest, aquatic and terrestrial species, special natural areas, fish and wildlife, rare species, pests, and fire.

Joint Land Use Study (JLUS), Camp Atterbury and Muscatatuck Urban Training Center (MUTC) | Bartholomew, Brown, Jennings, and Johnson Counties, Indiana.

Author and Technical Reviewer. Helped prepare the Camp Atterbury and MUTC JLUS, which is a cooperative land use planning effort by communities and military installations to jointly ensure future compatible development. The JLUS involved four south-central Indiana counties; several cities/towns, such as Columbus, Edinburgh, and North Vernon; economic development and regulatory agencies; and the two military installations. After extensive public involvement activities, the JLUS identified compatible land use and growth management guidelines and recommendations, which are now being implemented.

Recreation

Environmental Assessment for Sports Park, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

For the City of Elizabethtown, conducted environmental studies and prepared permit applications for a proposed 200-acre sports complex that includes soccer fields, baseball fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, and hiking trails. Worked with the designer to minimize impacts to environmental resources by shifting trails and parking areas. Managed wetlands delineations, archaeological surveys, Phase I environmental site assessment, and a threatened and endangered species habitat survey. Worked with the USFWS on mitigation for potential impacts to the federally endangered Indiana bat.

Noise Studies for World Shooting and Recreational Complex, Sparta, Illinois - For the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, managed the preparation of noise studies for the development of a 1,600 acre shooting complex in Sparta, Illinois. Environmental assessment was prepared on an expedited schedule so that the Grand American Trapshooting Championships could be held at the complex opening. Evaluated potential noise impacts on adjacent property owners and recommended use of berms to minimize impacts. The site includes 120 trap shooting fields covering 3.5 miles, 24 skeet fields, 2 courses for sporting clays, and archery fields.

Town Branch Trail Environmental Education Sign Project - Using a Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Resources grant, prepared environmental education signs and booklet on fourteen topics associated with Town Branch Creek and its environmental context. The role of water in the environment is a main focus of the project, along with raising awareness about human impacts on ecosystems and ways to reduce those impacts. An exhibit and outreach materials were developed. The environmental sign project exhibit was on display at the state wildlife center for two months. The exhibit has also been displayed at libraries, schools, and the Children's science center. Environmental education signs have been fabricated and placed along the completed sections of the Town Branch Trail.

Environmental Studies for Isaac Murphy Park Development, Lexington, KY. Provided technical oversight of the environmental and cultural resource studies for the Isaac Murphy Memorial Art Garden Project in downtown Lexington. Participated in public archaeology events to promote park and understanding of neighbourhood history. Due to minority and low-income neighbourhoods, environmental justice was a concern.

Southwest Jefferson County Greenways, Louisville Metro Parks Department, Louisville. Supported Louisville Metro Parks Department develop a master plan to create greenways in southwest Jefferson County which will include shared use trails. The study area covers approximately 97 square miles or a quarter of Jefferson County. Identified ways to include cultural resources into the planning process such as historic properties to be destinations or waypoints for the education and benefit of trail users or archaeological sites to avoid. Provided technical review of draft documents and outreach materials.

Pipelines

206-Mile Lobos CO2 Pipeline Project, Kinder Morgan, New Mexico and Arizona.

Assistant ecological team lead supporting wetland and waters of the U.S. delineation, threatened and endangered species studies, and vegetation / habitat assessments in support of permitting for a proposed 206-mile CO2 pipeline to be used in enhanced oil recovery process. Technical reviewer of draft Bureau of Land Management (BLM) plan of development and supporting ecological and cultural documents. Agency coordination includes the BLM, USACE, USFWS, Native American Nations, and state and local regulatory agencies from Arizona and New Mexico.

Cortez Loop Pipeline Extension, Kinder Morgan, New Mexico.

Assistant ecological team lead for 40-mile pipeline extension, four new pump stations and other associated facilities. Ecological, paleontological resources, and cultural resource studies were undertaken for this proposed pipeline extension. Access roads and potential compressor stations and temporary storage areas were evaluated. Agency coordination included the Bureau of Land Management, United States Army Corps of Engineers, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and state and local regulatory agencies.

Supplemental Environmental Assessment for Relocation of a Petroleum Products Pipeline, CSX Transportation, Virginia.

Project manager for developing a supplemental environmental assessment for relocation of a 24-inch petroleum product pipeline due to the addition of 11 miles of a third railroad track. Approximately 3.0 miles of horizontal directional drilling occurred to reduce potential construction impacts to utilities, roads, water bodies and wetlands. Permitting, endangered species and floodplain issues were concerns, and required coordination with local, state, and federal regulatory agencies.

Sparrows Point Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Terminal and Pipeline Project, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Technical reviewer of cultural resource sections for FERC EIS for LNG facility and 88-mile pipeline. Acted as the third-party consultant to FERC for the preparation of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliant documents (the Draft Environmental Impact Statement [DEIS] and the Final EIS) for the LNG facility and related pipelines. The terminal is proposed for Sparrows Point, southeast of Baltimore in Baltimore County, MD and will can unload LNG ships, storing up to 480,000 cubic meters of LNG, vaporizing the LNG, and sending out the natural gas.

Environmental Documentation for Water Pipeline, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Project Manager for environmental studies and documentation for a 10-mile water pipeline for the Transpark Industrial Development. Oversaw cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, hazardous materials, karst, and threatened and endangered species investigations. Cumulative impacts were an issue because of potential impacts of future industrial growth in the area and karst terrain. Permitting and mitigation were concerns due to potential impacts to Mammoth Caves National Park. Public involvement was a key component due to citizen advocacy groups.

Dams and Levees

NRCS Upper Walnut Creek FRD No. 6 and FRD No. 21, Butler County, Kansas.

NEPA Manager for two dam rehabilitation projects, prepared environmental assessments. The projects purposes are to rehabilitate FRD 6 and FRD 21 to meet safety and performance standards for high hazard dams and provide flood water protection to downstream areas. The EAs included the NRCS environmental evaluation worksheet and discussions of threatened and endangered species, wetlands, environmental justice, economic and social conditions, and cultural resources.

NRCS Pine Creek Dam Rehabilitation EA, Oneida, Tennessee.

Technical Reviewer. Supported Pine Creek Dam rehabilitation EA and archaeological and architectural historic surveys. The EA included the NRCS environmental evaluation worksheet and discussions of threatened and endangered species, wetlands, environmental justice, economic and social conditions, and cultural resources. This multi-purpose dam and reservoir project serves as flood control and as the town's primary water supply.

Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) for Two Flood Damage Reduction Projects (Levisa Fork Watershed Section 202 Program), Floyd and Pike Counties, KY.

For the USACE-Huntington District, Project Manager for the preparation of sections for the structural and nonstructural flood damage reduction measures EISs in Floyd and Pike Counties, KY. Major issues included community impacts, environmental justice, cultural resources and terrestrial and aquatic mitigation. Identified concerns about the potential for residential and business relocation, impacts to property values, loss of community cohesion, the potential for induced flooding, hardships from raising residences, impacts to habitat for the Indiana bat, potential loss of tributary streams, and the potential impact of floodwall construction on the riparian corridor. Extensive agency coordination required.

EIS for Flood Damage Reduction, Pike County, Kentucky, Levisa Fork Watershed Section 202 Program. Supported development of Draft EIS assessing impacts of flood damage reduction alternatives within the Levisa Fork Watershed in Pike County, Kentucky for the USACE, Huntington District. Project alternatives include structural and non-structural components. Reviewed Habitat Assessment Procedure (HEP) analysis for terrestrial impacts and a stream assessment for tributaries. Major issues included community impacts, cultural resources, and terrestrial and aquatic mitigation. Project required extensive coordination with U.S. Fish and Wildlife.

Muddy Fork Conservancy District Supplemental EIS, Borden, Indiana.

A Supplemental EIS is being prepared for a new dam to provide additional municipal water supplies, control flooding, and create recreational opportunities. Early steps including reviewing technical and environmental studies to determine data gaps and areas for update. A review of the 1992 FEIS determined that a Supplemental EIS is necessary. Water supply studies were evaluated and revised in coordination with the water utility. The purpose and need section was expanded to include recreational opportunities for the reservoir.

Transmission Lines

Herleman to Meredosia Transmission Line, Ameren, Illinois.

Provided environmental planning support for the proposed 48-mile 345-kV overhead electric transmission line which crosses several named streams including the Illinois River. The Herleman to Meredosia line is part of Ameren's 330-mile Illinois Rivers Transmission Line initiative stretching from Palmyra, Missouri to the Illinois/Indiana state line. Supporting the development of a Conservation Plan in accordance with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) requirements for state-listed threatened and endangered species.

Meredosia to Ipava Transmission Line, Ameren, Illinois.

Provided environmental planning support for the Meredosia to Ipava Transmission Line, Ameren, Illinois. The Meredosia to Ipava line is part of Ameren's 330-mile Illinois Rivers Transmission Line initiative stretching from Palmyra, Missouri to the Illinois/Indiana state line. Supporting the development of a Conservation Plan in accordance with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) requirements for state-listed T&E species.

Maywood to Herleman Transmission Line, Ameren, Missouri and Illinois.

Provided environmental planning support for a proposed 345-kV electric transmission line crossing of the Mississippi River on federal property near Quincy, Illinois. The Maywood to Herlemen line is part of Ameren's 330-mile Illinois Rivers Transmission Line initiative stretching from Palmyra, Missouri to the Illinois/Indiana state line. Supporting the development of a Conservation Plan in accordance with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) requirements for state-listed threatened and endangered species.

United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Nuclear Reactor Operator Examination and Licensing Study, Multiple States. For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, conducted a study of the reactor operator examination and licensing function. Reviewed information collected from 300 written questionnaires. Conducted personal interviews with reactor operators, senior reactor operators, training managers, and plant technical managers at multiple nuclear power facilities, and NRC regional offices.

Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant Third Party EIS for Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Pennsylvania.

As a Senior Planner, prepared Third Party EIS sections for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on land use, transmission lines, cultural resources, cooling tower, and cumulative impacts for a new reactor at the Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant. Conducted site visits and interviews to evaluate existing and changes in land use resulting from the addition of a new reactor and changes to transmission lines. Reviewed the Environmental Report and prepared requests for additional information (RAIs) concerning potential data gaps.

Victoria Station Nuclear Power Plant Third Party EIS for Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Texas.

Senior planner developing land use, transmission line, cultural resource, and cumulative impact sections of a Third Party EIS for the proposed Victoria Station Nuclear Power Plant Project. Evaluated sections of the ER and prepared RAIs. Evaluated existing and changes in land use resulting from the facility and transmission lines.

Environmental Report, Confidential Client, Nuclear License Application Project, Michigan.

Technical reviewer of Socioeconomic sections of the ER for a new medical isotope production facility in the central US. This work is in accordance with the provisions of NUREG 1537 and related laws and regulations and entails the documentation of all socioeconomic baseline characteristics of the project site and vicinity.

Utilities

Electric Power Industry Waste Reduction Activities – For USEPA's WasteWise program, analyzed waste reduction activities at utility generating stations, distribution and transmission facilities, and recovery and warehouse operations, including PG&E facilities. Worked with the Edison Electric Institute to select utilities to profile for waste reduction and recycling activities. Conducted site visits to power plants in 6 states. Profiled PG&E's waste reduction activities at generating stations and distribution facilities; Investment Recovery and Warehouse locations, Fleet Maintenance; and General Office facilities. Life cycle cost analysis, solid waste consulting, employee and public education activities, and measurement

criteria were considered. Developed the Waste Reduction Activities of Selected WasteWise Partners: Electric Power Industry report.

Report to Congress on Fossil Fuel Combustion Waste – Supported USEPA in developing a Report to Congress on Fossil Fuel Combustion Waste. Worked on the technical studies concerning waste characterization, potential damage cases, risk analysis, and groundwater impacts. Evaluated existing federal and state regulatory requirements and cross media impacts of fossil fuel combustion wastes.

Guide for Industrial Nonhazardous Waste Management – For USEPA, helped develop the guide for the management of industrial nonhazardous waste management. The guidance applied to waste managed in surface impoundments, landfills, and land application areas. Worked with the Edison Electric Institute and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) to consider impacts of the guidance on the electric utility industry.

United States Housing and Urban Development

United States Housing and Urban Development Task Force Report on Lead-Based Paint (LBP) Hazard Reduction and Financing, Washington, D.C. For the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, provided support to the Task Force concerning the impacts of liability on LBP hazard reduction and victim compensation. Helped to draft a report and recommendations on reducing LBP hazards to children. Evaluated state requirements for LBP hazard reduction, management of lead-based paint contaminated debris, and state liability standards.

Draft Environmental Assessment for the Museum Plaza High-Rise and Parking Garage, Louisville, Kentucky. Project manager overseeing environmental studies and preparation of an environmental assessment for the proposed Museum Plaza, a new multi-use development in downtown Louisville. The proposed project would consist of a 1.5-million-square-foot, 62-story building containing residential units, office space, a non-profit contemporary art museum, two hotels, and the University of Louisville Master of Fine Arts program, as well as a portion of the university's graduate business school. Floodplain and cultural resource issues were potential concerns. A Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant is anticipated to help support this project and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation is being prepared to comply with HUD's requirements under 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 58.

Other Private Clients

Assessment of Visual, Auditory, and Lighting Effects of RiverPark Place Development on Cultural Resources, Private Client, Louisville, Kentucky.

On an accelerated schedule for a private developer, managed the assessment of potential visual, auditory, and lighting impacts from the waterfront development project on cultural historic resources. The project covered a one-mile Area of Potential Effect (APE) in Kentucky and Indiana. The development will include two 16-story structures surrounded by four 5-story structures for residential/commercial use. Two historic sites and part of a historic district will be adversely visually impacted by the proposed construction. Two historic sites also will be adversely affected by temporary construction noise and noise associated with increased vehicular or watercraft traffic. Worked with Kentucky Heritage Council to prepare an MOA for the project.

Environmental Overview and Phase I ESA for a Proposed Commercial Development, Frankfort, KY.

For a private developer, managed the preparation of a Phase I ESA, environmental overview, wetlands delineation, and an archaeological overview of a 100-acre site near I-64. The site contained an auto body shop and farmland that were evaluated for potential recognized environmental conditions. Coordinated with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet concerning developing a new access point on US127. Held discussions with City of Frankfort planners concerning requirements for site development.

Jefferson Commons, Outer Loop, Louisville, Kentucky.

For a private client, successfully obtained a Section 404 permit on a fast time schedule and managed the wetlands delineation and Phase I archaeological investigation for a development project along the Outer Loop in Louisville, Kentucky. Due to wetland and stream impacts, credits were obtained from a wetlands bank.

Fisherman's Energy Atlantic City Windfarm, New Jersey. Technical reviewer for cultural resource concerns related to National Historic Landmark Lucy the Elephant. Helped evaluate potential visual impacts of offshore wind turbines on listed National Register of Historic Resource. Helped coordinate with New Jersey State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on study needed to determine project would not adversely affect historic resources.

Electric Power Research Institute Bat Mitigation Alternative Manual, Nationwide. For the Electric Power Research Institute, developing a manual to evaluate mitigation alternatives, such as habitat enhancements, artificial roosts, conservation areas and banks, in lieu fee programs, and wetland creation for threatened and endangered bat species affected by utility operations, maintenance, and project activities. Evaluated information from government, non-profit, and commercial resources to identify compensatory mitigation alternatives. Analyzed peer-reviewed literature, data from bat working groups, and communications with regulators and other bat experts. The manual will quickly inform utilities about bat mitigation opportunities using graphic summaries, tables, decision trees, and case studies. As part of the project, developed user-friendly bat fact sheets for distribution to utility clients.

EXHIBIT 12
ATTACHMENT 12.6



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RE: Meade County Solar Project – Property Value Impact Study

Mr. Killenberg

At your request, I have considered the impact of a solar farm proposed to be constructed on approximately 367.39-acres in Meade County, out of a parent tract assemblage of 2,087.10 acres along Stith Valley Road in Guston, Kentucky and Big Spring Road, Vine Grove, Kentucky. Specifically, I have been asked to give my professional opinion on whether the proposed solar farm will have any impact on adjoining property values.

To form an opinion on these issues, I have researched and visited existing and proposed solar farms in Kentucky as well as in other states, researched articles through the Appraisal Institute and other studies, and discussed the likely impact with other real estate professionals. I have not been asked to assign any value to any specific property.

This letter is a limited report of a real property appraisal consulting assignment and subject to the limiting conditions attached to this letter. My client is Community Energy Solar, LLC, represented to me by Mr. Chris Killenberg. The effective date of this consultation is May 20, 2021.

While based in NC, I am also a Kentucky State Certified General Appraiser #5522.

Conclusion

The adjoining properties are well set back from the proposed solar panels and most of the site has good existing landscaping for screening the proposed solar farm. Additional supplemental vegetation is proposed to supplement the areas where the existing trees are insufficient to provide a proper screen.

The matched pair analysis shows no impact on home values due to abutting or adjoining a solar farm as well as no impact to abutting or adjacent vacant residential or agricultural land where the solar farm is properly screened and buffered. The criteria that typically correlates with downward adjustments on property values such as noise, odor, and traffic all indicate that a solar farm is a compatible use for rural/residential transition areas and that it would function in a harmonious manner with this area.

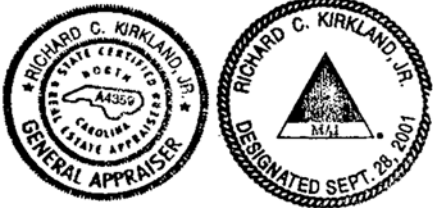
Data from the university studies, broker commentary, and other appraisal studies support a finding of no impact on property value adjoining a solar farm with proper setbacks and landscaped buffers.

Very similar solar farms in very similar areas have been found by hundreds of towns and counties not to have a substantial negative effect to abutting or adjoining properties, and many of those findings of no impact have been upheld by appellate courts. Similar solar farms have been approved with adjoining agricultural uses, schools, churches, and residential developments.

Based on the data and analysis in this report, it is my professional opinion that the solar farm proposed at the subject property will have no impact on the value of adjoining or abutting properties and that the proposed use is in harmony with the area in which it is located.

If you have any further questions please contact me.

Sincerely,



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I. Proposed Project and Adjoining Uses

Proposed Use Description

This solar farm is proposed to be constructed on approximately 367.39-acres in Meade County, out of a parent tract assemblage of 2,087.10 acres along Stith Valley Road in Guston, Kentucky and Big Spring Road, Vine Grove, Kentucky. Adjoining land is a mix of residential and agricultural uses.

Adjoining Properties

I have considered adjoining uses and included a map to identify each parcel's location. The closest adjoining home will be 595 feet from the closest solar panel and the average distance to adjoining homes will be 1,872 feet to the nearest solar panel. Matched pair data presented later in this report shows no impact on home values as close as 105 feet when reasonable visual buffers are provided. These setbacks are much larger than what is typically found and will go beyond what is needed to protect adjoining property values.

The breakdown of those uses by acreage and number of parcels is summarized below. The impact of the one oversized industrial facility is shown in the difference in percentage of adjoining uses by acre and by parcel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	4.66%	47.92%
Agricultural	76.27%	39.58%
Agri/Res	19.07%	12.50%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

Surrounding Uses

#	MAP ID	Owner	GIS Data		Adjoin		Distance (ft)
			Acres	Present Use	Acres	Parcels	Home/Panel
1	11900000130	Hicks	34.40	Agricultural	1.15%	2.08%	N/A
2	1180000002	Stith	398.80	Agricultural	13.34%	2.08%	N/A
3	119000000412	Barnes	9.30	Residential	0.31%	2.08%	4085
4	119000000415	Barnes	13.50	Residential	0.45%	2.08%	N/A
5	119000000402	Boone	1.90	Residential	0.06%	2.08%	1575
6	119000000401	Lee	2.20	Residential	0.07%	2.08%	1355
7	1190000003	Lee	11.00	Residential	0.37%	2.08%	755
8	1190000006	Hager	29.90	Agricultural	1.00%	2.08%	N/A
9	119000001310	Fowler	1.50	Residential	0.05%	2.08%	700
10	1190000011	Scott Co	35.50	Agricultural	1.19%	2.08%	N/A
11	1190000012	Scott LLC	1.10	Residential	0.04%	2.08%	1290
12	130000010	Ballman	189.60	Agri/Res	6.34%	2.08%	3775
13	130000012	Hobbs	146.40	Agricultural	4.90%	2.08%	N/A
14	13000001201	Hobbs	155.30	Agricultural	5.19%	2.08%	N/A
15	13000001210	Hobbs	1.20	Residential	0.04%	2.08%	3045
16	130000013	Hager	1.30	Residential	0.04%	2.08%	2795
17	13000001201	Hobbs	0.40	Residential	0.01%	2.08%	N/A
18	141000000920	Hobbs	22.60	Agri/Res	0.76%	2.08%	2615
19	141000012	Clarkson	6.10	Residential	0.20%	2.08%	1830
20	141000014	Hobbs	115.70	Agricultural	3.87%	2.08%	N/A
21	14200001301	Phillips	37.50	Agricultural	1.25%	2.08%	N/A
22	1420000013	Humphrey	52.70	Agri/Res	1.76%	2.08%	2875
23	142000001405	Crosslin	26.70	Agri/Res	0.89%	2.08%	2560
24	131000018	Straney LLC	211.40	Agricultural	7.07%	2.08%	N/A
25	1310000017	Clarkson	106.00	Agricultural	3.55%	2.08%	N/A
26	131000001901	Phillips	1.10	Residential	0.04%	2.08%	1100
27	1310000004	Wade	8.40	Residential	0.28%	2.08%	750
28	131000000301	Gohl LLC	18.20	Residential	0.61%	2.08%	N/A
29	131000000201	Kasey	135.90	Agricultural	4.55%	2.08%	N/A
30	13100000002	Hager	1.10	Residential	0.04%	2.08%	595
31	13100000202	Kasey	37.30	Agricultural	1.25%	2.08%	N/A
32	1310000005	Robinson	4.70	Residential	0.16%	2.08%	825
33	131000007	Patterson	5.00	Residential	0.17%	2.08%	875
34	131000006	Ammons	13.40	Residential	0.45%	2.08%	1130
35	131000009	Presley	5.60	Residential	0.19%	2.08%	1495
36	1310000011	Embrey	13.60	Residential	0.45%	2.08%	1625
37	1210000002	Clarkson	376.40	Agricultural	12.59%	2.08%	N/A
38	15623c	Lucas	53.30	Agricultural	1.78%	2.08%	N/A
39	12000000426	Sipes	246.30	Agricultural	8.24%	2.08%	N/A
40	120000006	Stith LLC	16.10	Residential	0.54%	2.08%	N/A

#	MAP ID	Owner	GIS Data		Adjoin		Adjoin	Distance (ft)
			Acres	Present Use	Acres	Parcels	Home/Panel	
41	120000005	Ayer	79.40	Agricultural	2.66%	2.08%	N/A	
42	119000016	Ditto	167.90	Agri/Res	5.62%	2.08%	2155	
43	119000019	Ballman	19.00	Agricultural	0.64%	2.08%	N/A	
44	11900001901	Ballman	1.00	Residential	0.03%	2.08%	670	
45	11900000170	Thomason	34.60	Agricultural	1.16%	2.08%	N/A	
46	11900000150	Thomason	27.40	Agricultural	0.92%	2.08%	N/A	
47	11900000140	Sipes	110.60	Agri/Res	3.70%	2.08%	3115	
48	11900000101	Scovill	1.70	Residential	0.06%	2.08%	3220	
Total			2990.000		100.00%	100.00%	1,872	

II. Methodology and Discussion of Issues

Standards and Methodology

I conducted this analysis using the standards and practices established by the Appraisal Institute and that conform to the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. The analyses and methodologies contained in this report are accepted by all major lending institutions, and they are used in Kentucky and across the country as the industry standard by certified appraisers conducting appraisals, market analyses, or impact studies and are considered adequate to form an opinion of the impact of a land use on neighboring properties. These standards and practices have also been accepted by the courts at the trial and appellate levels and by federal courts throughout the country as adequate to reach conclusions about the likely impact a use will have on adjoining or abutting properties.

The aforementioned standards compare property uses in the same market and generally within the same calendar year so that fluctuating markets do not alter study results. Although these standards do not require a linear study that examines adjoining property values before and after a new use (e.g. a solar farm) is developed, some of these studies do in fact employ this type of analysis. Comparative studies, as used in this report, are considered an industry standard.

The type of analysis employed is a Matched Pair Analysis or Paired Sales Analysis. This methodology is outlined in **The Appraisal of Real Estate**, Twelfth Edition by the Appraisal Institute pages 438-439. It is further detailed in **Real Estate Damages**, Third Edition, pages 33-36 by Randall Bell PhD, MAI. Paired sales analysis is used to support adjustments in appraisal work for factors ranging from the impact of having a garage, golf course view, or additional bedrooms. It is an appropriate methodology for addressing the question of impact of an adjoining solar farm. The paired sales analysis is based on the theory that when two properties are in all other respects equivalent, a single difference can be measured to indicate the difference in price between them. Dr. Bell describes it as comparing a test area to control areas. In the example provided by Dr. Bell he shows five paired sales in the test area compared to 1 to 3 sales in the control areas to determine a difference. I have used 3 sales in the control areas in my analysis for each sale developed into a matched pair.

Determining what is an External Obsolescence

An external obsolescence is a use of property that, because of its characteristics, might have a negative impact on the value of adjacent or nearby properties because of identifiable impacts. Determining whether a use would be considered an external obsolescence requires a study that isolates that use, eliminates any other causing factors, and then studies the sales of nearby versus distant comparable properties. The presence of one or a combination of key factors does not mean the use will be an external obsolescence, but a combination of these factors tend to be present when market data reflects that a use is an external obsolescence.

External obsolescence is evaluated by appraisers based on several factors. These factors include but are not limited to:

- 1) Traffic. Solar Farms are not traffic generators.
- 2) Odor. Solar farms do not produce odor.
- 3) Noise. Solar farms generate no noise concerns and are silent at night.
- 4) Environmental. Solar farms do not produce toxic or hazardous waste. Grass is maintained underneath the panels so there is minimal impervious surface area.

5) Appearance/Viewshed. This is the one area that potentially applies to solar farms. However, solar farms are generally required to provide significant setbacks and landscaping buffers to address that concern. Furthermore, any consideration of appearance of viewshed impacts has to be considered in comparison with currently allowed uses on that site. For example if a residential subdivision is already an allowed use, the question becomes in what way does the appearance impact adjoining property owners above and beyond the appearance of that allowed subdivision or other similar allowed uses.

6) Other factors. I have observed and studied many solar farms and have never observed any characteristic about such facilities that prevents or impedes neighbors from fully using their homes or farms or businesses for the use intended.

Relative Solar Farm Sizes

Solar farms have been increasing in size in recent years. Much of the data collected is from existing, older solar farms of smaller size, but there are numerous examples of sales adjoining 75 to 80 MW facilities that show a similar trend as the smaller solar farms. This is understandable given that the primary concern relative to a solar farm is the appearance or view of the solar farm, which is typically addressed through setbacks and landscaping buffers. The relevance of data from smaller solar farms to larger solar farms is due to the primary question being one of appearance. IF the solar farm is properly screened, then little of the solar farm would be seen from adjoining property regardless of how many acres are involved.

Larger solar farms are often set up in sections where any adjoining owner would only be able to see a small section of the project even if there were no landscaping screen. Once a landscaping screen is in place, the primary view is effectively the same whether you adjoining a 5 MW, 20 MW or 100 MW facility.

I have split out the data for the matched pairs adjoining larger solar farms only to illustrate the similarities later in this report.

Steps Involved in the Analysis

The paired sales analysis employed in this report follows the following process:

1. Identify sales of property adjoining existing solar farms.
2. Compare those sales to similar property that does not adjoin an existing solar farm.
3. Confirmation of sales are noted in the analysis write ups.
4. Distances from the homes to panels are included as a measure of the setbacks.
5. Topographic differences across the solar farms themselves are likewise noted along with demographic data for comparing similar areas.

There are a number of Sale/Resale comparables included in the write ups, but most of the data shown is for sales of homes after a solar farm has been announced (where noted) or after a solar farm has been constructed.

III. Research on Solar Farms

A. *Appraisal Market Studies*

I have also considered a number of impact studies completed by other appraisers as detailed below.

CohnReznick – Property Value Impact Study: Adjacent Property Values Solar Impact Study: A Study of Eight Existing Solar Facilities

Patricia McGarr, MAI, CRE, FRICS, CRA and Andrew R. Lines, MAI with CohnReznick completed an impact study for a proposed solar farm in Cheboygan County, Michigan completed on June 10, 2020. I am familiar with this study as well as a number of similar such studies completed by CohnReznick. I have not included all of these studies but I submit this one as representative of those studies.

This study addresses impacts on value from eight different solar farms in Michigan, Minnesota, Indiana, Illinois, Virginia and North Carolina. These solar farms are 19.6 MW, 100 MW, 11.9 MW, 23 MW, 71 MW, 61 MW, 40 MW, and 19 MW for a range from 11.9 MW to 100 MW with an average of 31 MW and a median of 31.5 MW. They analyzed a total of 24 adjoining property sales in the Test Area and 81 comparable sales in the Control Area over a five-year period.

The conclusion of this study is that there is no evidence of any negative impact on adjoining property values based on sales prices, conditions of sales, overall marketability, potential for new development or rate of appreciation.

Christian P. Kaila & Associates – Property Impact Analysis – Proposed Solar Power Plant Guthrie Road, Stuarts Draft, Augusta County, Virginia

Christian P. Kaila, MAI, SRA and George J. Finley, MAI developed an impact study as referenced above dated June 16, 2020. This was for a proposed 83 MW facility on 886 acres.

Mr. Kaila interviewed appraisers who had conducted studies and reviewed university studies and discussed the comparable impacts of other development that was allowed in the area for a comparative analysis of other impacts that could impact viewshed based on existing allowed uses for the site. He also discussed in detail the various other impacts that could cause a negative impact and how solar farms do not have such characteristics.

Mr. Kaila also interviewed County Planners and Real Estate Assessor's in eight different Virginia counties with none of the assessor's identifying any negative impacts observed for existing solar projects.

Mr. Kaila concludes on a finding of no impact on property values adjoining the indicated solar farm.

Fred Beck, MAI, CCIM – Impact Analysis in Lincoln County 2013

Mr. Fred Beck, MAI, CCIM completed an impact analysis in 2013 for a proposed solar farm that concluded on a negative impact on value. That report relied on a single cancelled contract for an adjoining parcel where the contracted buyers indicated that the solar farm was the reason for the cancellation. It also relied on the activities of an assessment impact that was applied in a nearby county.

Mr. Beck was interviewed as part of the Christian Kalia study noted above. From that I quote "Mr. Beck concluded on no effect on moderate priced homes, and only a 5% change in his limited research of higher priced homes. His one sale that fell through is hardly a reliable sample. It also was misleading on Mr. Beck's part to report the lower re-assessments since the primary cause of the

re-assessments were based on the County Official, who lived adjacent to the solar farm, appeal to the assessor for reductions with his own home.” In that re-assessment situation in the Clay County case study that Mr. Beck cited for the Lincoln County project, the noted lack of lot sales after announcement of the solar farm also coincided with the recession in 2008/2009 and lack of lot sales effectively defined that area during that time.

I was present at the hearing where Mr. Beck presented these findings and the predominance of his argument before the Lincoln County Board of Commissioner’s was based on the one cancelled sale as well as a matched pair analysis of high-end homes adjoining a four-story call center. He hypothesized that a similar impact from that example could be compared to being adjacent solar farm without explaining the significant difference in view, setbacks, landscaping, traffic, light, and noise. Furthermore, Mr. Beck did have matched pairs adjoining a solar farm in his study that he put in the back of his report and then ignored as they showed no impact on property value.

Also noted in the Christian Kalia interview notes is a response from Mr. Beck indicating that in his opinion “the homes were higher priced homes and had full view of the solar farm.” Based on a description of screening so that “the solar farm would not be in full view to adjoining property owners. Mr. Beck said in that case, he would not see any drop in property value.”

NorthStar Appraisal Company – Impact Analysis for Nichomus Run Solar, Pilesgrove, NJ, September 16, 2020

Mr. William J. Sapio, MAI with NorthStar Appraisal Company considered a matched pair analysis for the potential impact on adjoining property values to this proposed 150 MW solar farm. Mr. Sapio considered sales activity in a subdivision known as Point of Woods in South Brunswick Township and identified two recent new homes that were constructed and sold adjoining a 13 MW solar farm and compared them to similar homes in that subdivision that did not adjoin the solar farm. These homes sold in the \$1,290,450 to \$1,336,613 price range and these homes were roughly 200 feet from the closest solar panel.

Based on this analysis, he concluded that the adjoining solar farm had no impact on adjoining property value.

Conclusion of Impact Studies

Of the four studies noted two included actual sales data to derive an opinion of no impact on value. The only study to conclude on a negative impact was the Fred Beck study based on no actual sales data, and he has since indicated that with landscaping screens he would not conclude on a negative impact.

I have relied on these studies as additional support for the findings in this impact analysis.

B. Articles

I have also considered a number of articles on this subject as well as conclusions and analysis as noted below.

Farm Journal Guest Editor, March 22, 2021 – Solar’s Impact on Rural Property Values

Andy Ames, ASFMRA (American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers) published this article that includes a discussion of his survey of appraisers and studies on the question of property value related to solar farms. He discusses the university studies that I have cited as well as Patricia McGarr, MAI.

He also discusses the findings of Donald A. Fisher, ARA, who served six years at the Chair of the ASFMRA’s National Appraisal Review Committee. He is also the Executive Vice President of the CNY

Pomeroy Appraiser and has conducted several market studies on solar farms and property impact. He is quoted in the article as saying, "Most of the locations were in either suburban or rural areas, and all of those studies found either a neutral impact, or ironically, a positive impact, where values on properties after installation of solar farms went up higher than time trends."

Howard Halderman, AFM, President and CEO of Halderman Real Estate and Farm Management attended the ASFMRA solar talk hosted by the Indiana Chapter of the ASFMRA and he concludes that other rural properties would likely see no impact and farmers and landowners shown even consider possible benefits. "In some cases, farmers who rent land to a solar company will insure the viability of their farming operation for a longer time period. This makes them better long-term tenants or land buyers so one can argue that higher rents and land values will follow due to the positive impact the solar leases offer."

National Renewable Energy Laboratory – Top Five Large-Scale Solar Myths, February 3, 2016

Megan Day reports from NREL regarding a number of concerns neighbors often express. Myth #4 regarding property value impacts addresses specifically the numerous studies on wind farms that show no impact on property value and that solar farms have a significantly reduced visual impact from wind farms. She highlights that the appearance can be addressed through mitigation measures to reduce visual impacts of solar farms through vegetative screening. Such mitigations are not available to wind farms given the height of the windmills and again, those studies show no impact on value adjoining wind farms.

North Carolina State University: NC Clean Energy Technology Center White Paper: Balancing Agricultural Productivity with Ground-Based Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Development (Version 2), May 2019

Tommy Cleveland and David Sarkisian wrote a white paper for NCSU NC Clean Energy Technology Center regarding the potential impacts to agricultural productivity from a solar farm use. I have interviewed Tommy Cleveland on numerous occasions and I have also heard him speak on these issues at length as well. He addresses many of the common questions regarding how solar farms work and a detailed explanation of how solar farms do not cause significant impacts on the soils, erosion and other such concerns. This is a heavily researched paper with the references included.

North Carolina State University: NC Clean Energy Technology Center White Paper: Health and Safety Impacts of Solar Photovoltaics, May 2017

Tommy Cleveland wrote a white paper for NCSU NC Clean Energy Technology Center regarding the health and safety impacts to address common questions and concerns related to solar farms. This is a heavily researched white paper addressing questions ranging from EMFs, fire safety, as well as vegetation control and the breakdown of how a solar farm works.

C. *Broker Commentary*

In the process of working up the matched pairs used later in this report, I have collected comments from brokers who have actually sold homes adjoining solar farms indicating that the solar farm had no impact on the marketing, timing, or sales price for the adjoining homes. I have comments from 12 such brokers within this report including brokers from Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee, and North Carolina.

I have additional commentary from other states including New Jersey and Michigan that provide the same conclusion.

IV. University Studies

I have also considered the following studies completed by four different universities related to solar farms and impacts on property values.

A. **University of Texas at Austin, May 2018**

An Exploration of Property-Value Impacts Near Utility-Scale Solar Installations

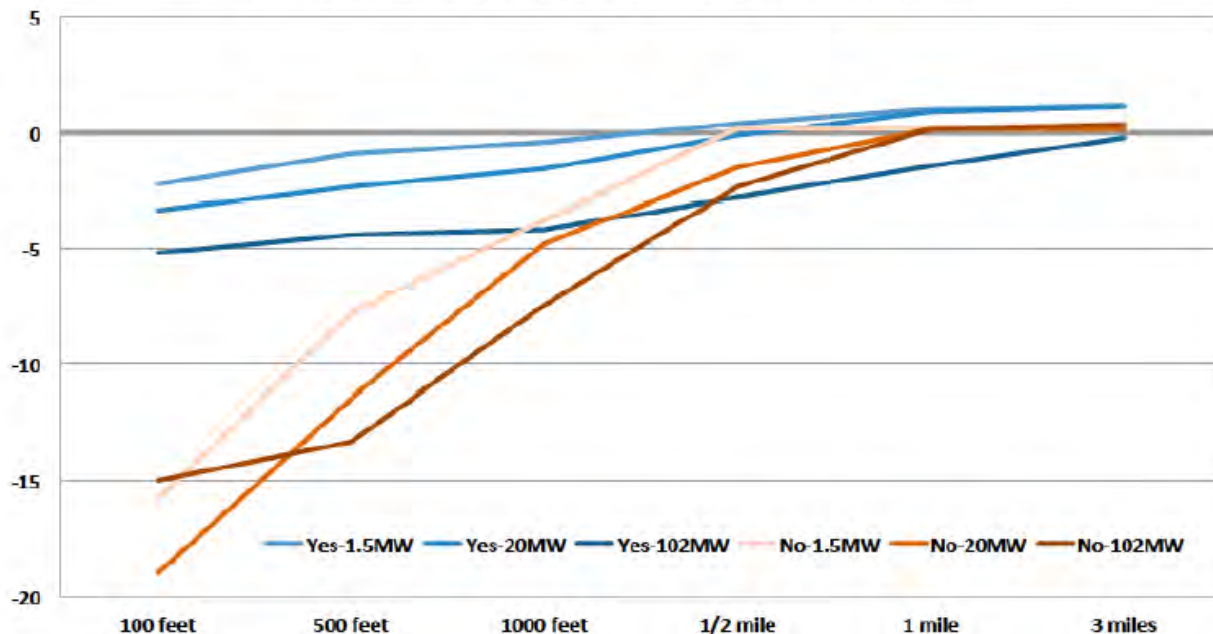
This study considers solar farms from two angles. First it looks at where solar farms are being located and concludes that they are being located primarily in low density residential areas where there are fewer homes than in urban or suburban areas.

The second part is more applicable in that they conducted a survey of appraisers/assessors on their opinions of the possible impacts of proximity to a solar farm. They consider the question in terms of size of the adjoining solar farm and how close the adjoining home is to the solar farm. I am very familiar with this part of the study as I was interviewed by the researchers multiple times as they were developing this. One very important question that they ask within the survey is very illustrative. They asked if the appraiser being surveyed had ever appraised a property next to a solar farm. There is a very noticeable divide in the answers provided by appraisers who have experience appraising property next to a solar farm versus appraisers who self-identify as having no experience or knowledge related to that use.

On Page 16 of that study they have a chart showing the responses from appraisers related to proximity to a facility and size of the facility, but they separate the answers as shown below with appraisers with experience in appraising properties next to a solar farm shown in blue and those inexperienced shown in brown. Even within 100 feet of a 102 MW facility the response from experienced appraisers were -5% at most on impact. While inexperienced appraisers came up with significantly higher impacts. This chart clearly shows that an uninformed response widely diverges from the sales data available on this subject.

Chart B.2 - Estimates of Property Value Impacts (%) by Size of Facility, Distance, & Respondent Type

Have you assessed a home near a utility-scale solar installation?



Furthermore, the question cited above does not consider any mitigating factors such as landscaping buffers or screens which would presumably reduce the minor impacts noted by experienced appraisers on this subject.

The conclusion of the researchers is shown on Page 23 indicated that “Results from our survey of residential home assessors show that the majority of respondents believe that proximity to a solar installation has either no impact or a positive impact on home values.”

This analysis supports the conclusion of this report that the data supports no impact on adjoining property values.

B. University of Rhode Island, September 2020
Property Value Impacts of Commercial-Scale Solar Energy in Massachusetts and Rhode Island

The University of Rhode Island published a study entitled **Property Value Impacts of Commercial-Scale Solar Energy in Massachusetts and Rhode Island** on September 29, 2020 with lead researchers being Vasundhara Gaur and Corey Lang. I have read that study and interviewed Mr. Corey Lang related to that study. This study is often cited by opponents of solar farms but the findings of that study have some very specific caveats according to the report itself as well as Mr. Lang from the interview.

While that study does state in the Abstract that they found depreciation of homes within 1-mile of a solar farm, that impact is limited to non-rural locations. On Pages 16-18 of that study under Section 5.3 Heterogeneity in treatment effect they indicate that the impact that they found was limited to non-rural locations with the impact in rural locations effectively being zero. For the study they defined "rural" as a municipality/township with less than 850 population per square mile.

They further tested the robustness of that finding and even in areas up to 2,000 population per square mile they found no statistically significant data to suggest a negative impact. They have not specifically defined a point at which they found negative impacts to begin, as the sensitivity study stopped checking at the 2,000-population dataset.

Where they did find negative impacts was in high population density areas that was largely a factor of running the study in Massachusetts and Rhode Island which the study specifically cites as being the 2nd and 3rd most population dense states in the USA. Mr. Lang in conversation as well as in recorded presentations has indicated that the impact in these heavily populated areas may reflect a loss in value due to the scarce greenery in those areas and not specifically related to the solar farm itself. In other words, any development of that site might have a similar impact on property value.

So based on this study I have checked the population for the Flaherty Census County Division (CCD) the census subdivision for this portion of Meade County Kentucky has a population density of 139 population per square mile which puts this well below the threshold indicated by the Rhode Island Study.

I therefore conclude that the Rhode Island Study supports the indication of no impact on adjoining properties for the proposed solar farm project.

C. Master’s Thesis: ECU by Zachary Dickerson July 2018

A Solar Farm in My Backyard? Resident Perspectives of Utility-Scale Solar in Eastern North Carolina

This study was completed as part of a Master of Science in Geography Master’s Thesis by Zachary Dickerson in July 2018. This study sets out to address three questions:

1. Are there different aspects that affect resident satisfaction regarding solar farms?
2. Are there variations in satisfaction for residents among different geographic settings, e.g. neighborhoods adjacent to the solar farms or distances from the solar farms?
3. How can insight from both the utility and planning sectors, combined with knowledge gained from residents, fill gaps in communication and policy writing in regard to solar farms?

This was done through survey and interview with adjacent and nearby neighbors of existing solar farms. The positive to neutral comments regarding the solar farms were significantly higher than negative. The researcher specifically indicates on Page 46 “The results show that respondents generally do not believe the solar farms pose a threat to their property values.”

The most negative comments regarding the solar farms were about the lack of information about the approval process and the solar farm project prior to construction.

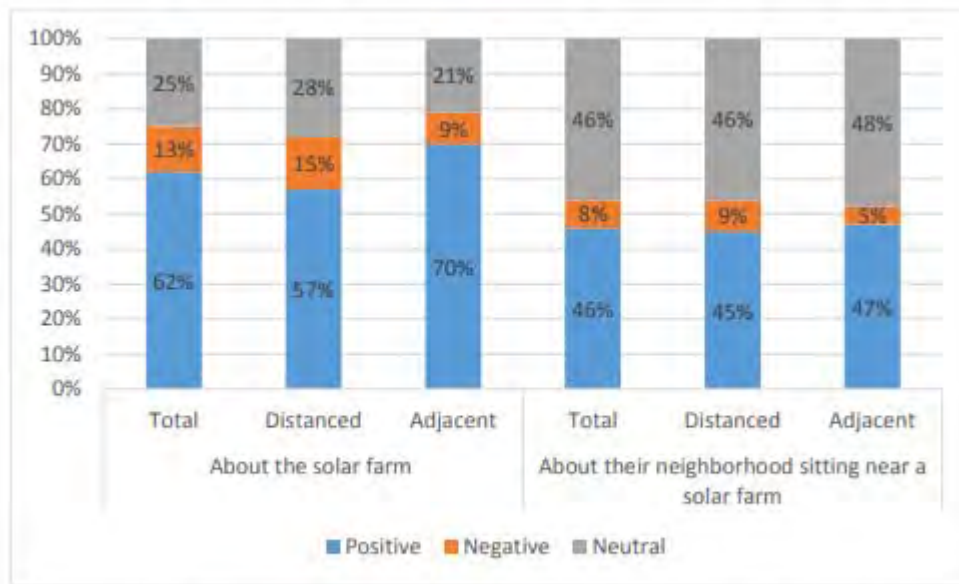


Figure 11: Residents' positive/negative word choices by geographic setting for both questions

V. Summary of Solar Projects in Kentucky

I have researched the constructed and operating solar projects in Kentucky. I identified the solar farms through the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA) Major Projects List and then excluded the roof mounted facilities. This leaves only six solar farms in Kentucky for analysis at this time.

One of these six solar farms has limited analysis potential: E.W. Brown near Harrodsburg in Mercer County. The E. W. Brown 10 MW solar farm was built in 2014 and adjoins three coal-fired units. Given that research studies that I have read regarding fossil fuel power plants including “The Effect of Power Plants on Local Housing Values and Rents” by Lucas W. Davis and published May 2010, it would not be appropriate to use any data from this solar farm due to the influence of the coal-fired power plant that could have an impact on up to a one-mile radius. I note that the closest home to a solar panel at this site is 565 feet and the average distance is 1,026 feet. The homes are primarily clustered at the Herrington Lake frontage. Recent sales in this area range from \$164,000 to \$212,000 for these waterfront homes. Again, no usable data can be derived from this solar farm due to the adjoining coal fired plant.

Furthermore, the Cooperative solar farm in Shelby County is a 0.5 MW facility on 35 acres built in 2020 that is proposed to eventually be 4 MW. This project is too new and there have been no home sales adjoining this facility. I also cannot determine how close the nearby homes are to the adjoining solar panels as the aerial imagery does not yet show these panels.

I have provided a summary of projects below and additional detailed information on the projects on the following pages. I specifically note the similarity in most of the sites in Kentucky in terms of mix of adjoining uses, topography, and distances to adjoining homes.

The number of solar farms currently in operation in Kentucky is low compared to a number of other states and North Carolina in particular. I have looked at solar farms in Kentucky for sales activity, but the small number of sites coupled with the relatively short period of time these solar farms have been in place has not provided as many examples of sales adjoining a solar farm as I am able to pull from other places. I have therefore also considered sales in other states, but I have shown in the summary how the demographics around the solar farms in other locations relate to the demographics around the proposed solar farm to show that generally similar locations are being considered. The similarity of the sites in terms of adjoining uses and surrounding demographics makes it reasonable to compare the lack of significant impacts in other areas would translate into a similar lack of significant impacts at the subject site.

Parcel #	State	County	City	Name	Output (MW)	Total Acres	Used Acres	Avg. Dist to home	Closest Home	Adjoining Use by Acre				Adjoining Use by Number					
										Res	Agri	Agri/Res	Com	Resider	Agricul	Comm	Ind %		
610	KY	Warren	Bowling Green	Bowling Green	2	17.36	17.36	720	720	1%	64%	0%	36%	100%	10%	30%	60%	100%	
611	KY	Clark	Winchester	Cooperative Solar I	8.5	181.47	63	2,110	2,040	0%	96%	3%	0%	100%	22%	78%	0%	100%	
612	KY	Kenton	Walton	Walton 2	2	58.03	58.03	891	120	21%	0%	60%	19%	100%	65%	0%	35%	100%	
613	KY	Grant	Crittenden	Crittenden	2.7	181.7	34.1	1,035	345	22%	27%	51%	0%	100%	96%	4%	0%	100%	
617	KY	Metcalf	Summer Shade	Glover Creek		968.2	322.4	1,731	375	6%	25%	69%	0%	100%	83%	17%	0%	100%	
618	KY	Garrard	Lancaster	Turkey Creek		752.8	297.1	976	240	8%	36%	51%	5%	100%	73%	12%	15%	100%	
Total Number of Solar Farms					6														
Average					3.80	359.9	132.0	1244	640	9%	41%	39%	10%	58%	24%	18%			
Median					2.35	181.6	60.5	1006	360	7%	32%	51%	3%	69%	14%	7%			
High					8.50	968.2	322.4	2110	2040	22%	96%	69%	36%	96%	78%	60%			
Low					2.00	17.4	17.4	720	120	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%			

610: Bowling Green Solar, Bowling Green, KY



This project was built in 2011 and located on 17.36 acres for a 2 MW project on Scotty’s Way with the adjoining uses being primarily industrial. The closest dwelling is 720 feet from the nearest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	0.58%	10.00%
Agricultural	63.89%	30.00%
Industrial	35.53%	60.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

611: Cooperative Solar I, Winchester, KY



This project was built in 2017 on 63 acres of a 181.47-acre parent tract for an 8.5 MW project with the closest home at 2,040 feet from the closest solar panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	0.15%	11.11%
Agricultural	96.46%	77.78%
Agri/Res	3.38%	11.11%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

612: Walton 2 Solar, Walton, KY



This project was built in 2017 on 58.03 acres for a 2 MW project with the closest home 120 feet from the closest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	20.84%	47.06%
Agri/Res	59.92%	17.65%
Commercial	19.25%	35.29%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

613: Crittenden Solar, Crittenden, KY



This project was built in late 2017 on 34.10 acres out of a 181.70-acre tract for a 2.7 MW project where the closest home is 345 feet from the closest panel.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	1.65%	32.08%
Agricultural	73.39%	39.62%
Agri/Res	23.05%	11.32%
Commercial	0.64%	9.43%
Industrial	0.19%	3.77%
Airport	0.93%	1.89%
Substation	0.15%	1.89%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

659: Cooperative Shelby Solar, Simpsonville, KY



This project was built in 2020 on 35 acres for a 0.5 MW project that is approved for expansion up to 4 MW.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	6.04%	44.44%
Agricultural	10.64%	11.11%
Agri/Res	31.69%	33.33%
Institutional	51.62%	11.11%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

660: E.W. Brown Solar, Harrodsburg, KY



This project was built in 2016 on 50 acres for a 10 MW project. This solar facility adjoins three coal-fired units, which makes analysis of these nearby home sales problematic as it is impossible to extract the impact of the coal plant on the nearby homes especially given the lake frontage of the homes shown.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Residential	2.77%	77.27%
Agricultural	43.92%	9.09%
Agri/Res	28.56%	9.09%
Industrial	24.75%	4.55%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

VI. Market Analysis of the Impact on Value from Solar Farms

I have researched hundreds of solar farms in numerous states to determine the impact of these facilities on the value of adjoining properties. This research has primarily been in North Carolina, but I have also conducted market impact analyses in Virginia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Oregon, Mississippi, Maryland, New York, California, Missouri, Florida, Montana, Georgia, Kentucky, and New Jersey.

I have derived a breakdown of the adjoining uses to show where solar farms are located. A summary showing the results of compiling that data over hundreds of solar farms is shown later in the Scope of Research section of this report.

I also consider whether the properties adjoining a solar farm in one location have characteristics similar to the properties abutting or adjoining the proposed site so that I can make an assessment of market impact on each proposed site. Notably, in most cases solar farms are placed in areas very similar to the site in question, which is surrounded by low density residential and agricultural uses. In my over 700 studies, I have found a striking repetition of that same typical adjoining property use mix in over 90% of the solar farms I have looked at. Matched pair results in multiple states are strikingly similar, and all indicate that solar farms – which generate very little traffic, and do not generate noise, dust or have other harmful effects – do not negatively impact the value of adjoining or abutting properties.

I have previously been asked by the Kentucky Siting Board about how the solar farms and the matched pair sets were chosen. This is the total of all the usable home and land sales adjoining the 750+ solar farms that I have looked at over the last 10 years. Most of the solar farms that I have looked at are only a few years old and have not been in place long enough for home or land sales to occur next to them for me to analyze. There is nothing unusual about this given the relatively rural locations of most of the solar farms where home and land sales occur much less frequently than they do in urban and suburban areas and the number of adjoining homes is relatively small.

I review the solar farms that I have looked at periodically to see if there are any new sales. If there is a sale I have to be sure it is not an inhouse sale or to a related family member. A great many of the rural sales that I find are from one family member to another, which makes analysis impossible given that these are not “arm’s length” transactions. There are also numerous examples of sales that are “arm’s length” but are still not usable due to other factors such as adjoining significant negative factors such as a coal fired plant or at a landfill or prison. I have looked at homes that require a driveway crossing a railroad spur, homes in close proximity to large industrial uses, as well as homes adjoining large state parks, or homes that are over 100 years old with multiple renovations. Such sales are not usable as they have multiple factors impacting the value that are tangled together. You can’t isolate the impact of the coal fired plant, the industrial building, or the railroad unless you are comparing that sale to a similar property with similar impacts. Matched pair analysis requires that you isolate properties that only have one differential to test for, which is why the type of sales noted above is not appropriate for analysis.

After my review of all sales and elimination of the family transactions and those sales with multiple differentials, I am left with the matched pairs shown in this report to analyze. I do have additional matched pair data in other areas of the United States that were not included in this report due to being states less comparable to Kentucky than those shown. The only other sales that I have eliminated from the analysis are home sales under \$100,000, which there haven’t been many such examples, but at that price range it is difficult to identify any impacts through matched pair analysis. I have not cherry picked the data to include just the sales that support one direction in value, but I have included all of them both positive and negative with a preponderance of the evidence supporting no impact to mild positive impacts.

A. *Kentucky and Adjoining States Data*

1. Matched Pair – Crittenden Solar, Crittenden, KY



This solar farm was built in December 2017 on a 181.70-acre tract but utilizing only 34.10 acres. This is a 2.7 MW facility with residential subdivisions to the north and south.

I have identified five home sales to the north of this solar farm on Clairborne Drive and one home sale to the south on Eagle Ridge Drive since the completion of this solar farm. The home sale on Eagle Drive is for a \$75,000 home and all of the homes along that street are similar in size and price range. According to local broker Steve Glacken with Cutler Real Estate these are the lowest price range/style home in the market. I have not analyzed that sale as it would unlikely provide significant data to other homes in the area.

Mr. Glacken is currently selling lots at the west end of Clairborne for new home construction. He indicated that the solar farm near the entrance of the development has been a complete non-factor and none of the home sales are showing any concern over the solar farm. Most of the homes are in the \$250,000 to \$280,000 price range. The vacant residential lots are being marketed for \$28,000 to \$29,000. The landscaping buffer is considered light, but the rolling terrain allows for distant views of the panels from the adjoining homes along Clairborne Drive.

The first home considered is a bit of an anomaly for this subdivision in that it is the only manufactured home that was allowed in the community. It sold on January 3, 2019. I compared that sale to three other manufactured home sales in the area making minor adjustments as shown on the next page to account for the differences. After all other factors are considered the adjustments show a -1% to +13% impact due to the adjacency of the solar farm. The best indicator is 1250 Cason, which shows a 3% impact. A 3% impact is within the normal static of real estate transactions and therefore not considered indicative of a positive impact on the property, but it strongly supports an indication of no negative impact.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	250 Claiborne	0.96	1/3/2019	\$120,000	2000	2,016	\$59.52	3/2	Drive	Manuf	
	Not	1250 Cason	1.40	4/18/2018	\$95,000	1994	1,500	\$63.33	3/2	2-Det	Manuf	Carport
	Not	410 Reeves	1.02	11/27/2018	\$80,000	2000	1,456	\$54.95	3/2	Drive	Manuf	
	Not	315 N Fork	1.09	5/4/2019	\$107,000	1992	1,792	\$59.71	3/2	Drive	Manuf	

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	250 Claiborne								\$120,000			373
Not	1250 Cason	\$2,081		\$2,850	\$26,144		-\$5,000	-\$5,000	\$116,075	3%		
Not	410 Reeves	\$249		\$0	\$24,615				\$104,865	13%		
Not	315 N Fork	-\$1,091		\$4,280	\$10,700				\$120,889	-1%		
											5%	

I also looked at three other home sales on this street as shown below. These are stick-built homes and show a higher price range.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	300 Claiborne	1.08	9/20/2018	\$212,720	2003	1,568	\$135.66	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	460 Claiborne	0.31	1/3/2019	\$229,000	2007	1,446	\$158.37	3/2	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	215 Lexington	1.00	7/27/2018	\$231,200	2000	1,590	\$145.41	5/4	2-Car	Ranch	Brick

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	300 Claiborne								\$213,000			488
Not	460 Claiborne	-\$2,026		-\$4,580	\$15,457	\$5,000			\$242,850	-14%		
Not	2160 Sherman	-\$5,672		-\$2,650	-\$20,406				\$236,272	-11%		
Not	215 Lexington	\$1,072		\$3,468	-\$2,559	-\$5,000			\$228,180	-7%		
											-11%	

This set of matched pairs shows a minor negative impact for this property. I was unable to confirm the sales price or conditions of this sale. The best indication of value is based on 215 Lexington, which required the least adjusting and supports a -7% impact.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	350 Claiborne	1.00	7/20/2018	\$245,000	2002	1,688	\$145.14	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	460 Claiborne	0.31	1/3/2019	\$229,000	2007	1,446	\$158.37	3/2	2-Car	Ranch	Brick
	Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	R/FBsmt	Brick
	Not	215 Lexington	1.00	7/27/2018	\$231,200	2000	1,590	\$145.41	5/4	2-Car	Ranch	Brick

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	350 Claiborne								\$245,000			720
Not	460 Claiborne	-\$3,223		-\$5,725	\$30,660	\$5,000			\$255,712	-4%		
Not	2160 Sherman	-\$7,057		-\$3,975	-\$5,743				\$248,225	-1%		
Not	215 Lexington	-\$136		\$2,312	\$11,400	-\$5,000			\$239,776	2%		
											-1%	

The following photograph shows the light landscaping buffer and the distant view of panels that was included as part of the marketing package for this property. The panels are visible somewhat on the left and somewhat through the trees in the center of the photograph. The first photograph is from the home, with the second photograph showing the view near the rear of the lot.



This set of matched pairs shows a no negative impact for this property. The range of adjusted impacts is -4% to +2%. The best indication is -1%, which as described above is within the typical market static and supports no impact on adjoining property value.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
	Adjoins	370 Claiborne	1.06	8/22/2019	\$273,000	2005	1,570	\$173.89	4/3	2-Car	2-Story	Brick
	Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	R/FBsmt	Brick
	Not	2290 Dry	1.53	5/2/2019	\$239,400	1988	1,400	\$171.00	3/2.5	2-Car	R/FBsmt	Brick
	Not	125 Lexington	1.20	4/17/2018	\$240,000	2001	1,569	\$152.96	3/3	2-Car	Split	Brick

Adjustments

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	370 Claiborne								\$273,000			930
Not	2160 Sherman	\$1,831		\$0	-\$20,161				\$246,670	10%		
Not	2290 Dry	\$2,260		\$20,349	\$23,256	\$2,500			\$287,765	-5%		
Not	125 Lexington	\$9,951		\$4,800					\$254,751	7%		
											4%	

This set of matched pairs shows a general positive impact for this property. The range of adjusted impacts is -5% to +10%. The best indication is +7%. I typically consider measurements of +/-5% to be within the typical variation in real estate transactions. This indication is higher than that and suggests a positive relationship.

The photograph from the listing shows panels visible between the home and the trampoline shown in the picture.



Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	330 Claiborne	1.00	12/10/2019	\$282,500	2003	1,768	\$159.79	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick/pool
Not	895 Osborne	1.70	9/16/2019	\$249,900	2002	1,705	\$146.57	3/2	2-Car	Ranch	Brick/pool
Not	2160 Sherman	1.46	6/1/2019	\$265,000	2005	1,735	\$152.74	3/3	2-Car	R/FBsmt	Brick
Not	215 Lexington	1.00	7/27/2018	\$231,200	2000	1,590	\$145.41	5/4	2-Car	Ranch	Brick

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
Adjoins	330 Claiborne								\$282,500			665
Not	895 Osborne	\$1,790		\$1,250	\$7,387	\$5,000		\$0	\$265,327	6%		
Not	2160 Sherman	\$4,288		-\$2,650	\$4,032			\$20,000	\$290,670	-3%		
Not	215 Lexington	\$9,761		\$3,468	\$20,706	-\$5,000		\$20,000	\$280,135	1%		

1%

This set of matched pairs shows a general positive impact for this property. The range of adjusted impacts is -3% to +6%. The best indication is +6%. I typically consider measurements of +/-5% to be within the typical variation in real estate transactions. This indication is higher than that and suggests a positive relationship. The landscaping buffer on these is considered light with a fair visibility of the panels from most of these comparables and only thin landscaping buffers separating the homes from the solar panels.

The five matched pairs considered in this analysis includes two that show no impact on value, one that shows a negative impact on value, and two that show a positive impact. The negative indication supported by one matched pair is -7% and the positive impacts are +6% and +7%. The two neutral indications show impacts of -1% and +3%. The average indicated impact is +0% when all five of these indicators are blended.

Furthermore, the comments of the local real estate broker strongly support the data that shows no negative impact on value due to the proximity to the solar farm. This is further supported by the national data that is shown on the following pages.

2. Matched Pair – Mulberry, Selmer, TN



This 16 MW solar farm was built in 2014 on 208.89 acres with the closest home being 480 feet.

This solar farm adjoins two subdivisions with Central Hills having a mix of existing and new construction homes. Lots in this development have been marketed for \$15,000 each with discounts offered for multiple lots being used for a single home site. I spoke with the agent with Rhonda Wheeler and Becky Hearnberger with United County Farm & Home Realty who noted that they have seen no impact on lot or home sales due to the solar farm in this community.

I have included a map below as well as data on recent sales activity on lots that adjoin the solar farm or are near the solar farm in this subdivision both before and after the announced plan for this solar farm facility. I note that using the same method I used to breakdown the adjoining uses at the subject property I show that the predominant adjoining uses are residential and agricultural, which is consistent with the location of most solar farms.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Commercial	3.40%	0.034
Residential	12.84%	79.31%
Agri/Res	10.39%	3.45%
Agricultural	73.37%	13.79%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

I have run a number of direct matched comparisons on the sales adjoining this solar farm as shown below. These direct matched pairs include some of those shown above as well as additional more recent sales in this community. In each of these I have compared the one sale adjoining the solar farm to multiple similar farm homes nearby that do not adjoin a solar farm to look for any potential impact from the solar farm.

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
3	Adjoins	491 Dusty	6.86	10/28/2016	\$176,000	2009	1,801	\$97.72	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	820 Lake Trail	1.00	6/8/2018	\$168,000	2013	1,869	\$89.89	4/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	262 Country	1.00	1/17/2018	\$145,000	2000	1,860	\$77.96	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	35 April	1.15	8/16/2016	\$185,000	2016	1,980	\$93.43	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted												
Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
3	Adjoins	491 Dusty										
	Not	820 Lake Trail			-\$8,324		\$12,000	-\$3,360				\$176,000
	Not	262 Country			-\$5,450		\$12,000	\$6,525				\$163,426
	Not	35 April			\$1,138		\$12,000	-\$6,475				\$154,396
												\$178,283
												Average
												6%
												480

The best matched pair is 35 April Loop, which required the least adjustment and indicates a -1% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
12	Adjoins	57 Cooper	1.20	2/26/2019	\$163,000	2011	1,586	\$102.77	3/2	2-Gar	1.5 Story	Pool
	Not	191 Amelia	1.00	8/3/2018	\$132,000	2005	1,534	\$86.05	3/2	Drive	Ranch	
	Not	75 April	0.85	3/17/2017	\$134,000	2012	1,588	\$84.38	3/2	2-Crprt	Ranch	
	Not	345 Woodland	1.15	12/29/2016	\$131,000	2002	1,410	\$92.91	3/2	1-Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted												
Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
12	Adjoins	57 Cooper			\$163,000							
	Not	191 Amelia			\$2,303		\$3,960	\$2,685		\$10,000	\$5,000	\$163,000
	Not	75 April			\$8,029	\$4,000	-\$670	-\$135		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$155,947
	Not	345 Woodland			\$8,710		\$5,895	\$9,811		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$155,224
												\$160,416
												Average
												4%
												5%
												2%
												4%

The best matched pair is 191 Amelia, which was most similar in time frame of sale and indicates a +4% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
15	Adjoins	297 Country	1.00	9/30/2016	\$150,000	2002	1,596	\$93.98	3/2	4-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	185 Dusty	1.85	8/17/2015	\$126,040	2009	1,463	\$86.15	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	53 Glen	1.13	3/9/2017	\$126,000	1999	1,475	\$85.42	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	Brick

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Parcel	Solar	Address	Sales Price	Time	Site	YB	GLA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Distance
15	Adjoins	297 Country	\$150,000							\$150,000		650
	Not	185 Dusty	\$126,040	\$4,355		-\$4,411	\$9,167	\$10,000		\$145,150	3%	
	Not	53 Glen	\$126,000	-\$1,699		\$1,890	\$8,269	\$10,000		\$144,460	4%	
										Average	3%	

The best matched pair is 53 Glen, which was most similar in time frame of sale and required less adjustment. It indicates a +4% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

The average indicated impact from these three sets of matched pairs is +4%, which suggests a mild positive relationship due to adjacency to the solar farm. The landscaping buffer for this project is mostly natural tree growth that was retained as part of the development but much of the trees separating the panels from homes are actually on the lots for the homes themselves. I therefore consider the landscaping buffer to be thin to moderate for these adjoining homes.

I have also looked at several lot sales in this subdivision as shown below.

These are all lots within the same community and the highest prices paid are for lots one parcel off from the existing solar farm. These prices are fairly inconsistent, though they do suggest about a \$3,000 loss in the lots adjoining the solar farm. This is an atypical finding and additional details suggest there is more going on in these sales than the data crunching shows. First of all Parcel 4 was purchased by the owner of the adjoining home and therefore an atypical buyer seeking to expand a lot and the site is not being purchased for home development. Moreover, using the SiteToDoBusiness demographic tools, I found that the 1-mile radius around this development is expecting a total population increase over the next 5 years of 3 people. This lack of growing demand for lots is largely explained in that context. Furthermore, the fact that finished home sales as shown above are showing no sign of a negative impact on property value makes this data unreliable and inconsistent with the data shown in sales to an end user. I therefore place little weight on this outlier data.

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	4/18/2019 Adj for Time	\$/AC	4/18/2019 Adj for Time
4	Adjoins	Shelter	2.05	10/25/2017	\$16,000	\$16,728	\$7,805	\$8,160
10	Adjoins	Carter	1.70	8/2/2018	\$14,000	\$14,306	\$8,235	\$8,415
11	Adjoins	Cooper	1.28	9/17/2018	\$12,000	\$12,215	\$9,375	\$9,543
	Not	75 Dusty	1.67	4/18/2019	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$11,976	\$11,976
	Not	Lake Trl	1.47	11/7/2018	\$13,000	\$13,177	\$8,844	\$8,964
	Not	Lake Trl	1.67	4/18/2019	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$11,976	\$11,976
		Adjoins	Per Acre	Not Adjoins	Per Acre	% DIF/Lot	% DIF/AC	
	Average	\$14,416	\$8,706	\$17,726	\$10,972	19%	21%	
	Median	\$14,306	\$8,415	\$20,000	\$11,976	28%	30%	
	High	\$16,728	\$9,543	\$20,000	\$11,976	16%	20%	
	Low	\$12,215	\$8,160	\$13,177	\$8,964	7%	9%	

3. Matched Pair – Grand Ridge Solar, Streator, IL



This solar farm has a 20 MW output and is located on a 160-acre tract. The project was built in 2012.

I have considered the recent sale of Parcel 13 shown above, which sold in October 2016 after the solar farm was built. I have compared that sale to a number of nearby residential sales not in proximity to the solar farm as shown below. Parcel 13 is 480 feet from the closest solar panel. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
13	34-21-237-000	2	Oct-16	\$186,000	1997	2,328	\$79.90

Not Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
712 Columbus Rd	32-39-134-005	1.26	Jun-16	\$166,000	1950	2,100	\$79.05
504 N 2782 Rd	18-13-115-000	2.68	Oct-12	\$154,000	1980	2,800	\$55.00
7720 S Dwight Rd	11-09-300-004	1.14	Nov-16	\$191,000	1919	2,772	\$68.90
701 N 2050th Rd	26-20-105-000	1.97	Aug-13	\$200,000	2000	2,200	\$90.91
9955 E 1600th St	04-13-200-007	1.98	May-13	\$181,858	1991	2,600	\$69.95

TAX ID	Date Sold	Time	Adjustments	
			Total	\$/Sf
34-21-237-000	Oct-16		\$186,000	\$79.90
32-39-134-005	Jun-16		\$166,000	\$79.05
18-13-115-000	Oct-12	\$12,320	\$166,320	\$59.40
11-09-300-004	Nov-16		\$191,000	\$68.90
26-20-105-000	Aug-13	\$12,000	\$212,000	\$96.36
04-13-200-007	May-13	\$10,911	\$192,769	\$74.14

	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
Sales Price/SF	\$79.90	\$79.90	\$75.57	\$74.14
GBA	2,328	2,328	2,494	2,600

Based on the matched pairs I find no indication of negative impact due to proximity to the solar farm.

The most similar comparable is the home on Columbus that sold for \$79.05 per square foot. This is higher than the median rate for all of the comparables. Applying that price per square foot to the subject property square footage indicates a value of \$184,000.

There is minimal landscaping separating this solar farm from nearby properties and is therefore considered light.

4. Matched Pair – Portage Solar, Portage, IN



This solar farm has a 2 MW output and is located on a portion of a 56-acre tract. The project was built in 2012.

I have considered the recent sale of Parcels 5 and 12. Parcel 5 is an undeveloped tract, while Parcel 12 is a residential home. I have compared each to a set of comparable sales to determine if there was any impact due to the adjoining solar farm. This home is 1,320 feet from the closest solar panel. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
12	64-06-19-326-007.000-015	1.00	Sep-13	\$149,800	1964	1,776	\$84.35

Nearby Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
2501 Architect Dr	64-04-32-202-004.000-021	1.31	Nov-15	\$191,500	1959	2,064	\$92.78
336 E 1050 N	64-07-09-326-003.000-005	1.07	Jan-13	\$155,000	1980	1,908	\$81.24
2572 Pryor Rd	64-05-14-204-006.000-016	1.00	Jan-16	\$216,000	1960	2,348	\$91.99

Adjoining Land Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/AC
5	64-06-19-200-003.000-015	18.70	Feb-14	\$149,600	\$8,000

Nearby Land Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/AC
	64-07-22-401-001.000-005	74.35	Jun-17	\$520,450	\$7,000
	64-15-08-200-010.000-001	15.02	Jan-17	\$115,000	\$7,658

Residential Sale Adjustment Chart

TAX ID	Date Sold	Adjustments		\$/Sf
		Time	Total	
64-06-19-326-007.000-015	Sep-13	\$8,988	\$158,788	\$89.41
64-04-32-202-004.000-021	Nov-15	\$3,830	\$195,330	\$94.64
64-07-09-326-003.000-005	Jan-13	\$9,300	\$164,300	\$86.11
64-05-14-204-006.000-016	Jan-16		\$216,000	\$91.99

2% adjustment/year
Adjusted to 2017

	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
Sales Price/SF	\$89.41	\$89.41	\$90.91	\$91.99
GBA	1,776	1,776	2,107	2,064

After adjusting the price per square foot is 2.88% less for the home adjoining the solar farm versus those not adjoining the solar farm. This is within the typical range of variation to be anticipated in any real estate transaction and indicates no impact on property value.

Applying the price per square foot for the 336 E 1050 N sale, which is the most similar to the Parcel 12 sale, the adjusted price at \$81.24 per square foot applied to the Parcel 12 square footage yields a value of \$144,282.

The landscaping separating this solar farm from the homes is considered light.

Land Sale Adjustment Chart

TAX ID	Date Sold	Adjustments		\$/Acre
		Time	Total	
64-06-19-200-003.000-015	Feb-14	\$8,976	\$158,576	\$8,480
64-07-22-401-001.000-005	Jun-17		\$520,450	\$7,000
64-15-08-200-010.000-001	Jan-17		\$115,000	\$7,658

2% adjustment/year
Adjusted to 2017

	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
Sales Price/Ac	\$8,480	\$8,480	\$7,329	\$7,329
Acres	18.70	18.70	44.68	44.68

After adjusting the price per acre is higher for the property adjoining the solar farm, but the average and median size considered is higher which suggests a slight discount. This set of matched pair supports no indication of negative impact due to the adjoining solar farm.

Alternatively, adjusting the 2017 sales back to 2014 I derive an indicated price per acre for the comparables at \$6,580 per acre to \$7,198 per acre, which I compare to the unadjusted subject property sale at \$8,000 per acre.

5. Matched Pair – Dominion Indy III, Indianapolis, IN



This solar farm has an 8.6 MW output and is located on a portion of a 134-acre tract. The project was built in 2013.

There are a number of homes on small lots located along the northern boundary and I have considered several sales of these homes. I have compared those homes to a set of nearby not adjoining home sales as shown below. The adjoining homes that sold range from 380 to 420 feet from the nearest solar panel, with an average of 400 feet. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
2	2013249	0.38	12/9/2015	\$140,000	2006	2,412	\$58.04
4	2013251	0.23	9/6/2017	\$160,000	2006	2,412	\$66.33
5	2013252	0.23	5/10/2017	\$147,000	2009	2,028	\$72.49
11	2013258	0.23	12/9/2015	\$131,750	2011	2,190	\$60.16
13	2013260	0.23	3/4/2015	\$127,000	2005	2,080	\$61.06
14	2013261	0.23	2/3/2014	\$120,000	2010	2,136	\$56.18

Nearby Not Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	TAX ID	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA
5836 Sable Dr	2013277	0.14	Jun-16	\$141,000	2005	2,280	\$61.84
5928 Mosaic Pl	2013845	0.17	Sep-15	\$145,000	2007	2,280	\$63.60
5904 Minden Dr	2012912	0.16	May-16	\$130,000	2004	2,252	\$57.73
5910 Mosaic Pl	2000178	0.15	Aug-16	\$146,000	2009	2,360	\$61.86
5723 Minden Dr	2012866	0.26	Nov-16	\$139,900	2005	2,492	\$56.14

Adjustments

TAX ID	Date Sold	Time	Total	\$/Sf
2013249	12/9/2015	\$5,600	\$145,600	\$60.36
2013251	9/6/2017		\$160,000	\$66.33
2013252	5/10/2017		\$147,000	\$72.49
2013258	12/9/2015	\$5,270	\$137,020	\$62.57
2013260	3/4/2015	\$5,080	\$132,080	\$63.50
2013261	2/3/2014	\$7,200	\$127,200	\$59.55
2013277	6/1/2016	\$2,820	\$143,820	\$63.08
2013845	9/1/2015	\$5,800	\$150,800	\$66.14
2012912	5/1/2016	\$2,600	\$132,600	\$58.88
2000178	8/1/2016	\$2,920	\$148,920	\$63.10
2012866	11/1/2016	\$2,798	\$142,698	\$57.26

2% adjustment/year
Adjusted to 2017

Sales Price/SF	Adjoins Solar Farm		Not Adjoin Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
	\$64.13	\$63.03	\$61.69	\$63.08
GBA	2,210	2,163	2,333	2,280

This set of homes provides very strong indication of no impact due to the adjacency to the solar farm and includes a large selection of homes both adjoining and not adjoining in the analysis.

The landscaping screen is considered light in relation to the homes considered above.

6. Matched Pair – Clarke County Solar, Clarke County, VA



This project is a 20 MW facility located on a 234-acre tract that was built in 2017.

I have considered a recent sale of Parcel 3. The home on this parcel is 1,230 feet from the closest panel as measured in the second map from Google Earth, which shows the solar farm under construction.

I've compared this home sale to a number of similar rural homes on similar parcels as shown below. I have used multiple sales that bracket the subject property in terms of sale date, year built, gross living area, bedrooms and bathrooms. Bracketing the parameters insures that all factors are well balanced out in the adjustments. The trend for these sales shows a positive value for the adjacency to the solar farm.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	833 Nations Spr	5.13	1/9/2017	\$295,000	1979	1,392	\$211.93	3/2	Det Gar	Ranch	Unfin bsmt
Not	85 Ashby	5.09	9/11/2017	\$315,000	1982	2,333	\$135.02	3/2	2 Gar	Ranch	
Not	541 Old Kitchen	5.07	9/9/2018	\$370,000	1986	3,157	\$117.20	4/4	2 Gar	2 story	
Not	4174 Rockland	5.06	1/2/2017	\$300,000	1990	1,688	\$177.73	3/2	3 Gar	2 story	
Not	400 Sugar Hill	1.00	6/7/2018	\$180,000	1975	1,008	\$178.57	3/1	Drive	Ranch	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Time	Acres	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff
Adjoins	833 Nations Spr	5.13	1/9/2017	\$295,000								\$295,000	
Not	85 Ashby	5.09	9/11/2017	\$315,000	-\$6,300		-\$6,615	-\$38,116		-\$7,000	\$15,000	\$271,969	8%
Not	541 Old Kitchen	5.07	9/9/2018	\$370,000	-\$18,500		-\$18,130	-\$62,057		-\$7,000	\$15,000	\$279,313	5%
Not	4174 Rockland	5.06	1/2/2017	\$300,000			-\$23,100	-\$15,782		-\$12,000	\$15,000	\$264,118	10%
Not	400 Sugar Hill	1.00	6/7/2018	\$180,000	-\$9,000	\$43,000	\$5,040	\$20,571	\$10,000	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$267,611	9%
Average												8%	

The landscaping screen is primarily a newly planted buffer with a row of existing trees being maintained near the northern boundary and considered light.

7. Matched Pair – Walker-Correctional Solar, Barham Road, Barhamville, VA



This project was built in 2017 and located on 484.65 acres for a 20 MW with the closest home at 110 feet from the closest solar panel with an average distance of 500 feet.

I considered the recent sale identified on the map above as Parcel 19, which is directly across the street and based on the map shown on the following page is 250 feet from the closest panel. A limited buffering remains along the road with natural growth being encouraged, but currently the panels are visible from the road. Alex Uminski, SRA with MGMiller Valuations in Richmond VA

confirmed this sale with the buying and selling broker. The selling broker indicated that the solar farm was not a negative influence on this sale and in fact the buyer noticed the solar farm and then discovered the listing. The privacy being afforded by the solar farm was considered a benefit by the buyer. I used a matched pair analysis with a similar sale nearby as shown below and found no negative impact on the sales price. Property actually closed for more than the asking price. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	5241 Barham	2.65	10/18/2018	\$264,000	2007	1,660	\$159.04	3/2	Drive	Ranch	Modular
Not	17950 New Kent	5.00	9/5/2018	\$290,000	1987	1,756	\$165.15	3/2.5	3 Gar	Ranch	
Not	9252 Ordinary	4.00	6/13/2019	\$277,000	2001	1,610	\$172.05	3/2	1.5-Gar	Ranch	
Not	2416 W Miller	1.04	9/24/2018	\$299,000	1999	1,864	\$160.41	3/2.5	Gar	Ranch	

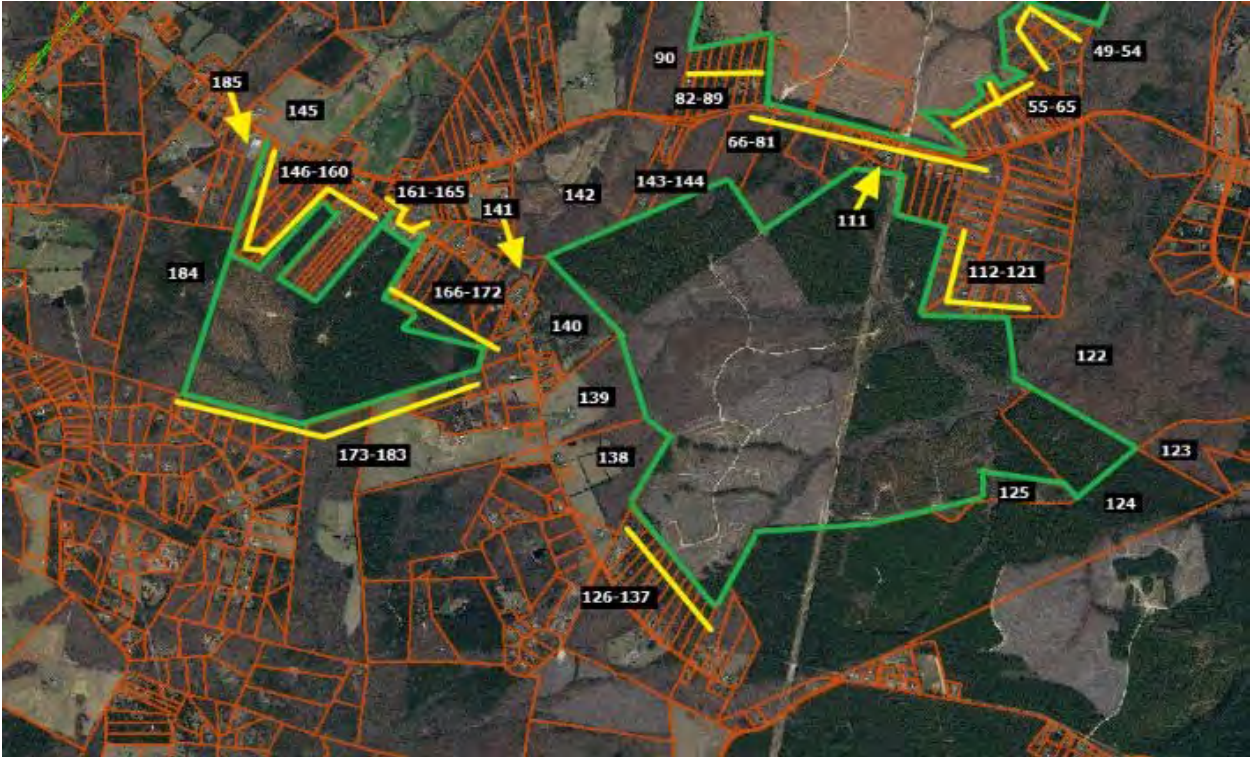
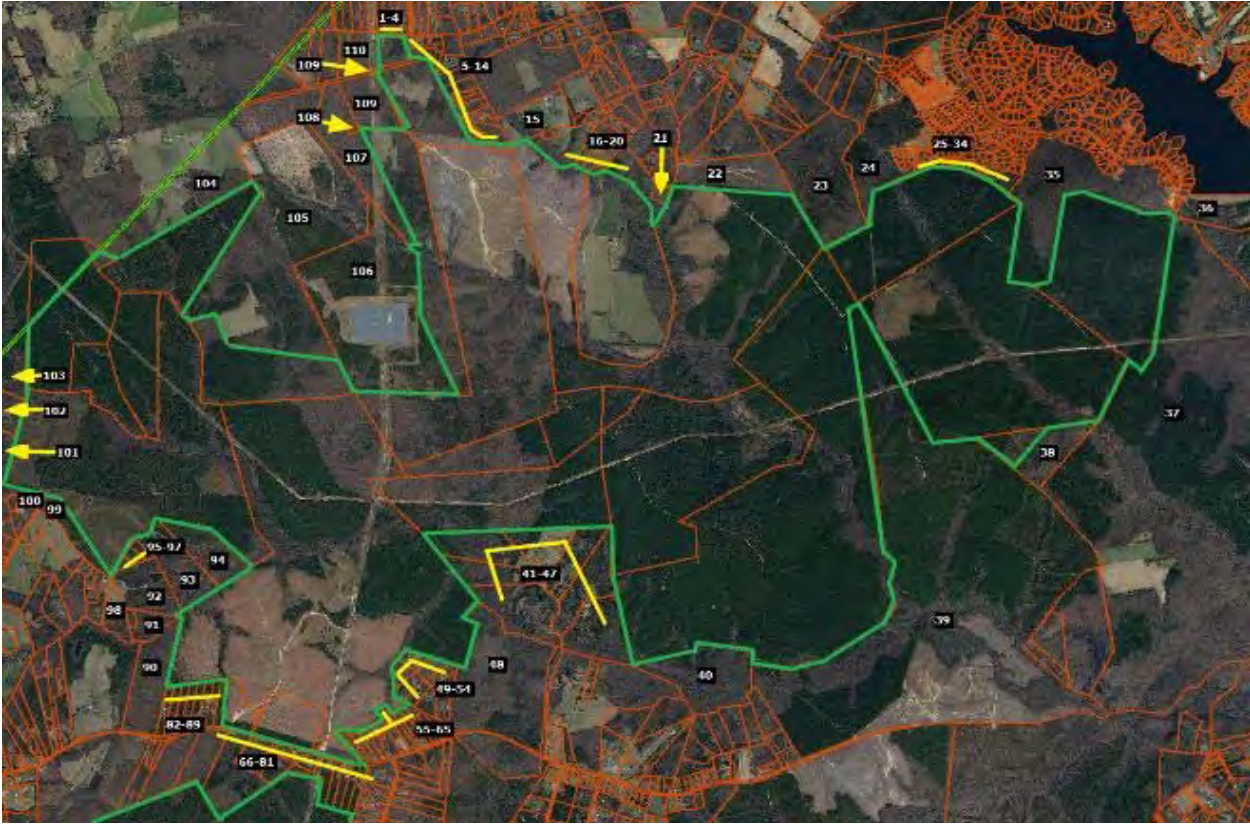
Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Solar	Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
Adjoins	5241 Barham								\$264,000		250
Not	17950 New Kent		-\$8,000	\$29,000	-\$4,756	-\$5,000	-\$20,000	-\$15,000	\$266,244	-1%	
Not	9252 Ordinary	-\$8,310	-\$8,000	\$8,310	\$2,581		-\$10,000	-\$15,000	\$246,581	7%	
Not	2416 W Miller		\$8,000	\$11,960	-\$9,817	-\$5,000	-\$10,000	-\$15,000	\$279,143	-6%	

Average Diff 0%

I also spoke with Patrick W. McCrerey of Virginia Estates who was marketing a property that sold at 5300 Barham Road adjoining the Walker-Correctional Solar Farm. He indicated that this property was unique with a home built in 1882 and heavily renovated and updated on 16.02 acres. The solar farm was through the woods and couldn't be seen by this property and it had no impact on marketing this property. This home sold on April 26, 2017 for \$358,000. I did not set up any matched pairs for this property as it was such a unique property that any such comparison would be difficult to rely on. The broker's comments do support the assertion that the adjoining solar farm had no impact on value. The home in this case was 510 feet from the closest panel.

9. Matched Pair – Spotsylvania Solar, Paytes, VA



This solar farm is being built in four phases with the area known as Site C having completed construction in November 2020 after the entire project was approved in April 2019. Site C, also known as Pleinmont 1 Solar, includes 99.6 MW located in the southeast corner of the project and shown on the maps above with adjoining parcels 111 through 144. The entire Spotsylvania project totals 617 MW on 3500 acres out of a parent tract assemblage of 6,412 acres.

I have identified three adjoining home sales that occurred during construction and development of the site in 2020.

The first is located on the north side of Site A on Orange Plank Road. The second is located on Nottoway Lane just north of Caparthin Road on the south side of Site A and east of Site C. The third is located on Post Oak Road for a home that backs up to Site C that sold in September 2020 near the completion of construction for Site C.

Spotsylvania Solar Farm

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	12901 Orng Plnk	5.20	8/27/2020	\$319,900	1984	1,714	\$186.64	3/2	Drive	1.5	Un Bsmt
Not	8353 Gold Dale	3.00	1/27/2021	\$415,000	2004	2,064	\$201.07	3/2	3 Gar	Ranch	
Not	6488 Southfork	7.26	9/9/2020	\$375,000	2017	1,680	\$223.21	3/2	2 Gar	1.5	Barn/Patio
Not	12717 Flintlock	0.47	12/2/2020	\$290,000	1990	1,592	\$182.16	3/2.5	Det Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
12901 Orng Plnk								\$319,900		1270
8353 Gold Dale	-\$5,219	\$20,000	-\$41,500	-\$56,298			-\$20,000	\$311,983	2%	
6488 Southfork	-\$401	-\$20,000	-\$61,875	\$6,071			-\$15,000	\$283,796	11%	
12717 Flintlock	-\$2,312	\$40,000	-\$8,700	\$17,779	-\$5,000	-\$5,000		\$326,767	-2%	

Average Diff 4%

I contacted Keith Snider to confirm this sale. This is considered to have a medium landscaping screen.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	9641 Nottoway	11.00	5/12/2020	\$449,900	2004	3,186	\$141.21	4/2.5	Garage	2-Story	Un Bsmt
Not	26123 Lafayette	1.00	8/3/2020	\$390,000	2006	3,142	\$124.12	3/3.5	Gar/DtG	2-Story	
Not	11626 Forest	5.00	8/10/2020	\$489,900	2017	3,350	\$146.24	4/3.5	2 Gar	2-Story	
Not	10304 Pny Brnch	6.00	7/27/2020	\$485,000	1998	3,076	\$157.67	4/4	2Gar/Dt2	Ranch	Fn Bsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
9641 Nottoway								\$449,900		1950
26123 Lafayette	-\$2,661	\$45,000	-\$3,900	\$4,369	-\$10,000	-\$5,000		\$417,809	7%	
11626 Forest	-\$3,624		-\$31,844	-\$19,187		-\$5,000		\$430,246	4%	
10304 Pny Brnch	-\$3,030		\$14,550	\$13,875	-\$15,000	-\$15,000	-\$10,000	\$470,396	-5%	

Average Diff 2%

I contacted Annette Roberts with ReMax about this transaction. This is considered to have a medium landscaping screen.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	13353 Post Oak	5.20	9/21/2020	\$300,000	1992	2,400	\$125.00	4/3	Drive	2-Story	Fn Bsmt
Not	9609 Logan Hgt	5.86	7/4/2019	\$330,000	2004	2,352	\$140.31	3/2	2Gar	2-Story	
Not	12810 Catharpian	6.18	1/30/2020	\$280,000	2008	2,240	\$125.00	4/2.5	Drive	2-Story Bsmt/Nd Pnt	
Not	10725 Rbrt Lee	5.01	10/26/2020	\$295,000	1995	2,166	\$136.20	4/3	Gar	2-Story	Fn Bsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
13353 Post Oak								\$300,000		1171
9609 Logan Hgt	\$12,070		-\$19,800	\$5,388			-\$15,000	\$15,000	\$327,658	-9%
12810 Catharpian	\$5,408		-\$22,400	\$16,000	\$5,000			\$15,000	\$299,008	0%
10725 Rbrt Lee	-\$849		-\$4,425	\$25,496			-\$10,000		\$305,222	-2%

Average Diff -4%

I contacted Joy Pearson with CTI Real Estate about this transaction. This is considered to have a heavy landscaping screen.

All three of these homes are well set back from the solar panels at distances over 1,000 feet and are well screened from the project. All three show no indication of any impact on property value.

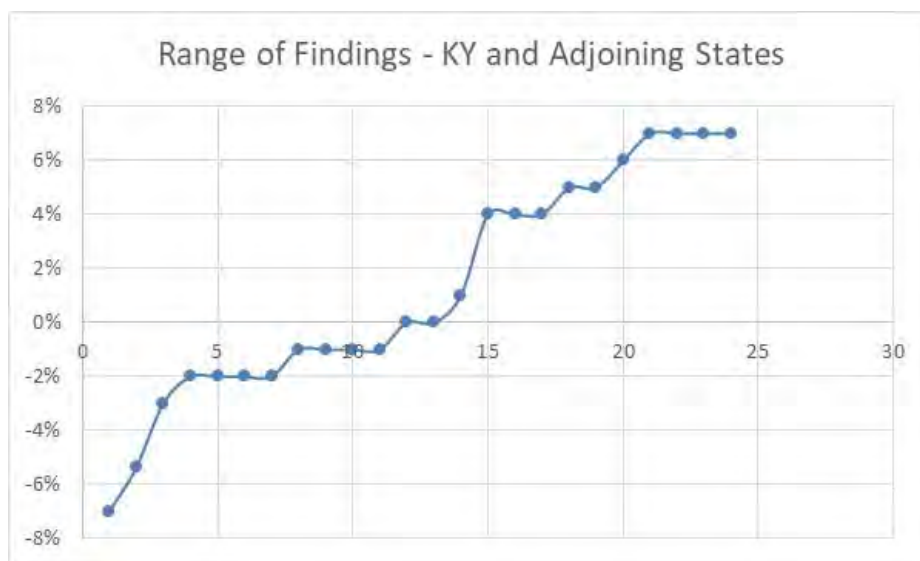
Conclusion

The solar farm matched pairs shown above have similar characteristics to each other in terms of population, but with several outliers showing solar farms in far more urban areas. The median income for the population within 1 mile of a solar farm among this subset of matched pairs is \$65,695 with a median housing unit value of \$186,463. Most of the comparables are under \$300,000 in the home price, with \$483,333 being the high end of the set, though I have matched pairs in other states over \$1,000,000 in price adjoining large solar farms. The predominate adjoining uses are residential and agricultural. These figures are in line with the larger set of solar farms that I have looked at with the predominant adjoining uses being residential and agricultural and similar to the solar farm breakdown shown for Kentucky and adjoining states as well as the proposed subject property.

Based on the similarity of adjoining uses and demographic data between these sites and the subject property, I consider it reasonable to compare these sites to the subject property.

Matched Pair Summary			Adj. Uses By Acreage							1 mile Radius (2010-2020 Data)			Veg. Buffer	
Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Topo Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Popl.	Income Med.	Avg. Housing Unit		
1	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	34	2.70	40	22%	51%	27%	0%	1,419	\$60,198	\$178,643	Light
2	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	160	5.00	60	13%	73%	10%	3%	467	\$40,936	\$171,746	Lt to Med
3	Grand Ridge	Streator	IL	160	20.00	1	8%	87%	5%	0%	96	\$70,158	\$187,037	Light
4	Portage	Portage	IN	56	2.00	0	19%	81%	0%	0%	6,642	\$65,695	\$186,463	Light
5	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	134	8.60	20	3%	97%	0%	0%	3,774	\$61,115	\$167,515	Light
6	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	485	20.00	N/A	12%	68%	20%	0%	203	\$80,773	\$320,076	Light
7	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	234	20.00	70	14%	39%	46%	1%	578	\$81,022	\$374,453	Light
8	Sappony	Stony Crk	VA	322	20.00	N/A	2%	98%	0%	0%	74	\$51,410	\$155,208	Medium
9	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	617.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333	Med to Hvy
Average				565	79.48	50	14%	72%	13%	0%	1,481	\$70,241	\$247,164	
Median				160	20.00	40	13%	73%	10%	0%	467	\$65,695	\$186,463	
High				3,500	617.00	160	37%	98%	46%	3%	6,642	\$120,861	\$483,333	
Low				34	2.00	0	2%	39%	0%	0%	74	\$40,936	\$155,208	

On the following page is a summary of the matched pairs for all of the solar farms noted above. They show a pattern of results from -7% to +7%. As can be seen in the chart of those results below, most of the data points are between -2% and +5%. This variability is common with real estate and consistent with market “static.” I therefore conclude that these results strongly support an indication of no impact on property value due to the adjacent solar farm.



Residential Dwelling Matched Pairs Adjoining Solar Farms

Pair	Solar Farm	City	State	MW	Approx		Date	Adj. Sale		Veg.
					Distance	Tax ID/Address		Sale Price	Price	
1	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	2.7	373	250 Claiborne	Jan-19	\$120,000		Light
						315 N Fork	May-19	\$107,000	\$120,889	-1%
2	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	2.7	488	300 Claiborne	Sep-18	\$213,000		Light
						1795 Bay Valley	Dec-17	\$231,200	\$228,180	-7%
3	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	2.7	720	350 Claiborne	Jul-18	\$245,000		Light
						2160 Sherman	Jun-19	\$265,000	\$248,225	-1%
4	Crittenden	Crittenden	KY	2.7	930	370 Claiborne	Aug-19	\$273,000		Light
						125 Lexington	Apr-18	\$240,000	\$254,751	7%
5	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	400	0900A011	Jul-14	\$130,000		Light
						099CA043	Feb-15	\$148,900	\$136,988	-5%
6	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	400	099CA002	Jul-15	\$130,000		Light
						0990NA040	Mar-15	\$120,000	\$121,200	7%
7	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	480	491 Dusty	Oct-16	\$176,000		Light
						35 April	Aug-16	\$185,000	\$178,283	-1%
8	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	650	297 Country	Sep-16	\$150,000		Medium
						53 Glen	Mar-17	\$126,000	\$144,460	4%
9	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	685	57 Cooper	Feb-19	\$163,000		Medium
						191 Amelia	Aug-18	\$132,000	\$155,947	4%
10	Grand Ridge	Streator	IL	20	480	1497 E 21st	Oct-16	\$186,000		Light
						712 Columbus	Jun-16	\$166,000	\$184,000	1%
11	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	8.6	400	2013249 (Tax ID)	Dec-15	\$140,000		Light
						5723 Minden	Nov-16	\$139,900	\$132,700	5%
12	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	8.6	400	2013251 (Tax ID)	Sep-17	\$160,000		Light
						5910 Mosaic	Aug-16	\$146,000	\$152,190	5%
13	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	8.6	400	2013252 (Tax ID)	May-17	\$147,000		Light
						5836 Sable	Jun-16	\$141,000	\$136,165	7%
14	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	8.6	400	2013258 (Tax ID)	Dec-15	\$131,750		Light
						5904 Minden	May-16	\$130,000	\$134,068	-2%
15	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	8.6	400	2013260 (Tax ID)	Mar-15	\$127,000		Light
						5904 Minden	May-16	\$130,000	\$128,957	-2%
16	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	8.6	400	2013261 (Tax ID)	Feb-14	\$120,000		Light
						5904 Minden	May-16	\$130,000	\$121,930	-2%
17	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	20	1230	833 Nations Spr	Jan-17	\$295,000		Light
						6801 Middle	Dec-17	\$249,999	\$296,157	0%
18	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	20	250	5241 Barham	Oct-18	\$264,000		Light
						9252 Ordinary	Jun-19	\$277,000	\$246,581	7%
19	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	20	1230	833 Nations Spr	Aug-19	\$385,000		Light
						2393 Old Chapel	Aug-20	\$330,000	\$389,286	-1%
20	Sappony	Stony Creek	VA	20	1425	12511 Palestine	Jul-18	\$128,400		Medium
						6494 Rocky Branch	Nov-18	\$100,000	\$131,842	-3%
21	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	617	1270	12901 Orange Plnk	Aug-20	\$319,900		Medium
						12717 Flintlock	Dec-20	\$290,000	\$326,767	-2%
22	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	617	1950	9641 Nottoway	May-20	\$449,900		Medium
						11626 Forest	Aug-20	\$489,900	\$430,246	4%
23	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	617	1171	13353 Post Oak	Sep-20	\$300,000		Heavy
						12810 Catharpin	Jan-20	\$280,000	\$299,008	0%

MW	Avg. Distance	Average	Indicated Impact
106.72	738		1%
8.60	480	Median	0%
617.00	1,950	High	7%
5.00	250	Low	-5%

I have further broken down these results based on the MWs, Landscaping, and distance from panel to show the following range of findings for these different categories.

This breakdown shows no homes between 100-200 feet. Solar farms up to 75 MW show homes between 201 and 500 feet with no impact on value. Most of the findings are for homes between 201 and 500 feet.

Light landscaping screens are showing no impact on value at any distances, though solar farms over 75.1 MW only show Medium and Heavy landscaping screens in the 3 examples identified.

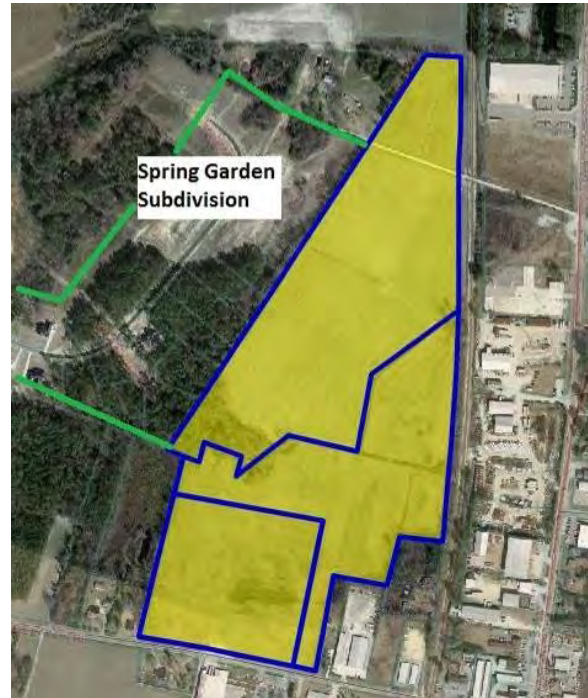
MW Range									
4.4 to 10									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	0	11	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
Average	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Median	N/A	-1%	N/A	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A
High	N/A	7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low	N/A	-5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A
10.1 to 30									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Average	N/A	4%	-1%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Median	N/A	4%	-1%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
High	N/A	7%	0%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low	N/A	1%	-1%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
30.1 to 75									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Average	N/A	1%	0%	N/A	N/A	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Median	N/A	1%	0%	N/A	N/A	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
High	N/A	2%	2%	N/A	N/A	9%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low	N/A	1%	-2%	N/A	N/A	-7%	N/A	N/A	N/A
75.1+									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Average	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	0%
Median	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	0%
High	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	N/A	0%
Low	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-2%	N/A	N/A	0%

B. Southeastern USA Data – Over 5 MW

I note that there is necessarily some overlap in the Regional data shown on the following pages and the data presented in Kentucky and the adjoining states. I have reshown the redundant solar farms just for consistency.

1. Matched Pair – AM Best Solar Farm, Goldsboro, NC

This 5 MW solar farm adjoins Spring Garden Subdivision which had new homes and lots available for new construction during the approval and construction of the solar farm. The recent home sales have ranged from \$200,000 to \$250,000. This subdivision sold out the last homes in late 2014. The solar farm is clearly visible particularly along the north end of this street where there is only a thin line of trees separating the solar farm from the single-family homes.



Homes backing up to the solar farm are selling at the same price for the same floor plan as the homes that do not back up to the solar farm in this subdivision. According to the builder, the solar farm has been a complete non-factor. Not only do the sales show no difference in the price paid for the various homes adjoining the solar farm versus not adjoining the solar farm, but there are actually more recent sales along the solar farm than not.

There is no impact on the sellout rate, or time to sell for the homes adjoining the solar farm.

I spoke with a number of owners who adjoin the solar farm and none of them expressed any concern over the solar farm impacting their property value.

The data presented on the following page shows multiple homes that have sold in 2013 and 2014 adjoining the solar farm at prices similar to those not along the solar farm. These series of sales indicate that the solar farm has no impact on the adjoining residential use.

The homes that were marketed at Spring Garden are shown below.

 <p>Americana SqFt: 3,194 Bed / Bath: 3 / 3.5</p>	Price: \$237,900 View Now »	 <p>Washington SqFt: 3,292 Bed / Bath: 4 / 3.5</p>	Price: \$244,900 View Now »
 <p>Presidential SqFt: 3,400 Bed / Bath: 5 / 3.5</p>	Price: \$247,900 View Now »	 <p>Kennedy SqFt: 3,494 Bed / Bath: 5 / 3</p>	Price: \$249,900 View Now »
 <p>Virginia SqFt: 3,449 Bed / Bath: 5 / 3</p>	Price: \$259,900 View Now »		

The homes adjoining the solar farm are considered to have a light landscaping screen as it is a narrow row of existing pine trees supplemented with evergreen plantings.

Matched Pairs

As of Date: 9/3/2014

Adjoining Sales After Solar Farm Completed

TAX ID	Owner	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	Style
3600195570	Helm	0.76	Sep-13	\$250,000	2013	3,292	\$75.94	2 Story
3600195361	Leak	1.49	Sep-13	\$260,000	2013	3,652	\$71.19	2 Story
3600199891	McBrayer	2.24	Jul-14	\$250,000	2014	3,292	\$75.94	2 Story
3600198632	Foresman	1.13	Aug-14	\$253,000	2014	3,400	\$74.41	2 Story
3600196656	Hinson	0.75	Dec-13	\$255,000	2013	3,453	\$73.85	2 Story
	Average	1.27		\$253,600	2013.4	3,418	\$74.27	
	Median	1.13		\$253,000	2013	3,400	\$74.41	

Adjoining Sales After Solar Farm Announced

TAX ID	Owner	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	Style
0	Feddersen	1.56	Feb-13	\$247,000	2012	3,427	\$72.07	Ranch
0	Gentry	1.42	Apr-13	\$245,000	2013	3,400	\$72.06	2 Story
	Average	1.49		\$246,000	2012.5	3,414	\$72.07	
	Median	1.49		\$246,000	2012.5	3,414	\$72.07	

Adjoining Sales Before Solar Farm Announced

TAX ID	Owner	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	Style
3600183905	Carter	1.57	Dec-12	\$240,000	2012	3,347	\$71.71	1.5 Story
3600193097	Kelly	1.61	Sep-12	\$198,000	2012	2,532	\$78.20	2 Story
3600194189	Hadwan	1.55	Nov-12	\$240,000	2012	3,433	\$69.91	1.5 Story
	Average	1.59		\$219,000	2012	2,940	\$74.95	
	Median	1.59		\$219,000	2012	2,940	\$74.95	

Nearby Sales After Solar Farm Completed

TAX ID	Owner	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	Style
3600193710	Barnes	1.12	Oct-13	\$248,000	2013	3,400	\$72.94	2 Story
3601105180	Nackley	0.95	Dec-13	\$253,000	2013	3,400	\$74.41	2 Story
3600192528	Mattheis	1.12	Oct-13	\$238,000	2013	3,194	\$74.51	2 Story
3600198928	Beckman	0.93	Mar-14	\$250,000	2014	3,292	\$75.94	2 Story
3600196965	Hough	0.81	Jun-14	\$224,000	2014	2,434	\$92.03	2 Story
3600193914	Preskitt	0.67	Jun-14	\$242,000	2014	2,825	\$85.66	2 Story
3600194813	Bordner	0.91	Apr-14	\$258,000	2014	3,511	\$73.48	2 Story
3601104147	Shaffer	0.73	Apr-14	\$255,000	2014	3,453	\$73.85	2 Story
	Average	0.91		\$246,000	2013.625	3,189	\$77.85	
	Median	0.92		\$249,000	2014	3,346	\$74.46	

Nearby Sales Before Solar Farm Announced

TAX ID	Owner	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	Style
3600191437	Thomas	1.12	Sep-12	\$225,000	2012	3,276	\$68.68	2 Story
3600087968	Lilley	1.15	Jan-13	\$238,000	2012	3,421	\$69.57	1.5 Story
3600087654	Burke	1.26	Sep-12	\$240,000	2012	3,543	\$67.74	2 Story
3600088796	Hobbs	0.73	Sep-12	\$228,000	2012	3,254	\$70.07	2 Story
	Average	1.07		\$232,750	2012	3,374	\$69.01	
	Median	1.14		\$233,000	2012	3,349	\$69.13	

Matched Pair Summary

	Adjoins Solar Farm		Nearby Solar Farm	
	Average	Median	Average	Median
Sales Price	\$253,600	\$253,000	\$246,000	\$249,000
Year Built	2013	2013	2014	2014
Size	3,418	3,400	3,189	3,346
Price/SF	\$74.27	\$74.41	\$77.85	\$74.46

Percentage Differences

Median Price	-2%
Median Size	-2%
Median Price/SF	0%

I note that 2308 Granville Drive sold again in November 2015 for \$267,500, or \$7,500 more than when it was purchased new from the builder two years earlier (Tax ID 3600195361, Owner: Leak). The neighborhood is clearly showing appreciation for homes adjoining the solar farm.

The Median Price is the best indicator to follow in any analysis as it avoids outlying samples that would otherwise skew the results. The median sizes and median prices are all consistent throughout the sales both before and after the solar farm whether you look at sites adjoining or nearby to the solar farm. The average size for the homes nearby the solar farm shows a smaller building size and a higher price per square foot. This reflects a common occurrence in real estate where the price per square foot goes up as the size goes down. So even comparing averages the indication is for no impact, but I rely on the median rates as the most reliable indication for any such analysis.

I have also considered four more recent resales of homes in this community as shown on the following page. These comparable sales adjoin the solar farm at distances ranging from 315 to 400 feet. The matched pairs show a range from -9% to +6%. The range of the average difference is -2% to +1% with an average of 0% and a median of +0.5%. These comparable sales support a finding of no impact on property value.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
	Adjoins	103 Granville Pl	1.42	7/27/2018	\$265,000	2013	3,292	\$80.50	4/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		385
	Not	2219 Granville	1.15	1/8/2018	\$260,000	2012	3,292	\$78.98	4/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	634 Friendly	0.96	7/31/2019	\$267,000	2018	3,053	\$87.45	4/4.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	2403 Granville	0.69	4/23/2019	\$265,000	2014	2,816	\$94.11	5/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
												Avg	
	Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	% Diff	
	Adjoins	103 Granville Pl								\$265,000		-2%	
	Not	2219 Granville	\$4,382		\$1,300	\$0				\$265,682	0%		
	Not	634 Friendly	-\$8,303		-\$6,675	\$16,721	-\$10,000			\$258,744	2%		
	Not	2403 Granville	-\$6,029		-\$1,325	\$31,356				\$289,001	-9%		

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
	Adjoins	104 Erin	2.24	6/19/2017	\$280,000	2014	3,549	\$78.90	5/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		315
	Not	2219 Granville	1.15	1/8/2018	\$260,000	2012	3,292	\$78.98	4/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	634 Friendly	0.96	7/31/2019	\$267,000	2018	3,053	\$87.45	4/4.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	2403 Granville	0.69	4/23/2019	\$265,000	2014	2,816	\$94.11	5/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
												Avg	
	Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	% Diff	
	Adjoins	104 Erin								\$280,000		0%	
	Not	2219 Granville	-\$4,448		\$2,600	\$16,238				\$274,390	2%		
	Not	634 Friendly	-\$17,370		-\$5,340	\$34,702	-\$10,000			\$268,992	4%		
	Not	2403 Granville	-\$15,029		\$0	\$48,285				\$298,256	-7%		

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
	Adjoins	2312 Granville	0.75	5/1/2018	\$284,900	2013	3,453	\$82.51	5/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		400
	Not	2219 Granville	1.15	1/8/2018	\$260,000	2012	3,292	\$78.98	4/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	634 Friendly	0.96	7/31/2019	\$267,000	2018	3,053	\$87.45	4/4.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	2403 Granville	0.69	4/23/2019	\$265,000	2014	2,816	\$94.11	5/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
												Avg	
	Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	% Diff	
	Adjoins	2312 Granville								\$284,900		1%	
	Not	2219 Granville	\$2,476		\$1,300	\$10,173				\$273,948	4%		
	Not	634 Friendly	-\$10,260		-\$6,675	\$27,986	-\$10,000			\$268,051	6%		
	Not	2403 Granville	-\$7,972		-\$1,325	\$47,956				\$303,659	-7%		

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
	Adjoins	2310 Granville	0.76	5/14/2019	\$280,000	2013	3,292	\$85.05	5/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		400
	Not	2219 Granville	1.15	1/8/2018	\$260,000	2012	3,292	\$78.98	4/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	634 Friendly	0.96	7/31/2019	\$267,000	2018	3,053	\$87.45	4/4.5	2-Car	2-Story		
	Not	2403 Granville	0.69	4/23/2019	\$265,000	2014	2,816	\$94.11	5/3.5	2-Car	2-Story		
												Avg	
	Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	% Diff	
	Adjoins	2310 Granville								\$280,000		1%	
	Not	2219 Granville	\$10,758		\$1,300	\$0				\$272,058	3%		
	Not	634 Friendly	-\$1,755		-\$6,675	\$16,721	-\$10,000			\$265,291	5%		
	Not	2403 Granville	\$469		-\$1,325	\$31,356				\$295,500	-6%		

I have also considered the original sales prices in this subdivision relative to the recent resale values as shown in the chart below. This rate of appreciation is right at 2.5% over the last 6 years. Zillow indicates that the average home value within the 27530 zip code as of January 2014 was \$101,300 and as of January 2020 that average is \$118,100. This indicates an average increase in the market of 2.37%. I conclude that the appreciation of the homes adjoining the solar farm are not impacted by the presence of the solar farm based on this data.

Address	Initial Sale		Second Sale		Year Diff	% Apprec.		Apprec. %/Year
	Date	Price	Date	Price		Apprec.	Apprec.	
1 103 Granville Pl	4/1/2013	\$245,000	7/27/2018	\$265,000	5.32	\$20,000	8.16%	1.53%
2 105 Erin	7/1/2014	\$250,000	6/19/2017	\$280,000	2.97	\$30,000	12.00%	4.04%
3 2312 Granville	12/1/2013	\$255,000	5/1/2015	\$262,000	1.41	\$7,000	2.75%	1.94%
4 2312 Granville	5/1/2015	\$262,000	5/1/2018	\$284,900	3.00	\$22,900	8.74%	2.91%
5 2310 Granville	8/1/2013	\$250,000	5/14/2019	\$280,000	5.79	\$30,000	12.00%	2.07%
6 2308 Granville	9/1/2013	\$260,000	11/12/2015	\$267,500	2.20	\$7,500	2.88%	1.31%
7 2304 Granville	9/1/2012	\$198,000	6/1/2017	\$225,000	4.75	\$27,000	13.64%	2.87%
8 102 Erin	8/1/2014	\$253,000	11/1/2016	\$270,000	2.25	\$17,000	6.72%	2.98%
							Average	2.46%
							Median	2.47%

2. Matched Pair – Mulberry, Selmer, TN



This 16 MW solar farm was built in 2014 on 208.89 acres with the closest home being 480 feet.

This solar farm adjoins two subdivisions with Central Hills having a mix of existing and new construction homes. Lots in this development have been marketed for \$15,000 each with discounts offered for multiple lots being used for a single home site. I spoke with the agent with Rhonda Wheeler and Becky Hearnberger with United County Farm & Home Realty who noted that they have seen no impact on lot or home sales due to the solar farm in this community.

I have included a map below as well as data on recent sales activity on lots that adjoin the solar farm or are near the solar farm in this subdivision both before and after the announced plan for this solar farm facility. I note that using the same method I used to breakdown the adjoining uses at the subject property I show that the predominant adjoining uses are residential and agricultural, which is consistent with the location of most solar farms.

Adjoining Use Breakdown

	Acreage	Parcels
Commercial	3.40%	0.034
Residential	12.84%	79.31%
Agri/Res	10.39%	3.45%
Agricultural	73.37%	13.79%
Total	100.00%	100.00%

I have run a number of direct matched comparisons on the sales adjoining this solar farm as shown below. These direct matched pairs include some of those shown above as well as additional more recent sales in this community. In each of these I have compared the one sale adjoining the solar farm to multiple similar farm homes nearby that do not adjoin a solar farm to look for any potential impact from the solar farm.

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
3	Adjoins	491 Dusty	6.86	10/28/2016	\$176,000	2009	1,801	\$97.72	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	820 Lake Trail	1.00	6/8/2018	\$168,000	2013	1,869	\$89.89	4/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	262 Country	1.00	1/17/2018	\$145,000	2000	1,860	\$77.96	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	35 April	1.15	8/16/2016	\$185,000	2016	1,980	\$93.43	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Parcel	Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Distance
3	Adjoins	491 Dusty							\$176,000		480
	Not	820 Lake Trail	-\$8,324	\$12,000	-\$3,360	-\$4,890			\$163,426	7%	
	Not	262 Country	-\$5,450	\$12,000	\$6,525	-\$3,680			\$154,396	12%	
	Not	35 April	\$1,138	\$12,000	-\$6,475	-\$13,380			\$178,283	-1%	
									Average	6%	

The best matched pair is 35 April Loop, which required the least adjustment and indicates a -1% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
12	Adjoins	57 Cooper	1.20	2/26/2019	\$163,000	2011	1,586	\$102.77	3/2	2-Gar	1.5 Story	Pool
	Not	191 Amelia	1.00	8/3/2018	\$132,000	2005	1,534	\$86.05	3/2	Drive	Ranch	
	Not	75 April	0.85	3/17/2017	\$134,000	2012	1,588	\$84.38	3/2	2-Crprt	Ranch	
	Not	345 Woodland	1.15	12/29/2016	\$131,000	2002	1,410	\$92.91	3/2	1-Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Parcel	Solar	Address	Sales Price	Time	Site	YB	GLA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Distance
12	Adjoins	57 Cooper	\$163,000							\$163,000		685
	Not	191 Amelia	\$132,000	\$2,303		\$3,960	\$2,685	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$155,947	4%	
	Not	75 April	\$134,000	\$8,029	\$4,000	-\$670	-\$135	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$155,224	5%	
	Not	345 Woodland	\$131,000	\$8,710		\$5,895	\$9,811		\$5,000	\$160,416	2%	
										Average	4%	

The best matched pair is 191 Amelia, which was most similar in time frame of sale and indicates a +4% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
15	Adjoins	297 Country	1.00	9/30/2016	\$150,000	2002	1,596	\$93.98	3/2	4-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	185 Dusty	1.85	8/17/2015	\$126,040	2009	1,463	\$86.15	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	
	Not	53 Glen	1.13	3/9/2017	\$126,000	1999	1,475	\$85.42	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	Brick

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Parcel	Solar	Address	Sales Price	Time	Site	YB	GLA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Distance
15	Adjoins	297 Country	\$150,000							\$150,000		650
	Not	185 Dusty	\$126,040	\$4,355		-\$4,411	\$9,167	\$10,000		\$145,150	3%	
	Not	53 Glen	\$126,000	-\$1,699		\$1,890	\$8,269	\$10,000		\$144,460	4%	
										Average	3%	

The best matched pair is 53 Glen, which was most similar in time frame of sale and required less adjustment. It indicates a +4% increase in value due to the solar farm adjacency.

The average indicated impact from these three sets of matched pairs is +4%, which suggests a mild positive relationship due to adjacency to the solar farm. The landscaping buffer for this project is mostly natural tree growth that was retained as part of the development but much of the trees separating the panels from homes are actually on the lots for the homes themselves. I therefore consider the landscaping buffer to be thin to moderate for these adjoining homes.

I have also looked at several lot sales in this subdivision as shown below.

These are all lots within the same community and the highest prices paid are for lots one parcel off from the existing solar farm. These prices are fairly inconsistent, though they do suggest about a \$3,000 loss in the lots adjoining the solar farm. This is an atypical finding and additional details suggest there is more going on in these sales than the data crunching shows. First of all Parcel 4 was purchased by the owner of the adjoining home and therefore an atypical buyer seeking to expand a lot and the site is not being purchased for home development. Moreover, using the SiteToDoBusiness demographic tools, I found that the 1-mile radius around this development is expecting a total population increase over the next 5 years of 3 people. This lack of growing demand for lots is largely explained in that context. Furthermore, the fact that finished home sales as shown above are showing no sign of a negative impact on property value makes this data unreliable and inconsistent with the data shown in sales to an end user. I therefore place little weight on this outlier data.

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	4/18/2019 Adj for Time	\$/AC	4/18/2019 Adj for Time
4	Adjoins	Shelter	2.05	10/25/2017	\$16,000	\$16,728	\$7,805	\$8,160
10	Adjoins	Carter	1.70	8/2/2018	\$14,000	\$14,306	\$8,235	\$8,415
11	Adjoins	Cooper	1.28	9/17/2018	\$12,000	\$12,215	\$9,375	\$9,543
	Not	75 Dusty	1.67	4/18/2019	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$11,976	\$11,976
	Not	Lake Trl	1.47	11/7/2018	\$13,000	\$13,177	\$8,844	\$8,964
	Not	Lake Trl	1.67	4/18/2019	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$11,976	\$11,976
		Adjoins	Per Acre	Not Adjoins	Per Acre	% DIF/Lot	% DIF/AC	
	Average	\$14,416	\$8,706	\$17,726	\$10,972	19%	21%	
	Median	\$14,306	\$8,415	\$20,000	\$11,976	28%	30%	
	High	\$16,728	\$9,543	\$20,000	\$11,976	16%	20%	
	Low	\$12,215	\$8,160	\$13,177	\$8,964	7%	9%	

3. Matched Pair – Leonard Road Solar Farm, Hughesville, MD



This 5 MW solar farm is located on 47 acres and mostly adjoins agricultural and residential uses to the west, south and east as shown above. The property also adjoins retail uses and a church. I looked at a 2016 sale of an adjoining home with a positive impact on value adjoining the solar farm of 2.90%. This is within typical market friction and supports an indication of no impact on property value.

I have shown this data below. The landscaping buffer is considered heavy.

Leonardtown Road Solar Farm, Hughesville, MD

Nearby Residential Sale After Solar Farm Construction

Address	Solar Farm Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price*	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	Style	BR/BA	Bsmt	Park	Upgrades	Other
14595 Box Elder Ct	Adjoins	2/12/2016	\$291,000	1991	2,174	\$133.85	Colonial	5/2.5	No	2 Car Att	N/A	Deck
15313 Bassford Rd	Not	7/20/2016	\$329,800	1990	2,520	\$130.87	Colonial	3/2.5	Finished	2 Car Att	Custom	Scr Por/Patio

*\$9,000 concession deducted from sale price for Box Elder and \$10,200 deducted from Bassford

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Date Sold	Sales Price	Time	Adjustments				Total
				GLA	Bsmt	Upgrades	Other	
14595 Box Elder Ct	2/12/2016	\$291,000						\$291,000
15313 Bassford Rd	7/20/2016	\$329,800	-\$3,400	-\$13,840	-\$10,000	-\$15,000	-\$5,000	\$282,560

Difference Attributable to Location \$8,440
2.90%

This is within typical market friction and supports an indication of no impact on property value.

4. Matched Pair – Gastonia SC Solar, Gastonia, NC



This 5 MW project is located on the south side of Neal Hawkins Road just outside of Gastonia. The property identified above as Parcel 4 was listed for sale while this solar farm project was going

5. Matched Pair – Summit/Ranchlands Solar, Moyock, NC



This project is located at 1374 Caritoke Highway, Moyock, NC. This is an 80 MW facility on a parent tract of 2,034 acres. Parcels Number 48 and 53 as shown in the map above were sold in 2016. The project was under construction during the time period of the first of the matched pair sales and the permit was approved well prior to that in 2015.

I looked at multiple sales of adjoining and nearby homes and compared each to multiple comparables to show a range of impacts from -10% up to +11% with an average of +2% and a median of +3%. These ranges are well within typical real estate variation and supports an indication of no impact on property value.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
48	Adjoins	129 Pinto	4.29	4/15/2016	\$170,000	1985	1,559	\$109.04	3/2	Drive	MFG		1,060
	Not	102 Timber	1.30	4/1/2016	\$175,500	2009	1,352	\$129.81	3/2	Drive	MFG		
	Not	120 Ranchland	0.99	10/1/2014	\$170,000	2002	1,501	\$113.26	3/2	Drive	MFG		
												Avg	
	Adjoins	129 Pinto										\$170,000	% Diff
	Not	102 Timber	\$276	\$10,000	-\$29,484	\$18,809						\$175,101	-3%
	Not	120 Ranchland	\$10,735	\$10,000	-\$20,230	\$4,598						\$175,103	-3%

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	105 Pinto	4.99	12/16/2016	\$206,000	1978	1,484	\$138.81	3/2	Det G	Ranch	
Not	111 Spur	1.15	2/1/2016	\$193,000	1985	2,013	\$95.88	4/2	Gar	Ranch	
Not	103 Marshall	1.07	3/29/2017	\$196,000	2003	1,620	\$120.99	3/2	Drive	Ranch	
Not	127 Ranchland	0.00	6/9/2015	\$219,900	1988	1,910	\$115.13	3/2	Gar/3Det	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

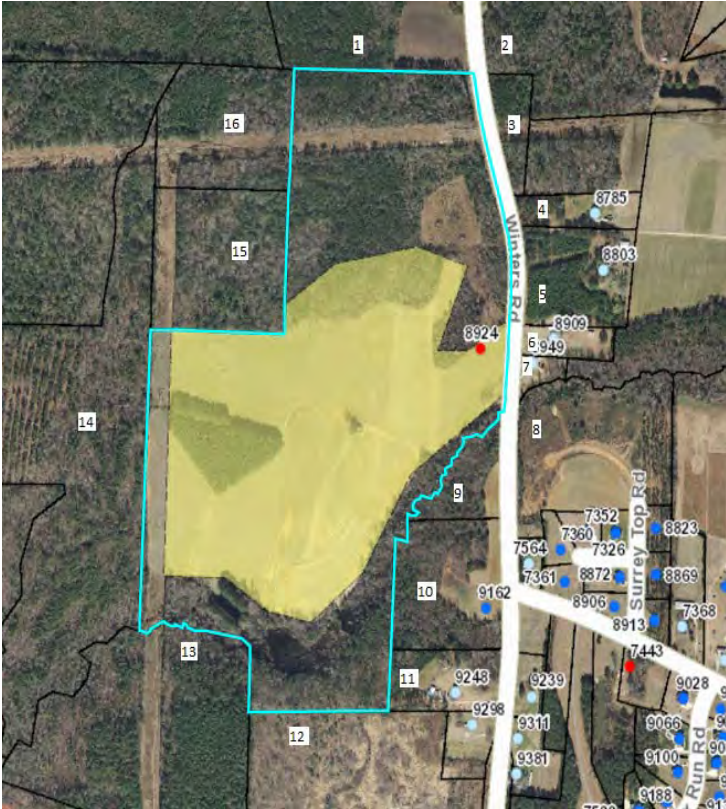
Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
105 Pinto								\$206,000			980
111 Spur	\$6,747	\$10,000	-\$6,755	-\$25,359				\$177,633	14%		
103 Marshall	-\$2,212	\$10,000	-\$24,500	-\$8,227		\$5,000		\$176,212	14%		
127 Ranchland	\$13,399	\$10,000	-\$10,995	-\$24,523		-\$10,000		\$197,781	4%		

11%

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
15	Adjoins	318 Green View	0.44	9/15/2019	\$357,000	2005	3,460	\$103.18	4/4	2-Car	1.5 Brick		570
	Not	195 St Andrews	0.55	6/17/2018	\$314,000	2002	3,561	\$88.18	5/3	2-Car	2.0 Brick		
	Not	336 Green View	0.64	1/13/2019	\$365,000	2006	3,790	\$96.31	6/4	3-Car	2.0 Brick		
	Not	275 Green View	0.36	8/15/2019	\$312,000	2003	3,100	\$100.65	5/3	2-Car	2.0 Brick		
												Avg	
	Adjoins	318 Green View										\$357,000	% Diff
	Not	195 St Andrews	\$12,040		\$4,710	-\$7,125	\$10,000					\$333,625	7%
	Not	336 Green View	\$7,536		-\$1,825	-\$25,425						\$340,286	5%
	Not	275 Green View	\$815		\$3,120	\$28,986	\$10,000					\$354,921	1%

6. Matched Pair – Tracy Solar, Bailey, NC



This project is located in rural Nash County on Winters Road with a 5 MW facility that was built in 2016 on 50 acres. A local builder acquired parcels 9 and 10 following construction as shown below

at rates comparable to other tracts in the area. They then built a custom home for an owner and sold that at a price similar to other nearby homes as shown in the matched pair data below. The retained woods provide a heavy landscaped buffer for this homesite.

Adjoining Land Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	Solar Farm	TAX ID	Grantor	Grantee	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/AC	Other
9 &10	Adjoins	316003 & 316004	Cozart	Kingsmill	9162 Winters	13.22	7/21/2016	\$70,000	\$5,295	
	Not	6056	Billingsly		427 Young	41	10/21/2016	\$164,000	\$4,000	
	Not	33211	Fulcher	Weikel	10533 Cone	23.46	7/18/2017	\$137,000	\$5,840	Doublewide, structures
	Not	106807	Perry	Gardner	Claude Lewis	11.22	8/10/2017	\$79,000	\$7,041	Gravel drive for sub, cleared
	Not	3437	Vaughan	N/A	11354 Old Lewis Sch	18.73	Listing	\$79,900	\$4,266	Small cemetery,wooded

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Acres	Location	Other	Adj \$/Ac	% Diff
				\$5,295	
\$0	\$400	\$0	\$0	\$4,400	17%
-\$292	\$292	\$0	-\$500	\$5,340	-1%
-\$352	\$0	\$0	-\$1,000	\$5,689	-7%
-\$213	\$0	\$0	\$213	\$4,266	19%
				Average	7%

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Completed

#	Solar Farm	n	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GLA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Style	Other
9 &10	Adjoins	s	9162 Winters	13.22	1/5/2017	\$255,000	2016	1,616	\$157.80	3/2	Ranch	1296 sf wrkshp
	Not	w	7352 Red Fox	0.93	6/30/2016	\$176,000	2010	1,529	\$115.11	3/2	2-story	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Acres	YB	GLA	Style	Other	Total	% Diff
						\$255,000	
\$0	\$44,000	\$7,392	\$5,007	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$252,399	1%

The comparables for the land show either a significant positive relationship or a mild negative relationship to having and adjoining solar farm, but when averaged together they show no negative impact. The wild divergence is due to the difficulty in comping out this tract of land and the wide variety of comparables used. The two comparables that show mild negative influences include a property that was partly developed as a residential subdivision and the other included a doublewide with some value and accessory agricultural structures. The tax assessed value on the improvements were valued at \$60,000. So both of those comparables have some limitations for comparison. The two that show significant enhancement due to adjacency includes a property with a cemetery located in the middle and the other is a tract almost twice as large. Still that larger tract after adjustment provides the best matched pair as it required the least adjustment. I therefore conclude that there is no negative impact due to adjacency to the solar farm shown by this matched pair.

The dwelling that was built on the site was a build-to-suit and was compared to a nearby homesale of a property on a smaller parcel of land. I adjusted for that differenced based on a \$25,000 value for a 1-acre home site versus the \$70,000 purchase price of the larger subject tract. The other adjustments are typical and show no impact due to the adjacency to the solar farm.

The closest solar panel to the home is 780 feet away.

I note that the representative for Kingsmill Homes indicated that the solar farm was never a concern in purchasing the land or selling the home. He also indicated that they had built a number of nearby homes across the street and it had never come up as an issue.

7. Matched Pair – Manatee Solar Farm, Parrish, FL



This solar farm is located near Seminole Trail, Parrish, FL. The solar farm has a 74.50 MW output and is located on a 1,180.38 acre tract and was built in 2016. The tract is owned by Florida Power & Light Company.

I have considered the recent sale of 13670 Highland Road, Wimauma, Florida. This one-story, concrete block home is located just north of the solar farm and separated from the solar farm by a railroad corridor. This home is a 3 BR, 3 BA 1,512 s.f. home with a carport and workshop. The property includes new custom cabinets, granite counter tops, brand new stainless steel appliances, updated bathrooms and new carpet in the bedrooms. The home is sitting on 5 acres. The home was built in 1997.

I have compared this sale to several nearby homesales as part of this matched pair analysis as shown below. The landscaping separating the home from the solar farm is considered heavy.

Solar	TAX ID/Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Note
Adjoins	13670 Highland	5.00	8/21/2017	\$255,000	1997	1,512	\$168.65	3/3	Carport/Wrkshp	Ranch	Renov.
Not	2901 Arrowsmith	1.91	1/31/2018	\$225,000	1979	1,636	\$137.53	3/2	2 Garage/Wrkshp	Ranch	
Not	602 Butch Cassidy	1.00	5/5/2017	\$220,000	2001	1,560	\$141.03	3/2	N/A	Ranch	Renov.
Not	2908 Wild West	1.23	7/12/2017	\$254,000	2003	1,554	\$163.45	3/2	2 Garage/Wrkshp	Ranch	Renov.
Not	13851 Highland	5.00	9/13/2017	\$240,000	1978	1,636	\$146.70	4/2	3 Garage	Ranch	Renov.

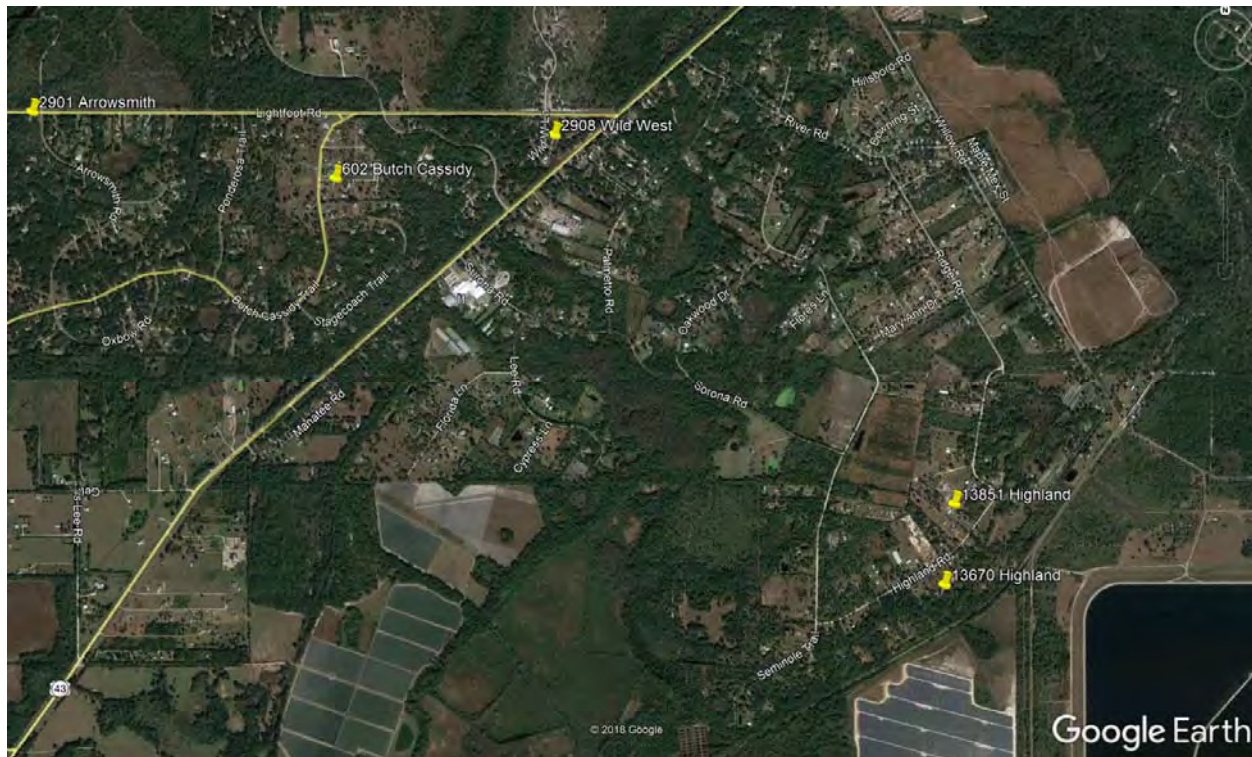
Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Solar	TAX ID/Address	Time	Acres	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Note	Total	% Diff
Adjoins	13670 Highland								\$255,000	
Not	2901 Arrowsmith	\$2,250	\$10,000	\$28,350	-\$8,527	\$5,000	-\$10,000	\$10,000	\$262,073	-3%
Not	602 Butch Cassidy	-\$2,200	\$10,000	-\$6,160	-\$3,385	\$5,000	\$2,000		\$225,255	12%
Not	2908 Wild West	\$0	\$10,000	-\$10,668	-\$3,432	\$5,000	-\$10,000		\$244,900	4%
Not	13851 Highland	\$0	\$0	\$31,920	-\$9,095	\$3,000	-\$10,000		\$255,825	0%
Average										3%

The sales prices of the comparables before adjustments range from \$220,000 to \$254,000. After adjustments they range from \$225,255 to \$262,073. The comparables range from no impact to a strong positive impact. The comparables showing -3% and +4% impact on value are considered within a typical range of value and therefore not indicative of any impact on property value.

This set of matched pair data falls in line with the data seen in other states. The closest solar panel to the home at 13670 Highland is 1,180 feet. There is a wooded buffer between these two properties.

I have included a map showing the relative location of these properties below.



8. Matched Pair – McBride Place Solar Farm, Midland, NC

This project is located on Mount Pleasant Road, Midland, North Carolina. The property is on 627 acres on an assemblage of 974.59 acres. The solar farm was approved in early 2017 for a 74.9 MW facility.

I have considered the sale of 4380 Joyner Road which adjoins the proposed solar farm near the northwest section. This property was appraised in April of 2017 for a value of \$317,000 with no consideration of any impact due to the solar farm in that figure. The property sold in November

2018 for \$325,000 with the buyer fully aware of the proposed solar farm. The landscaping buffer relative to Joyner Road, Hayden Way, Chanel Court and Kristi Lane is considered medium, while the landscaping for the home at the north end of Chanel Court is considered very light.

I have considered the following matched pairs to the subject property.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	4380 Joyner	12.00	11/22/2017	\$325,000	1979	1,598	\$203.38	3/2	2xGar	Ranch	Outbldg
Not	3870 Elkwood	5.50	8/24/2016	\$250,000	1986	1,551	\$161.19	3/2.5	Det 2xGar	Craft	
Not	8121 Lower Rocky	18.00	2/8/2017	\$355,000	1977	1,274	\$278.65	2/2	2xCarppt	Ranch	Eq. Fac.
Not	13531 Cabarrus	7.89	5/20/2016	\$267,750	1981	2,300	\$116.41	3/2	2xGar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Acres	YB	Condition	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff
								\$325,000	
\$7,500	\$52,000	-\$12,250	\$10,000	\$2,273	-\$2,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$317,523	2%
\$7,100	-\$48,000	\$4,970		\$23,156	\$0	\$3,000	-\$15,000	\$330,226	-2%
\$8,033	\$33,000	-\$3,749	\$20,000	-\$35,832	\$0	\$0	\$7,500	\$296,702	9%
								Average	3%

The home at 4380 Joyner Road is 275 feet from the closest solar panel.

I also considered the recent sale of a lot at 5800 Kristi Lane that is on the east side of the proposed solar farm. This 4.22-acre lot sold in December 2017 for \$94,000. A home was built on this lot in 2019 with the closest point from home to panel at 689 feet. The home site is heavily wooded and their remains a wooded buffer between the solar panels and the home. I spoke with the broker, Margaret Dabbs, who indicated that the solar farm was considered a positive by both buyer and seller as it insures no subdivision will be happening in that area. Buyers in this market are looking for privacy and seclusion.

The breakdown of recent lot sales on Kristi are shown below with the lowest price paid for the lot with no solar farm exposure, though that lot has exposure to Mt Pleasant Road South. Still the older lot sales have exposure to the solar farm and sold for higher prices than the front lot and adjusting for time would only increase that difference.

Adjoining Lot Sales After Solar Farm Built

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/AC	\$/Lot
	Adjoins	5811 Kristi	3.74	5/1/2018	\$100,000	\$26,738	\$100,000
	Adjoins	5800 Kristi	4.22	12/1/2017	\$94,000	\$22,275	\$94,000
	Not	5822 Kristi	3.43	2/24/2020	\$90,000	\$26,239	\$90,000

The lot at 5811 Kristi Lane sold in May 2018 for \$100,000 for a 3.74-acre lot. The home that was built later in 2018 is 505 feet to the closest solar panel. This home then sold to a homeowner for \$530,000 in April 2020. I have compared this home sale to other properties in the area as shown below.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Built

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	5811 Kristi	3.74	3/31/2020	\$530,000	2018	3,858	\$137.38	5/3.5	2 Gar	2-story	Cement Ext
Not	3915 Tania	1.68	12/9/2019	\$495,000	2007	3,919	\$126.31	3/3.5	2 Gar	2-story	3Det Gar
Not	6782 Manatee	1.33	3/8/2020	\$460,000	1998	3,776	\$121.82	4/2/2h	2 Gar	2-story	Water
Not	314 Old Hickory	1.24	9/20/2019	\$492,500	2017	3,903	\$126.18	6/4.5	2 Gar	2-story	

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff
Adjoins	5811 Kristi								\$530,000		5%
Not	3915 Tania	\$6,285		\$27,225	-\$3,852			-\$20,000	\$504,657	5%	
Not	6782 Manatee	\$1,189		\$46,000	\$4,995	\$5,000			\$517,183	2%	
Not	314 Old Hickory	\$10,680		\$2,463	-\$2,839	-\$10,000			\$492,803	7%	

After adjusting the comparables, I found that the average adjusted value shows a slight increase in value for the subject property adjoining a solar farm. As in the other cases, this is a mild positive impact on value but within the typical range of real estate transactions.

I also looked at 5833 Kristi Lane that sold on 9/14/2020 for \$625,000. This home is 470 feet from the closest panel.

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Nearby	5833 Kristi	4.05	9/14/2020	\$625,000	2008	4,373	\$142.92	5/4	3-Car	2-Brick	
Not	4055 Dakeita	4.90	12/30/2020	\$629,000	2005	4,427	\$142.08	4/4	4-Car	2-Brick	4DetGar/Stable
Not	9615 Bales	2.16	6/30/2020	\$620,000	2007	4,139	\$149.79	4/5	3-Car	2-Stone	2DetGar
Not	9522 Bales	1.47	6/18/2020	\$600,000	2007	4,014	\$149.48	4/4.5	3-Car	2-Stone	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
5833 Kristi								\$625,000			470
4055 Dakeita	-\$9,220		\$5,661	-\$6,138			-\$25,000	\$594,303	5%		
9615 Bales	\$6,455		\$1,860	\$28,042	-\$10,000	-\$15,000		\$631,356	-1%		
9522 Bales	\$7,233		\$1,800	\$42,930	-\$5,000			\$646,963	-4%		
									0%		

The average difference is 0% impact and the differences are all within a close range with this set of comparables and supports a finding of no impact on property value.

I have also looked at 4504 Chanel Court. This home sold on January 1, 2020 for \$393,500 for this 3,010 square foot home built in 2004 with 3 bedrooms, 3.5 bathrooms, and a 3-car garage. This home includes a full partially finished basement that significantly complicates comparing this to other sales. This home previously sold on January 23, 2017 for \$399,000. This was during the time that the solar farm was a known factor as the solar farm was approved in early 2017 and public discussions had already commenced. I spoke with Rachelle Killman with Real Estate Realty, LLC the buyer's agent for this transaction and she indicated that the solar farm was not a factor or consideration for the buyer. She noted that you could see the panels sort of through the trees, but it wasn't a concern for the buyer. She was not familiar with the earlier 2017 sale, but indicated that it was likely too high. This again goes back to the partially finished basement issue. The basement has a fireplace, and an installed 3/4 bathroom but otherwise bare studs and concrete floors with different buyers assigning varying value to that partly finished space. I also reached out to Don Gomez with Don Anthony Realty, LLC as he was the listing agent.

I also looked at the recent sale of 4599 Chanel Court. This home is within 310 feet of solar panels but notably does not have a good landscaping screen in place as shown in the photo below. The plantings appear to be less than 3-feet in height and only a narrow, limited screen of existing hardwoods were kept. The photograph is from the listing.

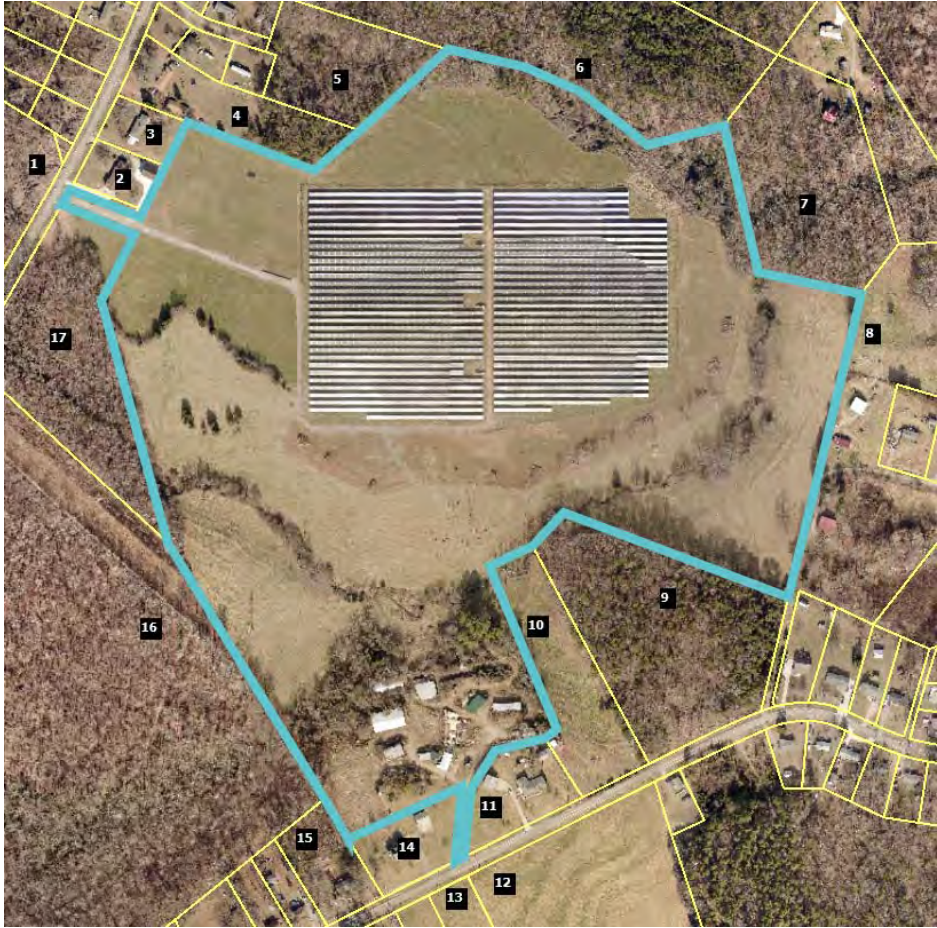
According to Scott David with Better Homes and Gardens Paracle Realty, this property was under contract for \$550,000 contingent on the buyer being able to sell their former home. The former home was apparently overpriced and did not sell and the contract stretched out over 2.5 months.

The seller was in a bind as they had a home they were trying to buy contingent on this closing and were about to lose that opportunity. A cash buyer offered them a quick close at \$500,000 and the seller accepted that offer in order to not lose the home they were trying to buy. According to Mr. David, the original contracted buyer and the actual cash buyer never considered the solar farm as a negative. In fact Mr. David noted that the actual buyer saw it as a great opportunity to purchase a home where a new subdivision could not be built behind his house. I therefore conclude that this property supports a finding of no impact on adjoining property, even where the landscaping screen still requires time to grow in for a year-round screen.

I also considered a sale/resale analysis on this property. This same home sold on September 15, 2015 for \$462,000. Adjusting this upward by 5% per year for the five years between these sales dates suggests a value of \$577,500. Comparing that to the \$550,000 contract that suggests a 5% downward impact, which is within a typical market variation. Given that the broker noted no negative impact from the solar farm and the analysis above, I conclude this sale supports a finding of no impact on value.



9. Matched Pair – Mariposa Solar, Gaston County, NC



This project is a 5 MW facility located on 35.80 acres out of a parent tract of 87.61 acres at 517 Blacksnsake Road, Stanley that was built in 2016.

I have considered a number of recent sales around this facility as shown below.

The first is identified in the map above as Parcel 1, which is 215 Mariposa Road. This is an older dwelling on large acreage with only one bathroom. I've compared it to similar nearby homes as shown below. The landscaping buffer for this home is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style
Adjoins	215 Mariposa	17.74	12/12/2017	\$249,000	1958	1,551	\$160.54	3/1	Garage	Br/Rnch
Not	249 Mariposa	0.48	3/1/2019	\$153,000	1974	1,792	\$85.38	4/2	Garage	Br/Rnch
Not	110 Airport	0.83	5/10/2016	\$166,000	1962	2,165	\$76.67	3/2	Crprt	Br/Rnch
Not	1249 Blacksnsake	5.01	9/20/2018	\$242,500	1980	2,156	\$112.48	3/2	Drive	1.5
Not	1201 Abernathy	27.00	5/3/2018	\$390,000	1970	2,190	\$178.08	3/2	Crprt	Br/Rnch

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved					Adjoining Sales Adjusted								
Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Time	YB	Acres	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff
Adjoins	215 Mariposa	17.74	12/12/2017	\$249,000								\$249,000	
Not	249 Mariposa	0.48	3/1/2019	\$153,000	-\$5,583	-\$17,136	\$129,450	-\$20,576	-\$10,000			\$229,154	8%
Not	110 Airport	0.83	5/10/2016	\$166,000	\$7,927	-\$4,648	\$126,825	-\$47,078	-\$10,000			\$239,026	4%
Not	1249 Blacksnake	5.01	9/20/2018	\$242,500	-\$5,621	-\$37,345	\$95,475	-\$68,048	-\$10,000	\$5,000		\$221,961	11%
Not	1201 Abernathy	27.00	5/3/2018	\$390,000	-\$4,552	-\$32,760	-\$69,450	-\$60,705	-\$10,000			\$212,533	15%
												Average	9%

The average difference after adjusting for all factors is +9% on average, which suggests an enhancement due to the solar farm across the street. Given the large adjustments for acreage and size, I will focus on the low end of the adjusted range at 4%, which is within the typical deviation and therefore suggests no impact on value.

I have also considered Parcel 4 that sold after the solar farm was approved but before it had been constructed in 2016. The landscaping buffer for this parcel is considered light.

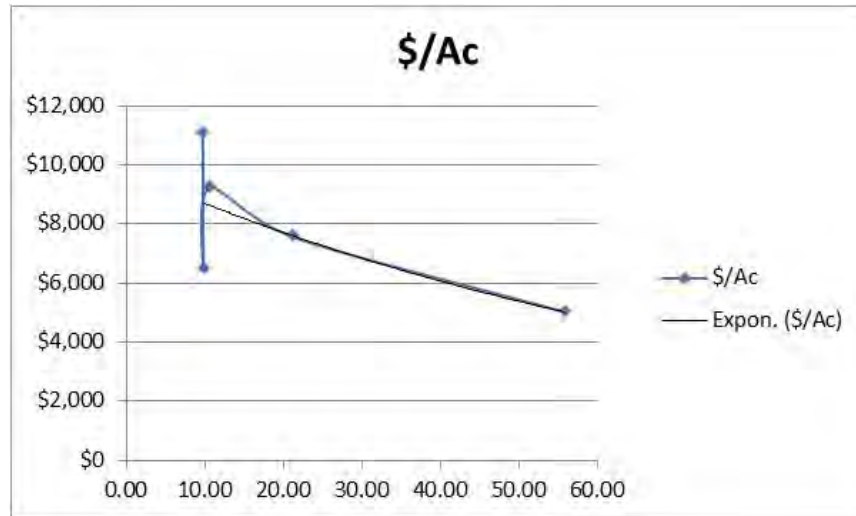
Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved												
Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	
Adjoins	242 Mariposa	2.91	9/21/2015	\$180,000	1962	1,880	\$95.74	3/2	Carport	Br/Rnch	Det Wrkshop	
Not	249 Mariposa	0.48	3/1/2019	\$153,000	1974	1,792	\$85.38	4/2	Garage	Br/Rnch		
Not	110 Airport	0.83	5/10/2016	\$166,000	1962	2,165	\$76.67	3/2	Crprt	Br/Rnch		
Not	1249 Blacksnake	5.01	9/20/2018	\$242,500	1980	2,156	\$112.48	3/2	Drive	1.5		

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved					Adjoining Sales Adjusted									
Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Time	YB	Acres	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	
Adjoins	242 Mariposa	2.91	9/21/2015	\$180,000								\$180,000		
Not	249 Mariposa	0.48	3/1/2019	\$153,000	-\$15,807	-\$12,852	\$18,468	\$7,513		-\$3,000	\$25,000	\$172,322	4%	
Not	110 Airport	0.83	5/10/2016	\$166,000	-\$3,165	\$0	\$15,808	-\$28,600			\$25,000	\$175,043	3%	
Not	1249 Blacksnake	5.01	9/20/2018	\$242,500	-\$21,825	-\$30,555	-\$15,960	-\$40,942		\$2,000	\$25,000	\$160,218	11%	
												Average	6%	

The average difference after adjusting for all factors is +6%, which is again suggests a mild increase in value due to the adjoining solar farm use. The median is a 4% adjustment, which is within a standard deviation and suggests no impact on property value.

I have also considered the recent sale of Parcel 13 that is located on Blacksnake Road south of the project. I was unable to find good land sales in the same 20-acre range, so I have considered sales of larger and smaller acreage. I adjusted each of those land sales for time. I then applied the price per acre to a trendline to show where the expected price per acre would be for 20 acres. As can be seen in the chart below, this lines up exactly with the purchase of the subject property. I therefore conclude that there is no impact on Parcel 13 due to proximity to the solar farm.

Adjoining Residential Land Sales After Solar Farm Approved						Adjoining Sales Adjusted	
Solar	Tax/Street	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/Ac	Time	\$/Ac
Adjoins	174339/Blacksnake	21.15	6/29/2018	\$160,000	\$7,565		\$7,565
Not	227852/Abernathy	10.57	5/9/2018	\$97,000	\$9,177	\$38	\$9,215
Not	17443/Legion	9.87	9/7/2018	\$64,000	\$6,484	-\$37	\$6,447
Not	164243/Alexis	9.75	2/1/2019	\$110,000	\$11,282	-\$201	\$11,081
Not	176884/Bowden	55.77	6/13/2018	\$280,000	\$5,021	\$7	\$5,027

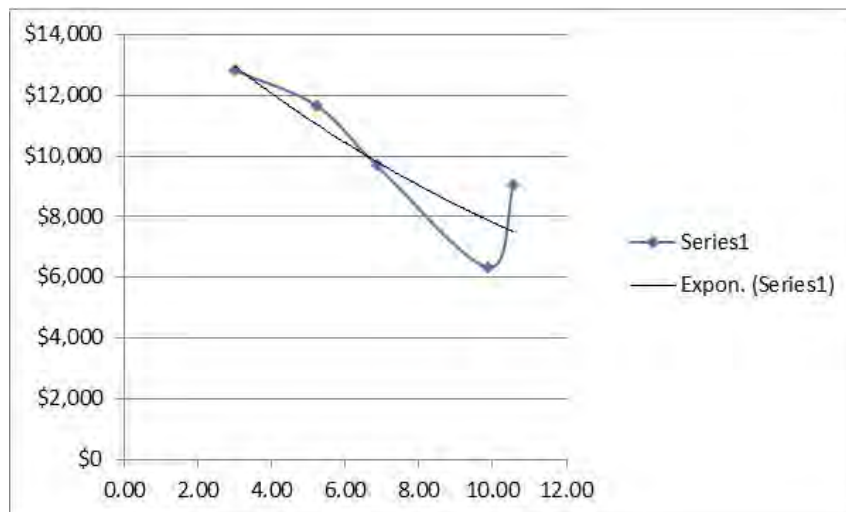


Finally, I have considered the recent sale of Parcel 17 that sold as vacant land. I was unable to find good land sales in the same 7 acre range, so I have considered sales of larger and smaller acreage. I adjusted each of those land sales for time. I then applied the price per acre to a trendline to show where the expected price per acre would be for 7 acres. As can be seen in the chart below, this lines up with the trendline running right through the purchase price for the subject property. I therefore conclude that there is no impact on Parcel 13 due to proximity to the solar farm. I note that this property was improved with a 3,196 square foot ranch built in 2018 following the land purchase, which shows that development near the solar farm was unimpeded.

Adjoining Residential Land Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Solar	Tax/Street	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/Ac	Time	Location	\$/Ac
Adjoins	227039/Mariposa	6.86	12/6/2017	\$66,500	\$9,694			\$9,694
Not	227852/Abernathy	10.57	5/9/2018	\$97,000	\$9,177	-\$116		\$9,061
Not	17443/Legion	9.87	9/7/2018	\$64,000	\$6,484	-\$147		\$6,338
Not	177322/Robinson	5.23	5/12/2017	\$66,500	\$12,715	\$217	-\$1,272	\$11,661
Not	203386/Carousel	2.99	7/13/2018	\$43,500	\$14,548	-\$262	-\$1,455	\$12,832



10. Matched Pair – Clarke County Solar, Clarke County, VA



This project is a 20 MW facility located on a 234-acre tract that was built in 2017.

11. Matched Pair – Simon Solar, Social Circle, GA



This 30 MW solar farm is located off Hawkins Academy Road and Social Circle Fairplay Road. I identified three adjoining sales to this tract after development of the solar farm. However, one of those is shown as Parcel 12 in the map above and includes a powerline easement encumbering over a third of the 5 acres and adjoins a large substation as well. It would be difficult to isolate those impacts from any potential solar farm impact and therefore I have excluded that sale. I also excluded the recent sale of Parcel 17, which is a farm with conservation restrictions on it that similarly would require a detailed examination of those conservation restrictions in order to see if there was any impact related to the solar farm. I therefore focused on the recent sale of Parcel 7 and the adjoining parcel to the south of that. They are technically not adjoining due to the access road for the flag-shaped lot to the east. Furthermore, there is an apparent access easement serving the two rear lots that encumber these two parcels which is a further limitation on these sales. This analysis assumes that the access easement does not negatively impact the subject property, though it may.

The landscaping buffer relative to this parcel is considered medium.

Adjoining Land Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	\$/AC	Type	Other
7+	Adjoins	4514 Hawkins	36.86	3/31/2016	\$180,000	\$4,883	Pasture	Esmts
	Not	HD Atha	69.95	12/20/2016	\$357,500	\$5,111	Wooded	N/A
	Not	Pannell	66.94	11/8/2016	\$322,851	\$4,823	Mixed	*
	Not	1402 Roy	123.36	9/29/2016	\$479,302	\$3,885	Mixed	**

* Adjoining 1 acre purchased by same buyer in same deed. Allocation assigned on the County Tax Record.

** Dwelling built in 1996 with a 2016 tax assessed value of \$75,800 deducted from sales price to reflect land value

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Time	Size	Type	Other	Total/Ac	% Diff	Avg % Diff
				\$4,883		
\$89	\$256			\$5,455	-12%	
-\$90	\$241			\$4,974	-2%	
-\$60	\$389			\$4,214	14%	
						0%

The range of impact identified by these matched pairs are -12% to +14%, with an average of 0% impact due to the solar farm. The best matched pair with the least adjustment supports a -2% impact due to the solar farm. I note again that this analysis considers no impact for the existing access easements that meander through this property and it may be having an impact. Still at -2% impact as the best indication for the solar farm, I consider that to be no impact given that market fluctuations support +/- 5%.

12. Matched Pair – Candace Solar, Princeton, NC



This 5 MW solar farm is located at 4839 US 70 Highway just east of Herring Road. This solar farm was completed on October 25, 2016.

I identified three adjoining sales to this tract after development of the solar farm with frontage on US 70. I did not attempt to analyze those sales as they have exposure to an adjacent highway and railroad track. Those homes are therefore problematic for a matched pair analysis unless I have similar homes fronting on a similar corridor.

I did consider a land sale and a home sale on adjoining parcels without those complications.

The lot at 499 Herring Road sold to Paradise Homes of Johnston County of NC, Inc. for \$30,000 in May 2017 and a modular home was placed there and sold to Karen and Jason Toole on September 29, 2017. I considered the lot sale first as shown below and then the home sale that followed. The landscaping buffer relative to this parcel is considered medium.

Adjoining Land Sales After Solar Farm Approved						Adjoining Sales Adjusted					
Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Other	Time	Site	Other	Total	% Diff
16	Adjoins	499 Herring	2.03	5/1/2017	\$30,000					\$30,000	
	Not	37 Becky	0.87	7/23/2019	\$24,500	Sub/Pwr	-\$1,679	\$4,900		\$27,721	8%
	Not	5858 Bizzell	0.88	8/17/2016	\$18,000		\$390	\$3,600		\$21,990	27%
	Not	488 Herring	2.13	12/20/2016	\$35,000		\$389			\$35,389	-18%
Average											5%

Following the land purchase, the modular home was placed on the site and sold. I have compared this modular home to the following sales to determine if the solar farm had any impact on the purchase price.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved												
Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
16	Adjoins	499 Herring	2.03	9/27/2017	\$215,000	2017	2,356	\$91.26	4/3	Drive	Modular	
	Not	678 WC	6.32	3/8/2019	\$226,000	1995	1,848	\$122.29	3/2.5	Det Gar	Mobile	Ag bldgs
	Not	1810 Bay V	8.70	3/26/2018	\$170,000	2003	2,356	\$72.16	3/2	Drive	Mobile	Ag bldgs
	Not	1795 Bay V	1.78	12/1/2017	\$194,000	2017	1,982	\$97.88	4/3	Drive	Modular	

Adjoining Residential Sales Af Adjoining Sales Adjusted												Avg	
Parcel	Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	% Diff	Distance
16	Adjoins	499 Herring								\$215,000			488
	Not	678 WC	-\$10,037	-\$25,000	\$24,860	\$37,275	-\$5,000	-\$7,500	-\$20,000	\$220,599	-3%		
	Not	1810 Bay V	-\$2,579	-\$20,000	\$11,900	\$0				\$159,321	26%		
	Not	1795 Bay V	-\$1,063		\$0	\$21,964				\$214,902	0%		
Average												8%	

The best comparable is 1795 Bay Valley as it required the least adjustment and was therefore most similar, which shows a 0% impact. This signifies no impact related to the solar farm.

The range of impact identified by these matched pairs ranges are therefore -3% to +26% with an average of +8% for the home and an average of +4% for the lot, though the best indicator for the lot shows a \$5,000 difference in the lot value due to the proximity to the solar farm or a -12% impact.

13. Matched Pair – Walker-Correctional Solar, Barham Road, Barhamsville, VA



This project was built in 2017 and located on 484.65 acres for a 20 MW with the closest home at 110 feet from the closest solar panel with an average distance of 500 feet.

I considered the recent sale identified on the map above as Parcel 19, which is directly across the street and based on the map shown on the following page is 250 feet from the closest panel. A

limited buffering remains along the road with natural growth being encouraged, but currently the panels are visible from the road. Alex Uminski, SRA with MGMiller Valuations in Richmond VA confirmed this sale with the buying and selling broker. The selling broker indicated that the solar farm was not a negative influence on this sale and in fact the buyer noticed the solar farm and then discovered the listing. The privacy being afforded by the solar farm was considered a benefit by the buyer. I used a matched pair analysis with a similar sale nearby as shown below and found no negative impact on the sales price. Property actually closed for more than the asking price. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	5241 Barham	2.65	10/18/2018	\$264,000	2007	1,660	\$159.04	3/2	Drive	Ranch	Modular
Not	17950 New Kent	5.00	9/5/2018	\$290,000	1987	1,756	\$165.15	3/2.5	3 Gar	Ranch	
Not	9252 Ordinary	4.00	6/13/2019	\$277,000	2001	1,610	\$172.05	3/2	1.5-Gar	Ranch	
Not	2416 W Miller	1.04	9/24/2018	\$299,000	1999	1,864	\$160.41	3/2.5	Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Solar	Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
Adjoins	5241 Barham								\$264,000		250
Not	17950 New Kent		-\$8,000	\$29,000	-\$4,756	-\$5,000	-\$20,000	-\$15,000	\$266,244	-1%	
Not	9252 Ordinary	-\$8,310	-\$8,000	\$8,310	\$2,581		-\$10,000	-\$15,000	\$246,581	7%	
Not	2416 W Miller		\$8,000	\$11,960	-\$9,817	-\$5,000	-\$10,000	-\$15,000	\$279,143	-6%	

Average Diff 0%

I also spoke with Patrick W. McCrerey of Virginia Estates who was marketing a property that sold at 5300 Barham Road adjoining the Walker-Correctional Solar Farm. He indicated that this property was unique with a home built in 1882 and heavily renovated and updated on 16.02 acres. The solar farm was through the woods and couldn't be seen by this property and it had no impact on marketing this property. This home sold on April 26, 2017 for \$358,000. I did not set up any matched pairs for this property since it is a unique property that any such comparison would be difficult to rely on. The broker's comments do support the assertion that the adjoining solar farm had no impact on value. The home in this case was 510 feet from the closest panel.

14. Matched Pair – Innovative Solar 46, Roslin Farm Rd, Hope Mills, NC



This project was built in 2016 and located on 532 acres for a 78.5 MW solar farm with the closest home at 125 feet from the closest solar panel with an average distance of 423 feet.

I considered the recent sale of a home on Roslin Farm Road just north of Running Fox Road as shown below. This sale supports an indication of no impact on property value. The landscaping buffer is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
Adjoins	6849 Roslin Farm	1.00	2/18/2019	\$155,000	1967	1,610	\$96.27	3/3	Drive	Ranch	Brick	435
Not	6592 Sim Canady	2.43	9/5/2017	\$185,000	1974	2,195	\$84.28	3/2	Gar	Ranch	Brick	
Not	1614 Joe Hall	1.63	9/3/2019	\$145,000	1974	1,674	\$86.62	3/2	Det Gar	Ranch	Brick	
Not	109 Bledsoe	0.68	1/17/2019	\$150,000	1973	1,663	\$90.20	3/2	Gar	Ranch	Brick	

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff
Adjoins	6849 Roslin Farm								\$155,000		5%
Not	6592 Sim Canady	\$8,278		-\$6,475	-\$39,444	\$10,000	-\$5,000		\$152,359	2%	
Not	1614 Joe Hall	-\$2,407		-\$5,075	-\$3,881	\$10,000	-\$2,500		\$141,137	9%	
Not	109 Bledsoe	\$404	\$10,000	-\$4,500	-\$3,346		-\$5,000		\$147,558	5%	

15. Matched Pair – Innovative Solar 42, County Line Rd, Fayetteville, NC



This project was built in 2017 and located on 413.99 acres for a 71 MW with the closest home at 135 feet from the closest solar panel with an average distance of 375 feet.

I considered the recent sales identified on the map above as Parcels 2 and 3, which is directly across the street these homes are 330 and 340 feet away. Parcel 2 includes an older home built in 1976, while Parcel 3 is a new home built in 2019. So the presence of the solar farm had no impact on new construction in the area.

The matched pairs for each of these are shown below. The landscaping buffer relative to these parcels is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
Adjoins	2923 County Ln	8.98	2/28/2019	\$385,000	1976	2,905	\$132.53	3/3	2-Car	Ranch	Brick/Pond	340
Not	1928 Shaw Mill	17.00	7/3/2019	\$290,000	1977	3,001	\$96.63	4/4	2-Car	Ranch	Brick/Pond/Rental	
Not	2109 John McM.	7.78	4/25/2018	\$320,000	1978	2,474	\$129.35	3/2	Det Gar	Ranch	Vinyl/Pool,Stable	

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff
Adjoins	2923 County Ln								\$385,000		3%
Not	1928 Shaw Mill	-\$3,055	\$100,000	-\$1,450	-\$7,422	-\$10,000			\$368,074	4%	
Not	2109 John McM.	\$8,333		-\$3,200	\$39,023	\$10,000		\$5,000	\$379,156	2%	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other	Distance
Adjoins	2935 County Ln	1.19	6/18/2019	\$266,000	2019	2,401	\$110.79	4/3	Gar	2-Story		330
Not	3005 Hemingway	1.17	5/16/2019	\$269,000	2018	2,601	\$103.42	4/3	Gar	2-Story		
Not	7031 Glynn Mill	0.60	5/8/2018	\$255,000	2017	2,423	\$105.24	4/3	Gar	2-Story		
Not	5213 Bree Brdg	0.92	5/7/2019	\$260,000	2018	2,400	\$108.33	4/3	3-Gar	2-Story		

Solar	Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff
Adjoins	2935 County Ln								\$266,000		3%
Not	3005 Hemingway	\$748		\$1,345	-\$16,547				\$254,546	4%	
Not	7031 Glynn Mill	\$8,724		\$2,550	-\$1,852				\$264,422	1%	
Not	5213 Bree Brdg	\$920		\$1,300	\$76			-\$10,000	\$252,296	5%	

Both of these matched pairs adjust to an average of +3% on impact for the adjoining solar farm, meaning there is a slight positive impact due to proximity to the solar farm. This is within the standard +/- of typical real estate transactions, which strongly suggests no impact on property value. I noted specifically that for 2923 County Line Road, the best comparable is 2109 John McMillan as it does not have the additional rental unit on it. I made no adjustment to the other sale for the value of that rental unit, which would have pushed the impact on that comparable downward – meaning there would have been a more significant positive impact.

19. Matched Pair – Grandy Solar, Grandy, NC



This 20 MW project was built in 2019 and located on a portion of 121 acres.

Parcels 40 and 50 have sold since construction began on this solar farm. I have considered both in matched pair analysis below. I note that the marketing for Parcel 40 (120 Par Four) identified the lack of homes behind the house as a feature in the listing. The marketing for Parcel 50 (269 Grandy) identified the property as “very private.” Landscaping for both of these parcels is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	120 Par Four	0.92	8/17/2019	\$315,000	2006	2,188	\$143.97	4/3	2-Gar	1.5 Story	Pool
Not	102 Teague	0.69	1/5/2020	\$300,000	2005	2,177	\$137.80	3/2	Det 3G	Ranch	
Not	112 Meadow Lk	0.92	2/28/2019	\$265,000	1992	2,301	\$115.17	3/2	Gar	1.5 Story	
Not	116 Barefoot	0.78	9/29/2020	\$290,000	2004	2,192	\$132.30	4/3	2-Gar	2 Story	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
120 Par Four								\$315,000			405
102 Teague	-\$4,636		\$1,500	\$910	\$10,000		\$20,000	\$327,774	-4%		
112 Meadow Lk	\$4,937		\$18,550	-\$7,808	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$320,679	-2%		
116 Barefoot	-\$12,998		\$2,900	-\$318			\$20,000	\$299,584	5%		

0%

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	269 Grandy	0.78	5/7/2019	\$275,000	2019	1,535	\$179.15	3/2.5	2-Gar	Ranch	
Not	307 Grandy	1.04	10/8/2018	\$240,000	2002	1,634	\$146.88	3/2	Gar	1.5 Story	
Not	103 Branch	0.95	4/22/2020	\$230,000	2000	1,532	\$150.13	4/2	2-Gar	1.5 Story	
Not	103 Spring Lf	1.07	8/14/2018	\$270,000	2002	1,635	\$165.14	3/2	2-Gar	Ranch	Pool

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	% Diff	Distance
269 Grandy								\$275,000			477
307 Grandy	\$5,550		\$20,400	-\$8,725	\$5,000	\$10,000		\$272,225	1%		
103 Branch	-\$8,847		\$21,850	\$270				\$243,273	12%		
103 Spring Lf	\$7,871		\$22,950	-\$9,908	\$5,000		-\$20,000	\$275,912	0%		
										4%	

Both of these matched pairs support a finding of no impact on value. This is reinforced by the listings for both properties identifying the privacy due to no housing in the rear of the property as part of the marketing for these homes.

20. Matched Pair – Champion Solar, Lexington County, SC



This project is a 10 MW facility located on a 366.04-acre tract that was built in 2017.

I have considered the 2020 sale of an adjoining home located off 517 Old Charleston Road. Landscaping is considered light.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	517 Old Charleston	11.05	8/25/2020	\$110,000	1962	925	\$118.92	3/1	Crport	Br Rnch	
Not	133 Buena Vista	2.65	6/21/2020	\$115,000	1979	1,104	\$104.17	2/2	Crport	Br Rnch	
Not	214 Crystal Spr	2.13	6/10/2019	\$102,500	1970	1,025	\$100.00	3/2	Crport	Rnch	
Not	1429 Laurel	2.10	2/21/2019	\$126,000	1960	1,250	\$100.80	2/1.5	Open	Br Rnch	3 Gar/Brn

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Site	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
517 Old Charleston								\$110,000			505
133 Buena Vista	\$410	\$17,000	-\$9,775	-\$14,917	-\$10,000			\$97,718	11%		
214 Crystal Spr	\$2,482	\$18,000	-\$4,100	-\$8,000	-\$10,000		\$10,000	\$110,882	-1%		
1429 Laurel	\$3,804	\$18,000	\$1,260	-\$26,208	-\$5,000	\$5,000	-\$15,000	\$107,856	2%	4%	

21. Matched Pair – Barefoot Bay Solar Farm, Barefoot Bay, FL



This project is located on 504 acres for a 704.5 MW facility. Most of the adjoining uses are medium density residential with some lower density agricultural uses to the southwest. This project was built in 2018. There is a new subdivision under development to the west.

I have considered a number of recent home sales from the Barefoot Bay Golf Course in the Barefoot Bay Recreation District. There are a number of sales of these mobile/manufactured homes along the eastern boundary and the lower northern boundary. I have compared those home sales to other similar homes in the same community but without the exposure to the solar farm. Staying within the same community keeps location and amenity impacts consistent. I did avoid any comparison with home sales with golf course or lakefront views as that would introduce another variable.

The six manufactured/double wide homes shown below were each compared to three similar homes in the same community and are consistently showing no impact on the adjoining property values. Based on the photos from the listings, there is limited but some visibility of the solar farm to the east, but the canal and landscaping between are providing a good visual buffer and actually are commanding a premium over the non-canal homes.

Landscaping for these adjoining homes is considered light, though photographs from the listings show that those homes on Papaya that adjoin the solar farm from east/west have no visibility of the solar farm and is effectively medium density due to the height differential. The homes that adjoin the solar farm from north/south along Papaya have some filtered view of the solar farm through the trees.

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
14	Adjoins	465 Papaya Cr	0.12	7/21/2019	\$155,000	1993	1,104	\$140.40	2/2	Drive	Manuf	Canal
	Not	1108 Navajo	0.14	2/27/2019	\$129,000	1984	1,220	\$105.74	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Canal
	Not	1007 Barefoot	0.11	9/3/2020	\$168,000	2005	1,052	\$159.70	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Canal
	Not	1132 Waterway	0.11	7/10/2020	\$129,000	1982	1,012	\$127.47	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Canal

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
465 Papaya Cr							\$155,000			765
1108 Navajo	\$1,565	\$5,805	-\$9,812				\$126,558	18%		
1007 Barefoot	-\$5,804	-\$10,080	\$6,643				\$158,759	-2%		
1132 Waterway	-\$3,859	\$7,095	\$9,382				\$141,618	9%	8%	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
19	Adjoins	455 Papaya	0.12	9/1/2020	\$183,500	2005	1,620	\$113.27	3/2	Crprt	Manuf	Canal
	Not	938 Waterway	0.11	2/12/2020	\$160,000	1986	1,705	\$93.84	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Canal
	Not	719 Barefoot	0.12	4/14/2020	\$150,000	1996	1,635	\$91.74	3/2	Crprt	Manuf	Canal
	Not	904 Fir	0.17	9/27/2020	\$192,500	2010	1,626	\$118.39	3/2	Crprt	Manuf	Canal

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
455 Papaya							\$183,500			750
938 Waterway	\$2,724	\$15,200	-\$6,381				\$171,542	7%		
719 Barefoot	\$1,770	\$6,750	-\$1,101				\$157,419	14%		
904 Fir	-\$422	-\$4,813	-\$568				\$186,697	-2%	6%	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
37	Adjoins	419 Papaya	0.09	7/16/2019	\$127,500	1986	1,303	\$97.85	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green
	Not	865 Tamarind	0.12	2/4/2019	\$133,900	1995	1,368	\$97.88	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green
	Not	501 Papaya	0.10	6/15/2018	\$109,000	1986	1,234	\$88.33	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	
	Not	418 Papaya	0.09	8/28/2019	\$110,000	1987	1,248	\$88.14	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
419 Papaya							\$127,500			690
865 Tamarind	\$1,828	-\$6,026	-\$5,090				\$124,613	2%		
501 Papaya	\$3,637	\$0	\$4,876			\$5,000	\$122,513	4%		
418 Papaya	-\$399	-\$550	\$3,878			\$5,000	\$117,930	8%	5%	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
39	Adjoins	413 Papaya	0.09	7/16/2020	\$130,000	2001	918	\$141.61	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Grn/Upd
	Not	341 Loquat	0.09	2/3/2020	\$118,000	1985	989	\$119.31	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Full Upd
	Not	1119 Pocatella	0.19	1/5/2021	\$120,000	1993	999	\$120.12	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green
	Not	1367 Barefoot	0.10	1/12/2021	\$130,500	1987	902	\$144.68	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green/Upd

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
413 Papaya							\$130,000			690
341 Loquat	\$1,631	\$9,440	-\$6,777				\$122,294	6%		
1119 Pocatella	-\$1,749	\$4,800	-\$7,784			\$5,000	\$120,267	7%		
1367 Barefoot	-\$1,979	\$9,135	\$1,852				\$139,507	-7%	2%	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
48	Adjoins	343 Papaya	0.09	12/17/2019	\$145,000	1986	1,508	\$96.15	3/2	Crprt	Manuf	Gn/Fc/Upd
	Not	865 Tamarind	0.12	2/4/2019	\$133,900	1995	1,368	\$97.88	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green
	Not	515 Papaya	0.09	3/22/2018	\$145,000	2005	1,376	\$105.38	3/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green
	Not	849 Tamarind	0.15	6/26/2019	\$155,000	1997	1,716	\$90.33	3/2	Crprt	Manuf	Grn/Fnce

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
343 Papaya							\$145,000			690
865 Tamarind	\$3,566	-\$6,026	\$10,963				\$142,403	2%		
515 Papaya	\$7,759	-\$13,775	\$11,128				\$150,112	-4%		
849 Tamarind	\$2,273	-\$8,525	-\$15,030			\$5,000	\$138,717	4%		
									1%	

Adjoining Residential Sales After Solar Farm Approved

Parcel	Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GLA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
52	Nearby	335 Papaya	0.09	4/17/2018	\$110,000	1987	1,180	\$93.22	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green
	Not	865 Tamarind	0.12	2/4/2019	\$133,900	1995	1,368	\$97.88	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	Green
	Not	501 Papaya	0.10	6/15/2018	\$109,000	1986	1,234	\$88.33	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	
	Not	604 Puffin	0.09	10/23/2018	\$110,000	1988	1,320	\$83.33	2/2	Crprt	Manuf	

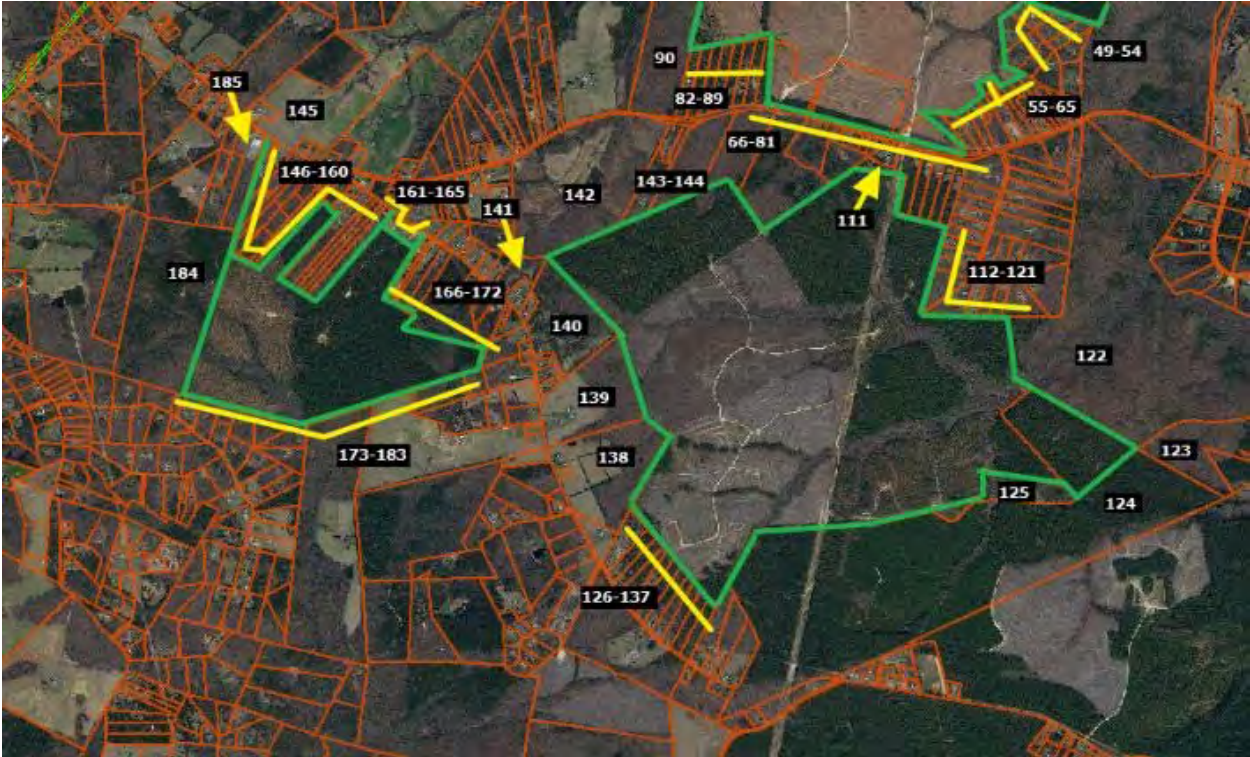
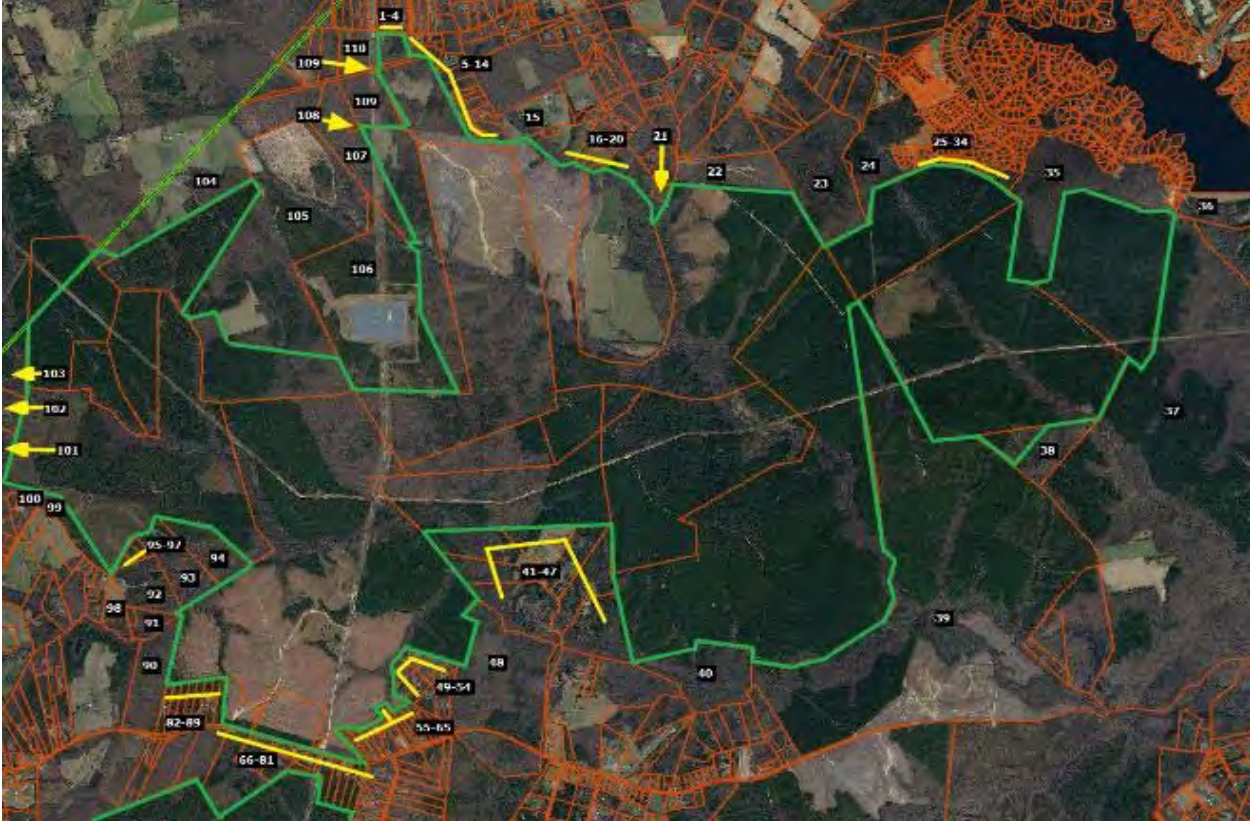
Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Avg % Diff	Distance
335 Papaya							\$110,000			710
865 Tamarind	-\$3,306	-\$5,356	-\$14,721			\$0	\$110,517	0%		
501 Papaya	-\$542	\$545	-\$3,816			\$5,000	\$110,187	0%		
604 Puffin	-\$1,752	-\$550	-\$9,333			\$5,000	\$103,365	6%		
									2%	

I also identified a new subdivision being developed just to the west of this solar farm called The Lakes at Sebastian Preserve. These are all canal-lot homes that are being built with homes starting at \$271,000 based on the website and closed sales showing up to \$342,000. According to Monique, the onsite broker with Holiday Builders, the solar farm is difficult to see from the lots that back up to that area and she does not anticipate any difficulty in selling those future homes or lots or any impact on the sales price. The closest home that will be built in this development will be approximately 340 feet from the nearest panel.

Based on the closed home prices in Barefoot Bay as well as the broker comments and activity at The Lakes at Sebastian Preserve, the data around this solar farm strongly indicates no negative impact on property value.

23. Matched Pair – Spotsylvania Solar, Paytes, VA



This solar farm is being built in four phases with the area known as Site C having completed construction in November 2020 after the entire project was approved in April 2019. Site C, also known as Pleinmont 1 Solar, includes 99.6 MW located in the southeast corner of the project and shown on the maps above with adjoining parcels 111 through 144. The entire Spotsylvania project totals 617 MW on 3500 acres out of a parent tract assemblage of 6,412 acres.

I have identified three adjoining home sales that occurred during construction and development of the site in 2020.

The first is located on the north side of Site A on Orange Plank Road. The second is located on Nottoway Lane just north of Caparthin Road on the south side of Site A and east of Site C. The third is located on Post Oak Road for a home that backs up to Site C that sold in September 2020 near the completion of construction for Site C.

Spotsylvania Solar Farm

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	12901 Orng Plnk	5.20	8/27/2020	\$319,900	1984	1,714	\$186.64	3/2	Drive	1.5	Un Bsmt
Not	8353 Gold Dale	3.00	1/27/2021	\$415,000	2004	2,064	\$201.07	3/2	3 Gar	Ranch	
Not	6488 Southfork	7.26	9/9/2020	\$375,000	2017	1,680	\$223.21	3/2	2 Gar	1.5	Barn/Patio
Not	12717 Flintlock	0.47	12/2/2020	\$290,000	1990	1,592	\$182.16	3/2.5	Det Gar	Ranch	

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
12901 Orng Plnk								\$319,900		1270
8353 Gold Dale	-\$5,219	\$20,000	-\$41,500	-\$56,298			-\$20,000	\$311,983	2%	
6488 Southfork	-\$401	-\$20,000	-\$61,875	\$6,071			-\$15,000	\$283,796	11%	
12717 Flintlock	-\$2,312	\$40,000	-\$8,700	\$17,779	-\$5,000	-\$5,000		\$326,767	-2%	

Average Diff 4%

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	9641 Nottoway	11.00	5/12/2020	\$449,900	2004	3,186	\$141.21	4/2.5	Garage	2-Story	Un Bsmt
Not	26123 Lafayette	1.00	8/3/2020	\$390,000	2006	3,142	\$124.12	3/3.5	Gar/DtG	2-Story	
Not	11626 Forest	5.00	8/10/2020	\$489,900	2017	3,350	\$146.24	4/3.5	2 Gar	2-Story	
Not	10304 Pny Brnch	6.00	7/27/2020	\$485,000	1998	3,076	\$157.67	4/4	2Gar/Dt2	Ranch	Fn Bsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
9641 Nottoway								\$449,900		1950
26123 Lafayette	-\$2,661	\$45,000	-\$3,900	\$4,369	-\$10,000	-\$5,000		\$417,809	7%	
11626 Forest	-\$3,624		-\$31,844	-\$19,187		-\$5,000		\$430,246	4%	
10304 Pny Brnch	-\$3,030		\$14,550	\$13,875	-\$15,000	-\$15,000	-\$10,000	\$470,396	-5%	

Average Diff 2%

Solar	Address	Acres	Date Sold	Sales Price	Built	GBA	\$/GBA	BR/BA	Park	Style	Other
Adjoins	13353 Post Oak	5.20	9/21/2020	\$300,000	1992	2,400	\$125.00	4/3	Drive	2-Story	Fn Bsmt
Not	9609 Logan Hgt	5.86	7/4/2019	\$330,000	2004	2,352	\$140.31	3/2	2Gar	2-Story	
Not	12810 Catharpian	6.18	1/30/2020	\$280,000	2008	2,240	\$125.00	4/2.5	Drive	2-Story Bsmt/Nd Pnt	
Not	10725 Rbrt Lee	5.01	10/26/2020	\$295,000	1995	2,166	\$136.20	4/3	Gar	2-Story	Fn Bsmt

Adjoining Sales Adjusted

Address	Time	Ac/Loc	YB	GLA	BR/BA	Park	Other	Total	% Diff	Dist
13353 Post Oak								\$300,000		1171
9609 Logan Hgt	\$12,070		-\$19,800	\$5,388		-\$15,000	\$15,000	\$327,658	-9%	
12810 Catharpian	\$5,408		-\$22,400	\$16,000	\$5,000		\$15,000	\$299,008	0%	
10725 Rbrt Lee	-\$849		-\$4,425	\$25,496		-\$10,000		\$305,222	-2%	

Average Diff -4%

All three of these homes are well set back from the solar panels at distances over 1,000 feet and are well screened from the project. All three show no indication of any impact on property value.

Conclusion – SouthEast Over 5 MW**Southeast USA Over 5 MW
Matched Pair Summary**

	Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2010-2020 Data)			Veg. Buffer
						Topo Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Pop.	Med. Income	Avg. Housing Unit	
1	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	38	5.00	2	38%	0%	23%	39%	1,523	\$37,358	\$148,375	Light
2	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	160	5.00	60	13%	73%	10%	3%	467	\$40,936	\$171,746	Lt to Med
3	Leonard	Hughesville	MD	47	5.00	20	18%	75%	0%	6%	525	\$106,550	\$350,000	Light
4	Gastonia SC	Gastonia	NC	35	5.00	48	33%	0%	23%	44%	4,689	\$35,057	\$126,562	Light
5	Summit	Moyock	NC	2,034	80.00	4	4%	0%	94%	2%	382	\$79,114	\$281,731	Light
6	Tracy	Bailey	NC	50	5.00	10	29%	0%	71%	0%	312	\$43,940	\$99,219	Heavy
7	Manatee	Parrish	FL	1,180	75.00	20	2%	97%	1%	0%	48	\$75,000	\$291,667	Heavy
8	McBride	Midland	NC	627	75.00	140	12%	10%	78%	0%	398	\$63,678	\$256,306	Lt to Med
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21	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320	Lt to Med
22	Miami-Dade	Miami	FL	347	74.50	0	26%	74%	0%	0%	127	\$90,909	\$403,571	Light
23	Spotyslvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	617.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333	Md to Hvy
	Average			485	57.04	38	24%	48%	22%	6%	923	\$63,955	\$237,700	
	Median			234	20.00	20	17%	59%	11%	0%	467	\$60,037	\$231,408	
	High			3,500	617.00	160	76%	98%	94%	44%	4,689	\$120,861	\$483,333	
	Low			35	5.00	0	1%	0%	0%	0%	48	\$35,057	\$99,219	

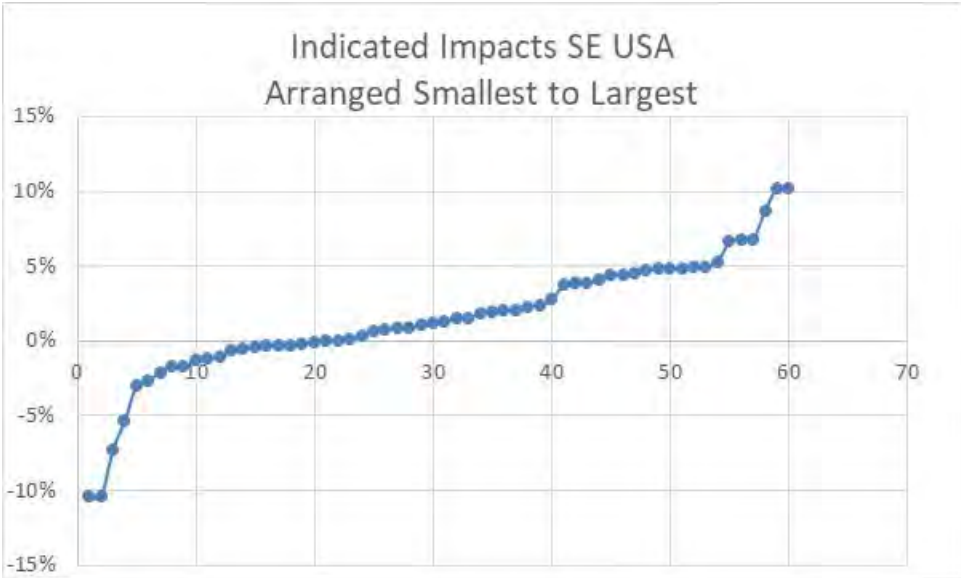
The solar farm matched pairs shown above have similar characteristics to each other in terms of population, but with several outliers showing solar farms in farm more urban areas. The median income for the population within 1 mile of a solar farm is \$60,037 with a median housing unit value of \$231,408. Most of the comparables are under \$300,000 in the home price, with \$483,333 being the high end of the set, though I have matched pairs in multiple states over \$1,000,000 adjoining solar farms. The adjoining uses show that residential and agricultural uses are the predominant adjoining uses. These figures are in line with the larger set of solar farms that I have looked at with the predominant adjoining uses being residential and agricultural and similar to the solar farm breakdown shown for Virginia and adjoining states as well as the proposed subject property.

Based on the similarity of adjoining uses and demographic data between these sites and the subject property, I consider it reasonable to compare these sites to the subject property.

I have pulled 56 matched pairs from the above referenced solar farms to provide the following summary of home sale matched pairs and land sales next to solar farms. The summary shows that the range of differences is from -10% to +10% with an average of +1% and median of +1%. This means that the average and median impact is for a slight positive impact due to adjacency to a solar farm. However, this +1 to rate is within the typical variability I would expect from real estate. I therefore conclude that this data shows no negative or positive impact due to adjacency to a solar farm.

While the range is seemingly wide, the graph below clearly shows that the vast majority of the data falls between -5% and +5% and most of those are clearly in the 0 to +5% range. This data strongly supports an indication of no impact on adjoining residential uses to a solar farm.

I therefore conclude that these matched pairs support a finding of no impact on value at the subject property for the proposed project, which as proposed will include a landscaped buffer to screen adjoining residential properties.



Residential Dwelling Matched Pairs Adjoining Solar Farms

Pair	Solar Farm	City	State	MW	Approx		Date	Adj. Sale		Veg.
					Distance	Tax ID/Address		Sale Price	Price	
1	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600195570	Sep-13	\$250,000		Light
						3600198928	Mar-14	\$250,000	\$250,000	0%
2	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600195361	Sep-13	\$260,000		Light
						3600194813	Apr-14	\$258,000	\$258,000	1%
3	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600199891	Jul-14	\$250,000		Light
						3600198928	Mar-14	\$250,000	\$250,000	0%
4	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600198632	Aug-14	\$253,000		Light
						3600193710	Oct-13	\$248,000	\$248,000	2%
5	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600196656	Dec-13	\$255,000		Light
						3601105180	Dec-13	\$253,000	\$253,000	1%
6	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600182511	Feb-13	\$247,000		Light
						3600183905	Dec-12	\$240,000	\$245,000	1%
7	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600182784	Apr-13	\$245,000		Light
						3600193710	Oct-13	\$248,000	\$248,000	-1%
8	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	280	3600195361	Nov-15	\$267,500		Light
						3600195361	Sep-13	\$260,000	\$267,800	0%
9	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	400	0900A011	Jul-14	\$130,000		Light
						099CA043	Feb-15	\$148,900	\$136,988	-5%
10	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	400	099CA002	Jul-15	\$130,000		Light
						0990NA040	Mar-15	\$120,000	\$121,200	7%
11	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	480	491 Dusty	Oct-16	\$176,000		Light
						35 April	Aug-16	\$185,000	\$178,283	-1%
12	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	650	297 Country	Sep-16	\$150,000		Medium
						53 Glen	Mar-17	\$126,000	\$144,460	4%
13	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	5	685	57 Cooper	Feb-19	\$163,000		Medium
						191 Amelia	Aug-18	\$132,000	\$155,947	4%
14	Leonard Rd	Hughesville	MD	5.5	230	14595 Box Elder	Feb-16	\$291,000		Light
						15313 Bassford Rd	Jul-16	\$329,800	\$292,760	-1%
15	Neal Hawkins	Gastonia	NC	5	225	609 Neal Hawkins	Mar-17	\$270,000		Light
						1418 N Modena	Apr-18	\$225,000	\$242,520	10%
16	Summit	Moyock	NC	80	1,060	129 Pinto	Apr-16	\$170,000		Light
						102 Timber	Apr-16	\$175,500	\$175,101	-3%
17	Summit	Moyock	NC	80	980	105 Pinto	Dec-16	\$206,000		Light
						127 Ranchland	Jun-15	\$219,900	\$198,120	4%
18	Tracy	Bailey	NC	5	780	9162 Winters	Jan-17	\$255,000		Heavy
						7352 Red Fox	Jun-16	\$176,000	\$252,399	1%
19	Manatee	Parrish	FL	75	1180	13670 Highland	Aug-18	\$255,000		Heavy
						13851 Highland	Sep-18	\$240,000	\$255,825	0%
20	McBride Place	Midland	NC	75	275	4380 Joyner	Nov-17	\$325,000		Medium
						3870 Elkwood	Aug-16	\$250,000	\$317,523	2%
21	McBride Place	Midland	NC	75	505	5811 Kristi	Mar-20	\$530,000		Medium
						3915 Tania	Dec-19	\$495,000	\$504,657	5%
22	Mariposa	Stanley	NC	5	1155	215 Mariposa	Dec-17	\$249,000		Light
						110 Airport	May-16	\$166,000	\$239,026	4%
23	Mariposa	Stanley	NC	5	570	242 Mariposa	Sep-15	\$180,000		Light
						110 Airport	Apr-16	\$166,000	\$175,043	3%
24	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	20	1230	833 Nations Spr	Jan-17	\$295,000		Light
						6801 Middle	Dec-17	\$249,999	\$296,157	0%
25	Candace	Princeton	NC	5	488	499 Herring	Sep-17	\$215,000		Medium
						1795 Bay Valley	Dec-17	\$194,000	\$214,902	0%
26	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	20	250	5241 Barham	Oct-18	\$264,000		Light
						9252 Ordinary	Jun-19	\$277,000	\$246,581	7%
27	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	385	103 Granville Pl	Jul-18	\$265,000		Light
						2219 Granville	Jan-18	\$260,000	\$265,682	0%
28	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	315	104 Erin	Jun-17	\$280,000		Light
						2219 Granville	Jan-18	\$265,000	\$274,390	2%
29	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	5	400	2312 Granville	May-18	\$284,900		Light
						2219 Granville	Jan-18	\$265,000	\$273,948	4%

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						634 Friendly	Jul-19	\$267,000	\$265,291	5%
31	Summit	Moyock	NC	80	570	318 Green View	Sep-19	\$357,000		Light
						336 Green View	Jan-19	\$365,000	\$340,286	5%
32	Summit	Moyock	NC	80	440	164 Ranchland	Apr-19	\$169,000		Light
						105 Longhorn	Oct-17	\$184,500	\$186,616	-10%
33	Summit	Moyock	NC	80	635	358 Oxford	Sep-19	\$478,000		Light
						176 Providence	Sep-19	\$425,000	\$456,623	4%
34	Summit	Moyock	NC	80	970	343 Oxford	Mar-17	\$490,000		Light
						218 Oxford	Apr-17	\$525,000	\$484,064	1%
35	Innov 46	Hope Mills	NC	78.5	435	6849 Roslin Farm	Feb-19	\$155,000		Light
						109 Bledsoe	Jan-19	\$150,000	\$147,558	5%
36	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	71	340	2923 County Line	Feb-19	\$385,000		Light
						2109 John McMillan	Apr-18	\$320,000	\$379,156	2%
37	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	71	330	2935 County Line	Jun-19	\$266,000		Light
						7031 Glynn Mill	May-18	\$255,000	\$264,422	1%
38	Sunfish	Willow Sprng	NC	6.4	205	7513 Glen Willow	Sep-17	\$185,000		Light
						205 Pine Burr	Dec-17	\$191,000	\$172,487	7%
39	Neal Hawkins	Gastonia	NC	5	145	611 Neal Hawkins	Jun-17	\$288,000		Light
						1211 Still Forrest	Jul-18	\$280,000	\$274,319	5%
40	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	20	1230	833 Nations Spr	Aug-19	\$385,000		Light
						2393 Old Chapel	Aug-20	\$330,000	\$389,286	-1%
41	Sappony	Stony Creek	VA	20	1425	12511 Palestine	Jul-18	\$128,400		Medium
						6494 Rocky Branch	Nov-18	\$100,000	\$131,842	-3%
42	Camden Dam	Camden	NC	5	342	122 N Mill Dam	Nov-18	\$350,000		Light
						548 Trotman	May-18	\$309,000	\$352,450	-1%
43	Grandy	Grandy	NC	20	405	120 Par Four	Aug-19	\$315,000		Light
						116 Barefoot	Sep-20	\$290,000	\$299,584	5%
44	Grandy	Grandy	NC	20	477	269 Grandy	May-19	\$275,000		Light
						103 Spring Leaf	Aug-18	\$270,000	\$275,912	0%
45	Champion	Pelion	SC	10	505	517 Old Charleston	Aug-20	\$110,000		Light
						1429 Laurel	Feb-19	\$126,000	\$107,856	2%
46	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	74.5	765	465 Papaya	Jul-19	\$155,000		Medium
						1132 Waterway	Jul-20	\$129,000	\$141,618	9%
47	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	74.5	750	455 Papaya	Sep-20	\$183,500		Medium
						904 Fir	Sep-20	\$192,500	\$186,697	-2%
48	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	74.5	690	419 Papaya	Jul-19	\$127,500		Medium
						865 Tamarind	Feb-19	\$133,900	\$124,613	2%
49	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	74.5	690	413 Papaya	Jul-20	\$130,000		Medium
						1367 Barefoot	Jan-21	\$130,500	\$139,507	-7%
50	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	74.5	690	343 Papaya	Dec-19	\$145,000		Light
						865 Tamarind	Feb-19	\$133,900	\$142,403	2%
51	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	74.5	710	335 Papaya	Apr-18	\$110,000		Light
						865 Tamarind	Feb-19	\$133,900	\$110,517	0%
52	Miami-Dade	Miami	FL	74.5	1390	13600 SW 182nd	Nov-20	\$1,684,000		Light
						17950 SW 158th	Oct-20	\$1,730,000	\$1,713,199	-2%
53	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	617	1270	12901 Orange Plnk	Aug-20	\$319,900		Medium
						12717 Flintlock	Dec-20	\$290,000	\$326,767	-2%
54	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	617	1950	9641 Nottoway	May-20	\$449,900		Medium
						11626 Forest	Aug-20	\$489,900	\$430,246	4%
55	Spotsylvania	Paytes	VA	617	1171	13353 Post Oak	Sep-20	\$300,000		Heavy
						12810 Catharpin	Jan-20	\$280,000	\$299,008	0%
56	McBride Place	Midland	NC	75	470	5833 Kristi	Sep-20	\$625,000		Light
						4055 Dakeita	Dec-20	\$600,000	\$594,303	5%

MW	Avg. Distance	Average	Indicated Impact
64.91	612	Average	1%
20.00	479	Median	1%
617.00	1,950	High	10%
5.00	145	Low	-10%

I have further broken down these results based on the MWs, Landscaping, and distance from panel to show the following range of findings for these different categories.

Most of the findings are for homes between 201 and 500 feet to the nearest panel. Most of the findings are for Light landscaping screens.

Light landscaping screens are showing no impact on value at any distances, including for solar farms over 75.1 MW.

MW Range									
4.4 to 10									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	1	19	2	0	1	2	0	0	1
Average	5%	2%	3%	N/A	0%	4%	N/A	N/A	1%
Median	5%	1%	3%	N/A	0%	4%	N/A	N/A	1%
High	5%	10%	4%	N/A	0%	4%	N/A	N/A	1%
Low	5%	-5%	3%	N/A	0%	4%	N/A	N/A	1%
10.1 to 30									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	0	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Average	N/A	4%	-1%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Median	N/A	5%	-1%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
High	N/A	7%	0%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low	N/A	0%	-1%	N/A	N/A	-3%	N/A	N/A	N/A
30.1 to 75									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	0	2	3	0	0	4	0	0	0
Average	N/A	1%	0%	N/A	N/A	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Median	N/A	1%	0%	N/A	N/A	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
High	N/A	2%	2%	N/A	N/A	9%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low	N/A	1%	-2%	N/A	N/A	-7%	N/A	N/A	N/A
75.1+									
Landscaping	Light	Light	Light	Medium	Medium	Medium	Heavy	Heavy	Heavy
Distance	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+	100-200	201-500	500+
#	0	2	5	0	0	2	0	0	1
Average	N/A	-3%	2%	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	0%
Median	N/A	-3%	4%	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	0%
High	N/A	5%	5%	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	N/A	0%
Low	N/A	-10%	-3%	N/A	N/A	-2%	N/A	N/A	0%

C. Summary of National Data on Solar Farms

I have worked in 19 states related to solar farms and I have been tracking matched pairs in most of those states. On the following pages I provide a brief summary of those findings showing 37 solar farms over 5 MW studied with each one providing matched pair data supporting the findings of this report.

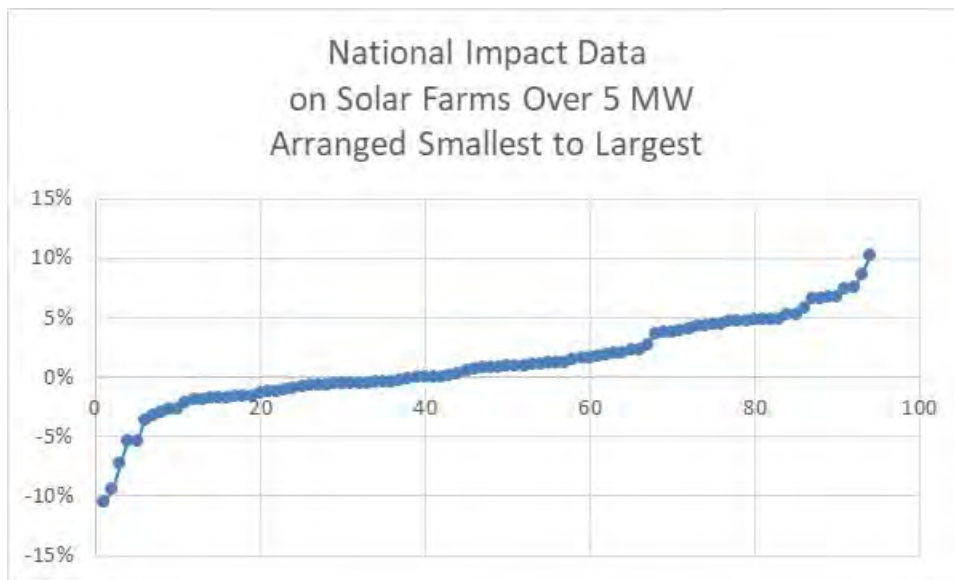
The solar farms summary is shown below with a summary of the matched pair data shown on the following page.

Matched Pair Summary						Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2010-2020 Data)			Veg. Buffer	
Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Topo	Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Popl.	Income	Unit		Med.
1	AM Best	Goldsboro	NC	38	5.00	2	38%	0%	23%	39%	1,523	\$37,358	\$148,375		Light
2	Mulberry	Selmer	TN	160	5.00	60	13%	73%	10%	3%	467	\$40,936	\$171,746		Lt to Med
3	Leonard	Hughesville	MD	47	5.00	20	18%	75%	0%	6%	525	\$106,550	\$350,000		Light
4	Gastonia SC	Gastonia	NC	35	5.00	48	33%	0%	23%	44%	4,689	\$35,057	\$126,562		Light
5	Summit	Moyock	NC	2,034	80.00	4	4%	0%	94%	2%	382	\$79,114	\$281,731		Light
7	Tracy	Bailey	NC	50	5.00	10	29%	0%	71%	0%	312	\$43,940	\$99,219		Heavy
8	Manatee	Parrish	FL	1,180	75.00	20	2%	97%	1%	0%	48	\$75,000	\$291,667		Heavy
9	McBride	Midland	NC	627	75.00	140	12%	10%	78%	0%	398	\$63,678	\$256,306		Lt to Med
10	Grand Ridge	Streator	IL	160	20.00	1	8%	87%	5%	0%	96	\$70,158	\$187,037		Light
11	Dominion	Indianapolis	IN	134	8.60	20	3%	97%	0%	0%	3,774	\$61,115	\$167,515		Light
12	Mariposa	Stanley	NC	36	5.00	96	48%	0%	52%	0%	1,716	\$36,439	\$137,884		Light
13	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	234	20.00	70	14%	39%	46%	1%	578	\$81,022	\$374,453		Light
14	Flemington	Flemington	NJ	120	9.36	N/A	13%	50%	28%	8%	3,477	\$105,714	\$444,696		Lt to Med
15	Frenchtown	Frenchtown	NJ	139	7.90	N/A	37%	35%	29%	0%	457	\$111,562	\$515,399		Light
16	McGraw	East Windsor	NJ	95	14.00	N/A	27%	44%	0%	29%	7,684	\$78,417	\$362,428		Light
17	Tinton Falls	Tinton Falls	NJ	100	16.00	N/A	98%	0%	0%	2%	4,667	\$92,346	\$343,492		Light
18	Simon	Social Circle	GA	237	30.00	71	1%	63%	36%	0%	203	\$76,155	\$269,922		Medium
19	Candace	Princeton	NC	54	5.00	22	76%	24%	0%	0%	448	\$51,002	\$107,171		Medium
20	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	485	20.00	N/A	12%	68%	20%	0%	203	\$80,773	\$320,076		Light
21	Innov 46	Hope Mills	NC	532	78.50	0	17%	83%	0%	0%	2,247	\$58,688	\$183,435		Light
22	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	414	71.00	0	41%	59%	0%	0%	568	\$60,037	\$276,347		Light
23	Demille	Lapeer	MI	160	28.40	10	10%	68%	0%	22%	2,010	\$47,208	\$187,214		Light
24	Turrill	Lapeer	MI	230	19.60	10	75%	59%	0%	25%	2,390	\$46,839	\$110,361		Light
25	Sunfish	Willow Spring	NC	50	6.40	30	35%	35%	30%	0%	1,515	\$63,652	\$253,138		Light
26	Picture Rocks	Tucson	AZ	182	20.00	N/A	6%	88%	6%	0%	102	\$81,081	\$280,172		None
27	Avra Valley	Tucson	AZ	246	25.00	N/A	3%	94%	3%	0%	85	\$80,997	\$292,308		None
28	Sappony	Stony Crk	VA	322	20.00	N/A	2%	98%	0%	0%	74	\$51,410	\$155,208		Medium
29	Camden Dam	Camden	NC	50	5.00	0	17%	72%	11%	0%	403	\$84,426	\$230,288		Light
30	Grandy	Grandy	NC	121	20.00	10	55%	24%	0%	21%	949	\$50,355	\$231,408		Light
31	Champion	Pelion	SC	100	10.00	N/A	4%	70%	8%	18%	1,336	\$46,867	\$171,939		Light
32	Eddy II	Eddy	TX	93	10.00	N/A	15%	25%	58%	2%	551	\$59,627	\$139,088		Light
33	Somerset	Somerset	TX	128	10.60	N/A	5%	95%	0%	0%	1,293	\$41,574	\$135,490		Light
34	DG Amp Piqua	Piqua	OH	86	12.60	2	26%	16%	58%	0%	6,735	\$38,919	\$96,555		Light
45	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320		Lt to Med
36	Miami-Dade	Miami	FL	347	74.50	0	26%	74%	0%	0%	127	\$90,909	\$403,571		Light
37	Spotyslvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	617.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333		Med to Hvy
Average				362	42.05	32	24%	52%	19%	6%	1,515	\$66,292	\$242,468		
Median				150	17.80	10	16%	59%	7%	0%	560	\$62,384	\$230,848		
High				3,500	617.00	160	98%	98%	94%	44%	7,684	\$120,861	\$515,399		
Low				35	5.00	0	1%	0%	0%	0%	48	\$35,057	\$96,555		

From these 37 solar farms, I have derived 94 matched pairs. The matched pairs show no negative impact at distances as close as 105 feet between a solar panel and the nearest point on a home. The range of impacts is -10% to +10% with an average and median of +1%.

	MW	Avg. Distance	Indicated Impact
Average	44.80	569	1%
Median	14.00	400	1%
High	617.00	1,950	10%
Low	5.00	145	-10%

While the range is broad, the two charts below show the data points in range from lowest to highest. There is only 3 data points out of 94 that show a negative impact. The rest support either a finding of no impact or 9 of the data points suggest a positive impact due to adjacency to a solar farm. As discussed earlier in this report, I consider this data to strongly support a finding of no impact on value as most of the findings are within typical market variation and even within that, most are mildly positive findings.



D. Larger Solar Farms

I have also considered larger solar farms to address impacts related to larger projects. Projects have been increasing in size and most of the projects between 100 and 1000 MW are newer with little time for adjoining sales. I have included a breakdown of solar farms with 20 MW to 80 MW facilities with one 617 MW facility.

Matched Pair Summary - @20 MW And Larger						Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2010-2019 Data)			Veg. Buffer
Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Topo Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Popl.	Med. Income	Avg. Housing Unit		
1	Summit	Moyock	NC	2,034	80.00	4	4%	0%	94%	2%	382	\$79,114	\$281,731	Light
2	Manatee	Parrish	FL	1,180	75.00	20	2%	97%	1%	0%	48	\$75,000	\$291,667	Heavy
3	McBride	Midland	NC	627	75.00	140	12%	10%	78%	0%	398	\$63,678	\$256,306	Lt to Med
4	Grand Ridge	Streator	IL	160	20.00	1	8%	87%	5%	0%	96	\$70,158	\$187,037	Light
5	Clarke Cnty	White Post	VA	234	20.00	70	14%	39%	46%	1%	578	\$81,022	\$374,453	Light
6	Simon	Social Circle	GA	237	30.00	71	1%	63%	36%	0%	203	\$76,155	\$269,922	Medium
7	Walker	Barhamsville	VA	485	20.00	N/A	12%	68%	20%	0%	203	\$80,773	\$320,076	Light
8	Innov 46	Hope Mills	NC	532	78.50	0	17%	83%	0%	0%	2,247	\$58,688	\$183,435	Light
9	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	414	71.00	0	41%	59%	0%	0%	568	\$60,037	\$276,347	Light
10	Demille	Lapeer	MI	160	28.40	10	10%	68%	0%	22%	2,010	\$47,208	\$187,214	Light
11	Turrill	Lapeer	MI	230	19.60	10	75%	59%	0%	25%	2,390	\$46,839	\$110,361	Light
12	Picture Rocks	Tucson	AZ	182	20.00	N/A	6%	88%	6%	0%	102	\$81,081	\$280,172	Light
13	Avra Valley	Tucson	AZ	246	25.00	N/A	3%	94%	3%	0%	85	\$80,997	\$292,308	None
14	Sappony	Stony Crk	VA	322	20.00	N/A	2%	98%	0%	0%	74	\$51,410	\$155,208	None
15	Grandy	Grandy	NC	121	20.00	10	55%	24%	0%	21%	949	\$50,355	\$231,408	Medium
16	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320	Lt to Med
17	Miami-Dade	Miami	FL	347	74.50	0	26%	74%	0%	0%	127	\$90,909	\$403,571	Light
18	Spotyslvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	617.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333	Med to Hvy
Average			640	76.03			19%	64%	17%	4%	721	\$69,501	\$262,659	
Median			335	29.20			12%	68%	2%	0%	293	\$72,579	\$273,135	
High			3,500	617.00			75%	98%	94%	25%	2,446	\$120,861	\$483,333	
Low			121	19.60			1%	0%	0%	0%	48	\$36,737	\$110,361	

The breakdown of adjoining uses, population density, median income and housing prices for these projects are very similar to those of the larger set. The matched pairs for each of these were considered earlier and support a finding of no negative impact on the adjoining home values.

I have included a breakdown of solar farms with 50 MW to 617 MW facilities adjoining.

Matched Pair Summary - @50 MW And Larger						Adj. Uses By Acreage					1 mile Radius (2010-2019 Data)			Veg. Buffer
Name	City	State	Acres	MW	Topo Shift	Res	Ag	Ag/Res	Com/Ind	Popl.	Med. Income	Avg. Housing Unit		
1	Summit	Moyock	NC	2,034	80.00	4	4%	0%	94%	2%	382	\$79,114	\$281,731	Light
2	Manatee	Parrish	FL	1,180	75.00	20	2%	97%	1%	0%	48	\$75,000	\$291,667	Heavy
3	McBride	Midland	NC	627	75.00	140	12%	10%	78%	0%	398	\$63,678	\$256,306	Lt to Med
4	Innov 46	Hope Mills	NC	532	78.50	0	17%	83%	0%	0%	2,247	\$58,688	\$183,435	Light
5	Innov 42	Fayetteville	NC	414	71.00	0	41%	59%	0%	0%	568	\$60,037	\$276,347	Light
6	Barefoot Bay	Barefoot Bay	FL	504	74.50	0	11%	87%	0%	3%	2,446	\$36,737	\$143,320	Lt to Med
7	Miami-Dade	Miami	FL	347	74.50	0	26%	74%	0%	0%	127	\$90,909	\$403,571	Light
8	Spotyslvania	Paytes	VA	3,500	617.00	160	37%	52%	11%	0%	74	\$120,861	\$483,333	Med to Hvy
Average			1,142	143.19			19%	58%	23%	1%	786	\$73,128	\$289,964	
Median			580	75.00			15%	67%	0%	0%	390	\$69,339	\$279,039	
High			3,500	617.00			41%	97%	94%	3%	2,446	\$120,861	\$483,333	
Low			347	71.00			2%	0%	0%	0%	48	\$36,737	\$143,320	

The breakdown of adjoining uses, population density, median income and housing prices for these projects are very similar to those of the larger set. The matched pairs for each of these were considered earlier and support a finding of no negative impact on the adjoining home values.

The data for these larger solar farms is shown in the SE USA and the National data breakdowns with similar landscaping, setbacks and range of impacts that fall mostly in the +/-5% range as can be seen earlier in this report.

On the following page I show 81 projects ranging in size from 50 MW up to 1,000 MW with an average size of 111.80 MW and a median of 80 MW. The average closest distance for an adjoining home is 263 feet, while the median distance is 188 feet. The closest distance is 57 feet. The mix of adjoining uses is similar with most of the adjoining uses remaining residential or agricultural in nature. This is the list of solar farms that I have researched for possible matched pairs and not a complete list of larger solar farms in those states.

Parcel #	State	City	Name	Output Total	Used	Avg. Dist	Closest	Adjoining Use by Acre			Com	
				(MW)	Acres	Acres	to home	Home	Res	Agri		Ag/R
78	NC	Moyock	Summit/Ranchland	80	2034		674	360	4%	94%	0%	2%
133	MS	Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg	50	1129	479.6	650	315	35%	65%	0%	0%
179	SC	Ridgeland	Jasper	140	1600	1000	461	108	2%	85%	13%	0%
211	NC	Enfield	Chestnut	75	1428.1		1,429	210	4%	96%	0%	0%
222	VA	Chase City	Grasshopper	80	946.25				6%	87%	5%	1%
226	VA	Louisa	Belcher	88	1238.1			150	19%	53%	28%	0%
305	FL	Dade City	Mountain View	55	347.12		510	175	32%	39%	21%	8%
319	FL	Jasper	Hamilton	74.9	1268.9	537	3,596	240	5%	67%	28%	0%
336	FL	Parrish	Manatee	74.5	1180.4		1,079	625	2%	50%	1%	47%
337	FL	Arcadia	Citrus	74.5	640				0%	0%	100%	0%
338	FL	Port Charlotte	Babcock	74.5	422.61				0%	0%	100%	0%
353	VA	Oak Hall	Amazon East(ern st	80	1000		645	135	8%	75%	17%	0%
364	VA	Stevensburg	Greenwood	100	2266.6	1800	788	200	8%	62%	29%	0%
368	NC	Warsaw	Warsaw	87.5	585.97	499	526	130	11%	66%	21%	3%
390	NC	Ellerbe	Innovative Solar 34	50	385.24	226	N/A	N/A	1%	99%	0%	0%
399	NC	Midland	McBride	74.9	974.59	627	1,425	140	12%	78%	9%	0%
400	FL	Mulberry	Alafia	51	420.35		490	105	7%	90%	3%	0%
406	VA	Clover	Foxhound	91	1311.8		885	185	5%	61%	17%	18%
410	FL	Trenton	Trenton	74.5	480		2,193	775	0%	26%	55%	19%
411	NC	Battleboro	Fern	100	1235.4	960.71	1,494	220	5%	76%	19%	0%
412	MD	Goldsboro	Cherrywood	202	1722.9	1073.7	429	200	10%	76%	13%	0%
434	NC	Conetoe	Conetoe	80	1389.9	910.6	1,152	120	5%	78%	17%	0%
440	FL	Debary	Debary	74.5	844.63		654	190	3%	27%	0%	70%
441	FL	Hawthorne	Horizon	74.5	684				3%	81%	16%	0%
484	VA	Newsoms	Southampton	100	3243.9		-	-	3%	78%	17%	3%
486	VA	Stuarts Draft	Augusta	125	3197.4	1147	588	165	16%	61%	16%	7%
491	NC	Misenheimer	Misenheimer 2018	80	740.2	687.2	504	130	11%	40%	22%	27%
494	VA	Shackelfords	Walnut	110	1700	1173	641	165	14%	72%	13%	1%
496	VA	Clover	Piney Creek	80	776.18	422	523	195	15%	62%	24%	0%
511	NC	Scotland Neck	American Beech	160	3255.2	1807.8	1,262	205	2%	58%	38%	3%
514	NC	Reidsville	Williamsburg	80	802.6	507	734	200	25%	12%	63%	0%
517	VA	Luray	Cape	100	566.53	461	519	110	42%	12%	46%	0%
518	VA	Emporia	Fountain Creek	80	798.3	595	862	300	6%	23%	71%	0%
525	NC	Plymouth	Macadamia	484	5578.7	4813.5	1,513	275	1%	90%	9%	0%
526	NC	Mooreboro	Broad River	50	759.8	365	419	70	29%	55%	16%	0%
555	FL	Mulberry	Durrance	74.5	463.57	324.65	438	140	3%	97%	0%	0%
560	NC	Yadkinville	Sugar	60	477	357	382	65	19%	39%	20%	22%
561	NC	Enfield	Halifax 80mw 2019	80	1007.6	1007.6	672	190	8%	73%	19%	0%
577	VA	Windsor	Windsor	85	564.1	564.1	572	160	9%	67%	24%	0%
579	VA	Paytes	Spotsylvania	500	6412	3500			9%	52%	11%	27%
582	NC	Salisbury	China Grove	65	428.66	324.26	438	85	58%	4%	38%	0%
583	NC	Walnut Cove	Lick Creek	50	1424	185.11	410	65	20%	64%	11%	5%
584	NC	Enfield	Sweetleaf	94	1956.3	1250	968	160	5%	63%	32%	0%
586	VA	Aylett	Sweet Sue	77	1262	576	1,617	680	7%	68%	25%	0%
593	NC	Windsor	Sumac	120	3360.6	1257.9	876	160	4%	90%	6%	0%
599	TN	Somerville	Yum Yum	147	4000	1500	1,862	330	3%	32%	64%	1%
602	GA	Waynesboro	White Oak	76.5	516.7	516.7	2,995	1,790	1%	34%	65%	0%
603	GA	Butler	Butler GA	103	2395.1	2395.1	1,534	255	2%	73%	23%	2%
604	GA	Butler	White Pine	101.2	505.94	505.94	1,044	100	1%	51%	48%	1%
605	GA	Metter	Live Oak	51	417.84	417.84	910	235	4%	72%	23%	0%
606	GA	Hazelhurst	Hazelhurst II	52.5	947.15	490.42	2,114	105	9%	64%	27%	0%
607	GA	Bainbridge	Decatur Parkway	80	781.5	781.5	1,123	450	2%	27%	22%	49%
608	GA	Leslie-DeSoto	Americus	1000	9661.2	4437	5,210	510	1%	63%	36%	0%
616	FL	Fort White	Fort White	74.5	570.5	457.2	828	220	12%	71%	17%	0%
621	VA	Spring Grove	Loblolly	150	2181.9	1000	1,860	110	7%	62%	31%	0%
622	VA	Scottsville	Woodridge	138	2260.9	1000	1,094	170	9%	63%	28%	0%
625	NC	Middlesex	Phobos	80	754.52	734	356	57	14%	75%	10%	0%
628	MI	Deerfield	Carroll Road	200	1694.8	1694.8	343	190	12%	86%	0%	2%
633	VA	Emporia	Brunswick	150.2	2076.4	1387.3	1,091	240	4%	85%	11%	0%
634	NC	Elkin	Partin	50	429.4	257.64	945	155	30%	25%	15%	30%

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				(MW)	Acres	Acres	to home	Home	Res	Agri	Ag/R	Com	
638	GA	Dry Branch	Twiggs	200	2132.7	2132.7	-	-	10%	55%	35%	0%	
639	NC	Hope Mills	Innovative Solar 46	78.5	531.87	531.87	423	125	17%	83%	0%	0%	
640	NC	Hope Mills	Innovative Solar 42	71	413.99	413.99	375	135	41%	59%	0%	0%	
645	NC	Stanley	Hornet	75	1499.5	858.4	663	110	30%	40%	23%	6%	
650	NC	Grifton	Grifton 2	56	681.59	297.6	363	235	1%	99%	0%	0%	
651	NC	Grifton	Buckleberry	52.1	367.67	361.67	913	180	5%	54%	41%	0%	
657	KY	Greensburg	Horseshoe Bend	60	585.65	395	1,394	63	3%	36%	61%	0%	
658	KY	Campbellsville	Flat Run	55	429.76	429.76	408	115	13%	52%	35%	0%	
666	FL	Archer	Archer	74.9	636.94	636.94	638	200	43%	57%	0%	0%	
667	FL	New Smyrna Beach	Pioneer Trail	74.5	1202.8	900	1,162	225	14%	61%	21%	4%	
668	FL	Lake City	Sunshine Gateway	74.5	904.29	472	1,233	890	11%	80%	8%	0%	
669	FL	Florahome	Coral Farms	74.5	666.54	580	1,614	765	19%	75%	7%	0%	
672	VA	Appomattox	Spout Spring	60	881.12	673.37	836	335	16%	30%	46%	8%	
676	TX	Stamford	Alamo 7	106.4	1663.1	1050	-	-	6%	83%	0%	11%	
677	TX	Fort Stockton	RE Roserock	160	1738.2	1500	-	-	0%	100%	0%	0%	
678	TX	Lamesa	Lamesa	102	914.5	655	921	170	4%	41%	11%	44%	
679	TX	Lamesa	Ivory	50	706	570	716	460	0%	87%	2%	12%	
680	TX	Uvalde	Alamo 5	95	830.35	800	925	740	1%	93%	6%	0%	
684	NC	Waco	Brookcliff	50	671.03	671.03	560	150	7%	21%	15%	57%	
689	AZ	Arlington	Mesquite	320.8	3774.5	2617	1,670	525	8%	92%	0%	0%	
692	AZ	Tucson	Avalon	51	479.21	352	-	-	0%	100%	0%	0%	
				81									
				Average	111.80	1422.4	968.4	1031	263	10%	62%	22%	6%
				Median	80.00	914.5	646.0	836	188	7%	64%	17%	0%
				High	1000.00	9661.2	4813.5	5210	1790	58%	100%	100%	70%
				Low	50.00	347.1	185.1	343	57	0%	0%	0%	0%

VII. Distance Between Homes and Panels

I have measured distances at matched pairs as close as 105 feet between panel and home to show no impact on value. This measurement goes from the closest point on the home to the closest solar panel. This is a strong indication that at this distance there is no impact on adjoining homes.

However, in tracking other approved solar farms across Kentucky, North Carolina and other states, I have found that it is common for there to be homes within 100 to 150 feet of solar panels. Given the visual barriers in the form of privacy fencing or landscaping, there is no sign of negative impact.

I have also tracked a number of locations where solar panels are between 50 and 100 feet of single-family homes. In these cases the landscaping is typically a double row of more mature evergreens at time of planting. There are many examples of solar farms with one or two homes closer than 100-feet, but most of the adjoining homes are further than that distance.

VIII. Topography

As shown on the summary charts for the solar farms, I have been identifying the topographic shifts across the solar farms considered. Differences in topography can impact visibility of the panels, though typically this results in distant views of panels as opposed to up close views. The topography noted for solar farms showing no impact on adjoining home values range from as much as 160-foot shifts across the project. Given that appearance is the only factor of concern and that distance plus landscape buffering typically addresses up close views, this leaves a number of potentially distant views of panels. I specifically note that in Crittenden in KY there are distant views of panels from the adjoining homes that showed no impact on value.

General rolling terrain with some distant solar panel views are showing no impact on adjoining property value.

IX. Potential Impacts During Construction

I have previously been asked by the Kentucky Siting Board about potential impacts during construction. This is not a typical question I get as any development of a site will have a certain amount of construction, whether it is for a commercial agricultural use such as large-scale poultry operations or a new residential subdivision. Construction will be temporary and consistent with other development uses of the land and in fact dust from the construction will likely be less than most other construction projects given the minimal grading. I would not anticipate any impacts on property value due to construction on the site.

I note that in the matched pairs that I have included there have been a number of home sales that happened after a solar farm was approved but before the solar farm was built showing no impact on property value. Therefore the anticipated construction had no impact as shown by that data.

X. Scope of Research

I have researched over 750 solar farms and sites on which solar farms are existing and proposed in Kentucky, Illinois, Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia as well as other states to determine what uses are typically found in proximity with a solar farm. The data I have collected and provide in this report strongly supports the assertion that solar farms are having no negative consequences on adjoining agricultural and residential values.

Beyond these references, I have quantified the adjoining uses for a number of solar farm comparables to derive a breakdown of the adjoining uses for each solar farm. The chart below shows the breakdown of adjoining or abutting uses by total acreage.

Percentage By Adjoining Acreage									
	Res	Ag	Res/AG	Comm	Ind	Avg Home	Closest Home	All Res Uses	All Comm Uses
Average	19%	53%	20%	2%	6%	887	344	91%	8%
Median	11%	56%	11%	0%	0%	708	218	100%	0%
High	100%	100%	100%	93%	98%	5,210	4,670	100%	98%
Low	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	90	25	0%	0%

Res = Residential, Ag = Agriculture, Com = Commercial

Total Solar Farms Considered: 705

I have also included a breakdown of each solar farm by number of adjoining parcels to the solar farm rather than based on adjoining acreage. Using both factors provides a more complete picture of the neighboring properties.

Percentage By Number of Parcels Adjoining									
	Res	Ag	Res/AG	Comm	Ind	Avg Home	Closest Home	All Res Uses	All Comm Uses
Average	61%	24%	9%	2%	4%	887	344	93%	6%
Median	65%	19%	5%	0%	0%	708	218	100%	0%
High	100%	100%	100%	60%	78%	5,210	4,670	105%	78%
Low	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	90	25	0%	0%

Res = Residential, Ag = Agriculture, Com = Commercial

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Both of the above charts show a marked residential and agricultural adjoining use for most solar farms. Every single solar farm considered included an adjoining residential or residential/agricultural use.

XI. Specific Factors Related To Impacts on Value

I have completed a number of Impact Studies related to a variety of uses and I have found that the most common areas for impact on adjoining values typically follow a hierarchy with descending levels of potential impact. I will discuss each of these categories and how they relate to a solar farm.

1. Hazardous material
2. Odor
3. Noise
4. Traffic
5. Stigma
6. Appearance

1. Hazardous material

A solar farm presents no potential hazardous waste byproduct as part of normal operation. Any fertilizer, weed control, vehicular traffic, or construction will be significantly less than typically applied in a residential development and even most agricultural uses.

The various solar farms that I have inspected and identified in the addenda have no known environmental impacts associated with the development and operation.

2. Odor

The various solar farms that I have inspected produced no odor.

3. Noise

Whether discussing passive fixed solar panels, or single-axis trackers, there is no negative impact associated with noise from a solar farm. The transformer reportedly has a hum similar to an HVAC that can only be heard in close proximity to this transformer and the buffers on the property are sufficient to make emitted sounds inaudible from the adjoining properties. No sound is emitted from the facility at night.

The various solar farms that I have inspected were inaudible from the roadways.

4. Traffic

The solar farm will have no onsite employee's or staff. The site requires only minimal maintenance. Relative to other potential uses of the site (such as a residential subdivision), the additional traffic generated by a solar farm use on this site is insignificant.

5. Stigma

There is no stigma associated with solar farms and solar farms and people generally respond favorably towards such a use. While an individual may express concerns about proximity to a solar farm, there is no specific stigma associated with a solar farm. Stigma generally refers to things such as adult establishments, prisons, rehabilitation facilities, and so forth.

Solar panels have no associated stigma and in smaller collections are found in yards and roofs in many residential communities. Solar farms are adjoining elementary, middle and high schools as well as churches and subdivisions. I note that one of the solar farms in this report not only adjoins a church, but is actually located on land owned by the church. Solar panels on a roof are often cited as an enhancement to the property in marketing brochures.

I see no basis for an impact from stigma due to a solar farm.

6. Appearance/Viewshed

I note that larger solar farms using fixed or tracking panels are a passive use of the land that is in keeping with a rural/residential area. As shown below, solar farms are comparable to larger greenhouses. The greenhouse use is well received in residential/rural areas and has a similar visual impact as a solar farm.



The solar panels are all less than 15 feet high, which means that the visual impact of the solar panels will be similar in height to a typical greenhouse and lower than a single story residential dwelling. Were the subject property developed with single family housing, that development would have a much greater visual impact on the surrounding area given that a two-story home with attic could be three to four times as high as these proposed panels.

7. Conclusion

On the basis of the factors described above, it is my professional opinion that the proposed solar farm will not negatively impact adjoining property values. The only category of impact of note is appearance, which is addressed through setbacks and landscaping buffers. The matched pair data supports that conclusion.

XII. Conclusion

The matched pair analysis shows no negative impact in home values due to abutting or adjoining a solar farm as well as no impact to abutting or adjacent vacant residential or agricultural land. The criteria that typically correlates with downward adjustments on property values such as noise, odor, and traffic all support a finding of no impact on property value.

Very similar solar farms in very similar areas have been found by hundreds of towns and counties not to have a substantial injury to abutting or adjoining properties, and many of those findings of no impact have been upheld by appellate courts. Similar solar farms have been approved adjoining agricultural uses, schools, churches, and residential developments.

I have found no difference in the mix of adjoining uses or proximity to adjoining homes based on the size of a solar farm and I have found no significant difference in the matched pair data adjoining larger solar farms versus smaller solar farms. The data in the Southeast is consistent with the larger set of data that I have nationally, as is the more specific data located in and around Kentucky.

Based on the data and analysis in this report, it is my professional opinion that the solar farm proposed at the subject property will have no negative impact on the value of adjoining or abutting property.



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EXHIBIT 12
ATTACHMENT 12.7



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TRAFFIC STUDY

Meade County Solar Farm
KY 1238 & KY 333
Big Spring, KY

Submitted to:

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1 INTRODUCTION

Community Energy Solar, LLC (“Community Energy”) engaged Bacon Farmer Workman Engineering & Testing, Inc. (BFW) to study and report on the impact of a proposed solar electric generating facility’s operation on road and rail traffic to and within the facility, including anticipated levels of fugitive dust created by traffic, and any anticipated degradation of roads and lands in its vicinity.

The proposed solar electric generating facility will be located in south Meade County, Kentucky, and is to be constructed and operated by Meade County Solar LLC (the “Project”). The Project would generate electricity employing photovoltaic solar panels. It will be constructed on approximately 370 acres located north of the town of Big Spring, Kentucky. The Project site is divided into two main sections. The northern section is bordered by KY 1238 (Stith Valley Rd.) on the north and KY 1735 (Ballman Rd.) on the east. The southern section is bordered by KY 1600 (St. Martin Rd.) to the north, and KY 333 (Big Spring Rd.) on the west.

Community Energy anticipates a construction period of 6-9 months, involving up to 150 construction workers. Once operational, the project would require 2-3 full-time employees.

This Traffic Study examines existing traffic patterns and road conditions in the vicinity of the Project, anticipated routes and projected traffic considerations related to the introduction of both Project construction and operations workers in the area, potential traffic congestion and mitigation measures, potential dust associated with traffic entering and exiting the project site, and potential impacts on local rail traffic.

PROPOSED MEADE COUNTY SOLAR FARM

2 TRAFFIC STUDY

2.1 Existing Road Network and Traffic Conditions

The anticipated routes for construction equipment, materials deliveries, and construction and operation crews to access the Project site consist of the existing roads that are adjacent to the sites and the existing roads that would be used to access the Meade County Sites. The major roads to be used to access the facility from the south are anticipated to be I-65, US 31W and the Western KY Parkway. I-65 and US 31W would provide access to the site from Nashville, Bowling Green, and Elizabethtown. North of Elizabethtown, access to the site is expected to be via the Joe Prather Hwy, KY 144, KY 1600, and KY 333. The Western KY Parkway is expected access the site from the south via KY 259 at Leitchfield, KY 401, KY 86, and KY 333. KY 1238 is an existing 2-lane road generally running east and west and connects with US 60. KY 333 is an existing 2-lane road generally running north and south and connects with US 60. A second route expected to give access to the facility would be US 60 running in an east / west direction from Louisville to Owensboro. Along US 60 East of Irvington, KY 1238, KY 1735, and KY 333 would be used to access the facility. The Local Site Access Road Information Table below provides further details on each local road that was considered to access the facility.

Local Site Access Road Information

<u>Roadway</u>	<u>Road Classification</u>	<u>Average Daily Traffic</u>	<u>Yr Counted</u>
KY 313 Joe Prather Hwy	Minor Arterial	8108	2017
KY 144 Flaherty Rd	Major Collector	1988	2017
US 60	Minor Arterial	4582	2017
KY 86 Hardinsburg Rd	Minor Arterial	1626	2017
KY 259 Brandenburg Rd	Minor Arterial	2035	2019
KY 333 Big Spring Rd	Minor Collector	1173	2019
KY 401	Minor Collector	727	2017
KY 690	Minor Collector	477	2018
KY 941 Miller Rd	Minor Collector	393	2017
KY 1238 Stith Valley Rd	Local Rural	465	2017
KY 1600 St Martin Rd	Minor Collector	795	2018
KY 1735 Ballman Rd	Minor Collector	228	2015

2.2 Traffic Projections and Intersection Analysis

Although numerous local County and State maintained roads exist near the site areas, this study analysis assumed US 31 W via KY 313 would generate the majority of worker and material delivery traffic entering and leaving the sites. Assumptions for this resulted in 90% of the traffic coming from US 31W (easterly) and 10% coming from US 60 (northerly).

Based on the assumed 90 / 10 directional traffic split, the existing unsignalized intersections at KY 1600 / KY 144 and KY 1816 / KY 313 were analyzed for both the current and peak-hour Level of Service (LOS) that would be generated during the construction period of the facility.

<u>INTERSECTION</u>	<u>CURRENT LOS</u>	<u>PEAK-HOUR LOS</u>
KY 1600 / KY 144 (EXISTING)	B (PHF 0.75)	B (PHF 0.75)
KY 1600 / KY 144 (AM)	B (PHF 0.75)	B (PHF 0.75)
KY 1600 / KY 144 (PM)	B (PHF 0.75)	B (PHF 0.75)
KY 1816 / KY 313 (EXISTING)	C (PHF 0.75)	C (PHF 0.75)
KY 1816 / KY 313 (AM)	C (PHF 0.75)	C (PHF 0.75)
KY 1816 / KY 313 (PM)	C (PHF 0.75)	C (PHF 0.75)

Based on assumed traffic count projections and peak-time intervals, HCS7 software was used for analyzing flow rates, queue lengths, delay, traffic capacity, and to determine the Level of Service (LOS) for each intersection. The detailed report below summarizes the results (see TRAFFIC REPORT below).

2.3 Operational and Maintenance Traffic

Any entrances to the facilities would likely be off KY 1238 on the northern site and KY 333 on the southern site. Either of these roads lead directly to the site entrance(s), depending on the construction of the facility. These potential access points are identified on EXHIBIT 2.3-1 of the Site Assessment Report. Traffic is expected to increase during construction, with a morning and afternoon peak due to workers entering and leaving the site(s) as well as deliveries occurring throughout the day.

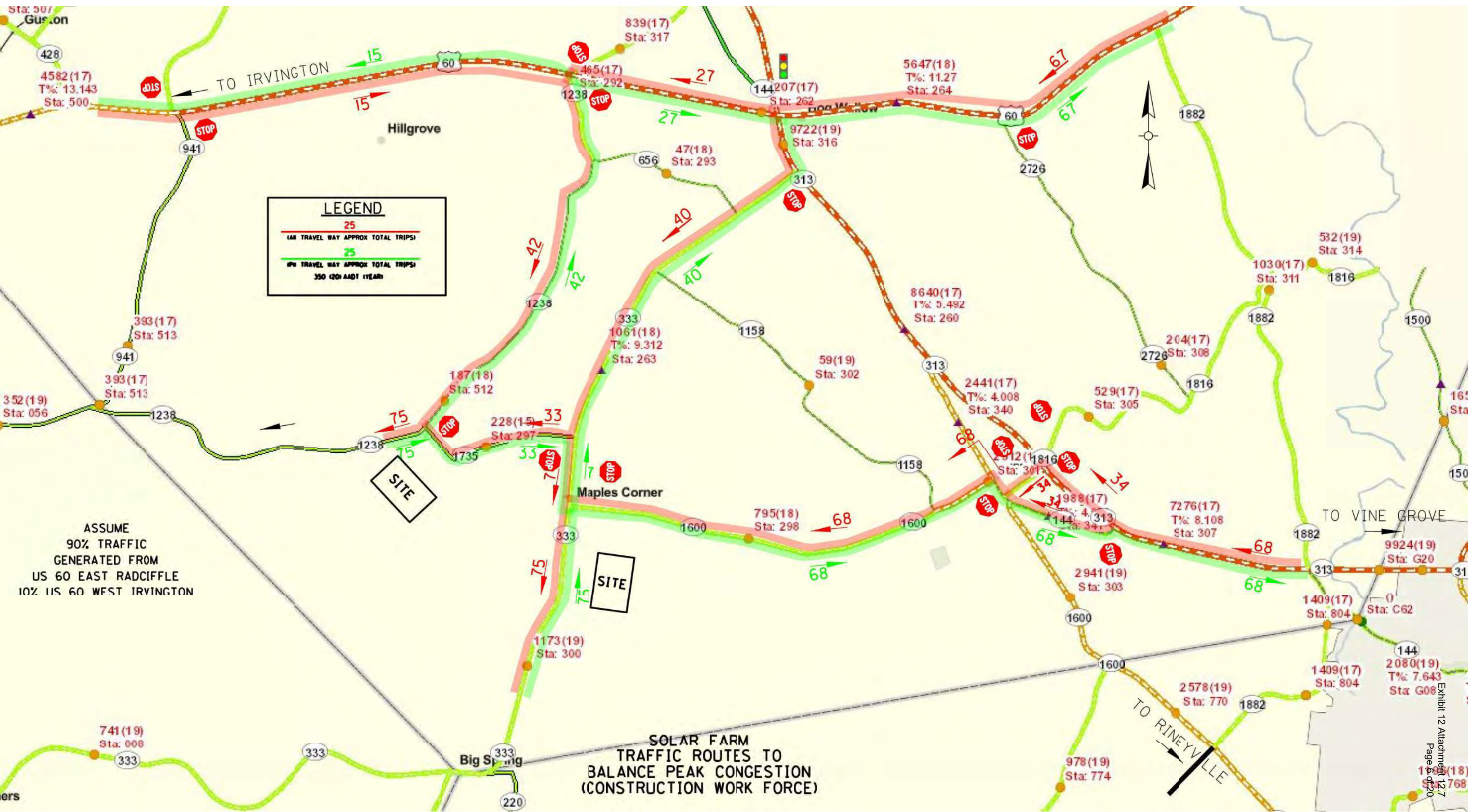
From on-site field observations, each of the proposed access locations into the sites appear to provide an adequate decision time (foot per second) period for the ingress /egress traffic along the local roads. The proposed access intersection locations appear to have unobstructed views allowing sufficient sight-line visibility for on-coming traffic.

The existing vertical grade(s) on KY 1238 and KY 333 at the proposed access locations appear to allow sufficient gradients for proper deceleration and acceleration along the existing local roads.

The construction of the proposed solar facility is expected to take approximately six to nine months for completion. During construction, a temporary increase in traffic volume associated with travel of construction laborers (150 total at any given time), delivery of construction equipment and material, delivery of solar panel components and equipment is anticipated. Laborer commutes with passenger vehicles and trucks will occur daily with two traffic peaks (i.e., morning peak and afternoon peak), whereas deliveries of equipment will occur on trailers, flatbeds, or other large vehicles periodically throughout the construction process at various times of day. A summary of anticipated construction vehicle trips per day are included is shown below.

Summary of Anticipated Construction Vehicle Trips

<u>Construction Vehicle Type</u>	<u>Vehicle Trips Per Day (Avg.)</u>
Employee Passenger	150
Heavy-Duty Delivery	5
Water Trucks	4



LEGEND

25
 (AR TRAVEL WAY APPROX TOTAL TRIPS)

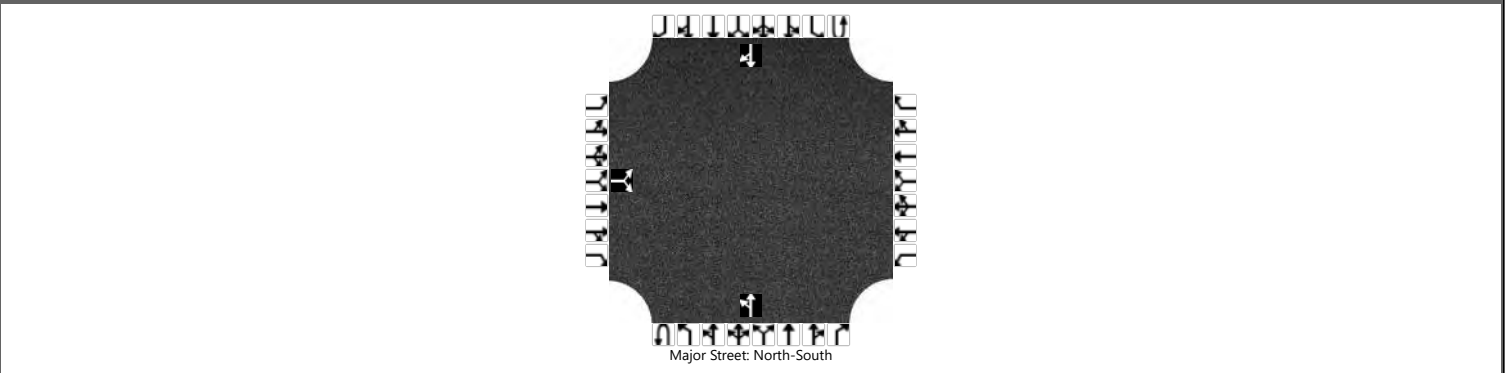
25
 (PW TRAVEL WAY APPROX TOTAL TRIPS)
 350 (2014 ADT) (YEAR)

ASSUME
 90% TRAFFIC
 GENERATED FROM
 US 60 EAST RADCIFFLE
 10% US 60 WEST IRVINGTON

**SOLAR FARM
 TRAFFIC ROUTES TO
 BALANCE PEAK CONGESTION
 (CONSTRUCTION WORK FORCE)**

General Information		Site Information	
Analyst		Intersection	KY 1600 / KY 144
Agency/Co.	BFW Engineering & Testing	Jurisdiction	
Date Performed	4/23/2021	East/West Street	KY 1600
Analysis Year	2021	North/South Street	KY 144
Time Analyzed	Existing	Peak Hour Factor	0.75
Intersection Orientation	North-South	Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25
Project Description			

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound			
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R
Priority		10	11	12		7	8	9	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6
Number of Lanes		0	1	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Configuration			LR							LT						TR
Volume (veh/h)		20		20						20	127				127	20
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		3		3						3						
Proportion Time Blocked																
Percent Grade (%)		0														
Right Turn Channelized																
Median Type Storage		Undivided														

Critical and Follow-up Headways

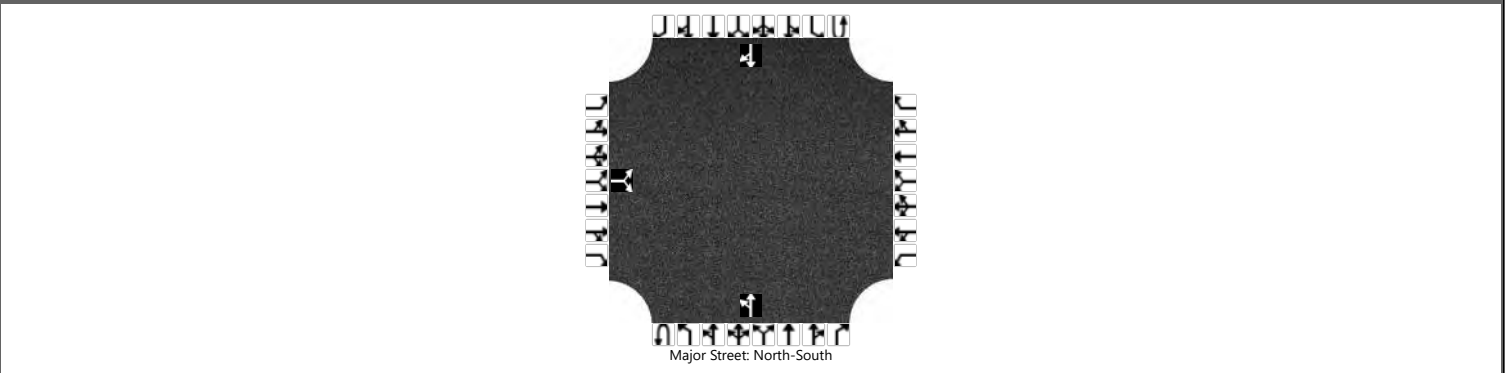
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Critical Headway (sec)		6.43		6.23						4.13						
Base Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.5		3.3						2.2						
Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.53		3.33						2.23						

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)			53							27							
Capacity, c (veh/h)			697							1371							
v/c Ratio			0.08							0.02							
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)			0.2							0.1							
Control Delay (s/veh)			10.6							7.7							
Level of Service (LOS)			B							A							
Approach Delay (s/veh)		10.6								1.2							
Approach LOS		B															

General Information				Site Information			
Analyst		Intersection	KY 1600 / KY 144				
Agency/Co.	BFW Engineering & Testing	Jurisdiction					
Date Performed	4/23/2021	East/West Street	KY 1600				
Analysis Year	2021	North/South Street	KY 144				
Time Analyzed	AM	Peak Hour Factor	0.75				
Intersection Orientation	North-South	Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25				
Project Description							

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound				
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	
Priority		10	11	12		7	8	9	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6	
Number of Lanes		0	1	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	
Configuration			LR							LT						TR	
Volume (veh/h)		20		20						88	127					127	20
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		3		3						3							
Proportion Time Blocked																	
Percent Grade (%)		0															
Right Turn Channelized																	
Median Type Storage		Undivided															

Critical and Follow-up Headways

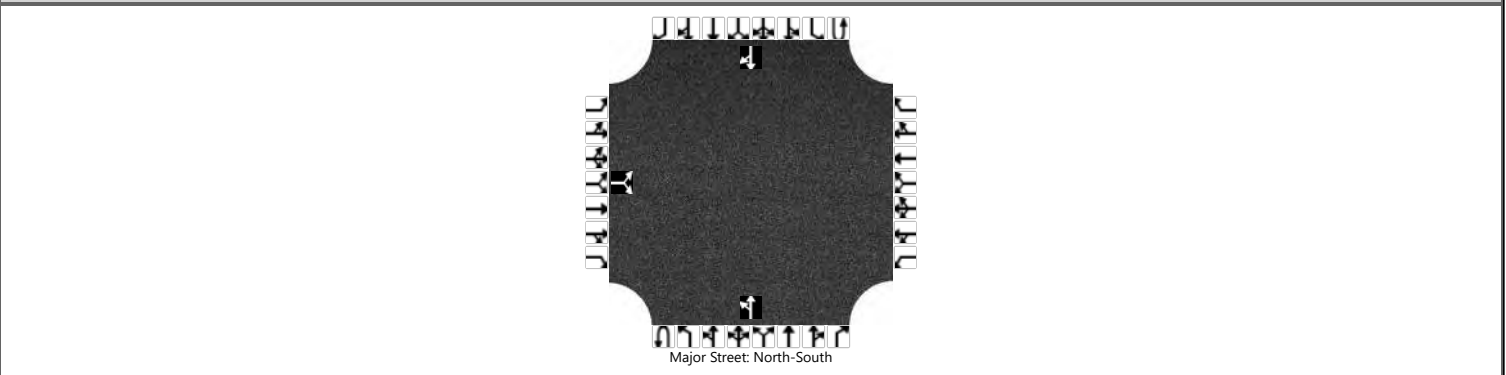
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Base Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.5		3.3						2.2						
Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.53		3.33						2.23						

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)			53							117						
Capacity, c (veh/h)			569							1371						
v/c Ratio			0.09							0.09						
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)			0.3							0.3						
Control Delay (s/veh)			12.0							7.9						
Level of Service (LOS)			B							A						
Approach Delay (s/veh)		12.0								3.7						
Approach LOS		B														

General Information				Site Information			
Analyst		Intersection	KY 1600 / KY 144				
Agency/Co.	BFW Engineering & Testing	Jurisdiction					
Date Performed	4/23/2021	East/West Street	KY 1600				
Analysis Year	2021	North/South Street	KY 144				
Time Analyzed	PM	Peak Hour Factor	0.75				
Intersection Orientation	North-South	Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25				
Project Description							

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound			
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R
Priority		10	11	12		7	8	9	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6
Number of Lanes		0	1	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Configuration			LR							LT						TR
Volume (veh/h)		20		88						20	127				127	20
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		3		3						3						
Proportion Time Blocked																
Percent Grade (%)		0														
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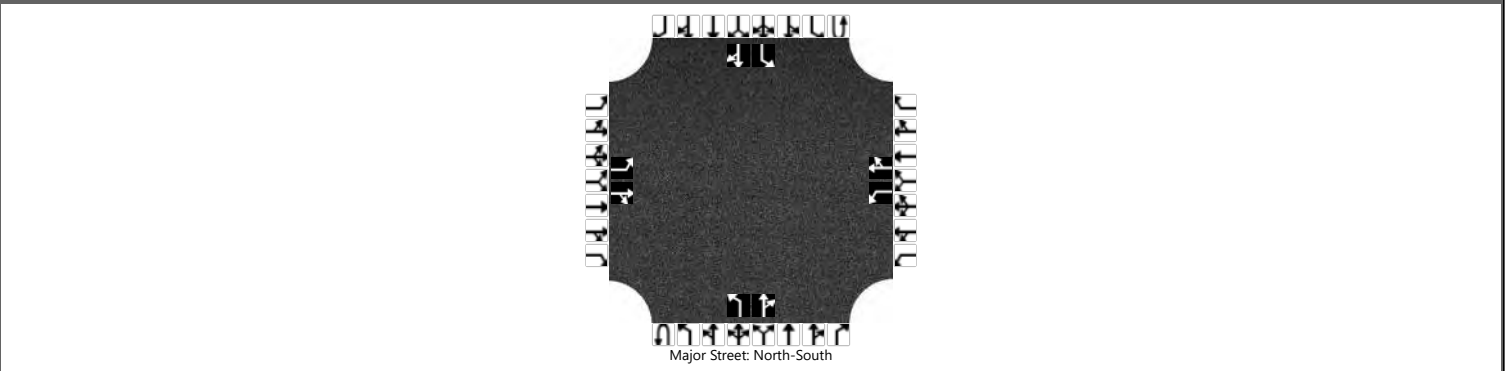
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Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.53		3.33						2.23						

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)			144							27						
Capacity, c (veh/h)			790							1371						
v/c Ratio			0.18							0.02						
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)			0.7							0.1						
Control Delay (s/veh)			10.6							7.7						
Level of Service (LOS)			B							A						
Approach Delay (s/veh)		10.6								1.2						
Approach LOS		B														

General Information		Site Information	
Analyst		Intersection	KY 1816 / KY 313
Agency/Co.	BFW Engineering & Testing	Jurisdiction	
Date Performed	4/22/2021	East/West Street	KY 1816
Analysis Year	2021	North/South Street	KY 313
Time Analyzed	EXISTING	Peak Hour Factor	0.75
Intersection Orientation	North-South	Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25
Project Description			

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound			
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R
Priority		10	11	12		7	8	9	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6
Number of Lanes		1	1	0		1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Configuration		L		TR		L		TR		L		TR		L		TR
Volume (veh/h)		10	7	10		10	7	10		10	364	10		10	364	10
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		3	3	3		3	3	3		3				3		
Proportion Time Blocked																
Percent Grade (%)	0				0											
Right Turn Channelized																
Median Type Storage	Undivided															

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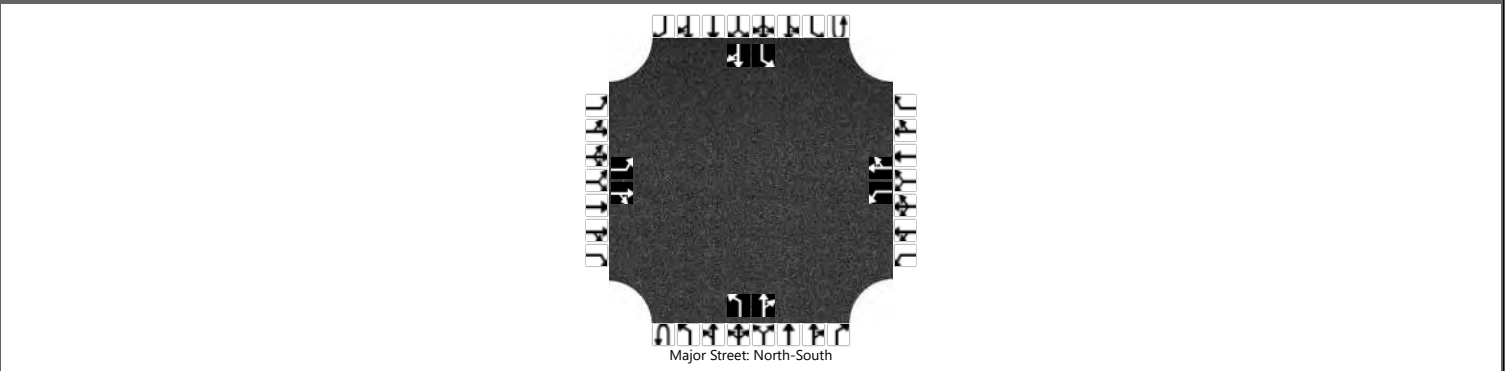
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Critical Headway (sec)		7.13	6.53	6.23		7.13	6.53	6.23		4.13				4.13		
Base Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.5	4.0	3.3		3.5	4.0	3.3		2.2				2.2		
Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.53	4.03	3.33		3.53	4.03	3.33		2.23				2.23		

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)		13		23		13		23		13				13		
Capacity, c (veh/h)		190		348		190		348		1060				1060		
v/c Ratio		0.07		0.07		0.07		0.07		0.01				0.01		
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)		0.2		0.2		0.2		0.2		0.0				0.0		
Control Delay (s/veh)		25.4		16.1		25.4		16.1		8.4				8.4		
Level of Service (LOS)		D		C		D		C		A				A		
Approach Delay (s/veh)	19.5				19.5				0.2				0.2			
Approach LOS	C				C											

General Information		Site Information	
Analyst		Intersection	KY 1816 / KY 313
Agency/Co.	BFW Engineering & Testing	Jurisdiction	
Date Performed	4/22/2021	East/West Street	KY 1816
Analysis Year	2021	North/South Street	KY 313
Time Analyzed	AM	Peak Hour Factor	0.75
Intersection Orientation	North-South	Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25
Project Description			

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound			
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R
Priority		10	11	12		7	8	9	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6
Number of Lanes		1	1	0		1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Configuration		L		TR		L		TR		L		TR		L		TR
Volume (veh/h)		10	7	10		10	7	10		44	364	10		10	364	10
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		3	3	3		3	3	3		3				3		
Proportion Time Blocked																
Percent Grade (%)	0				0											
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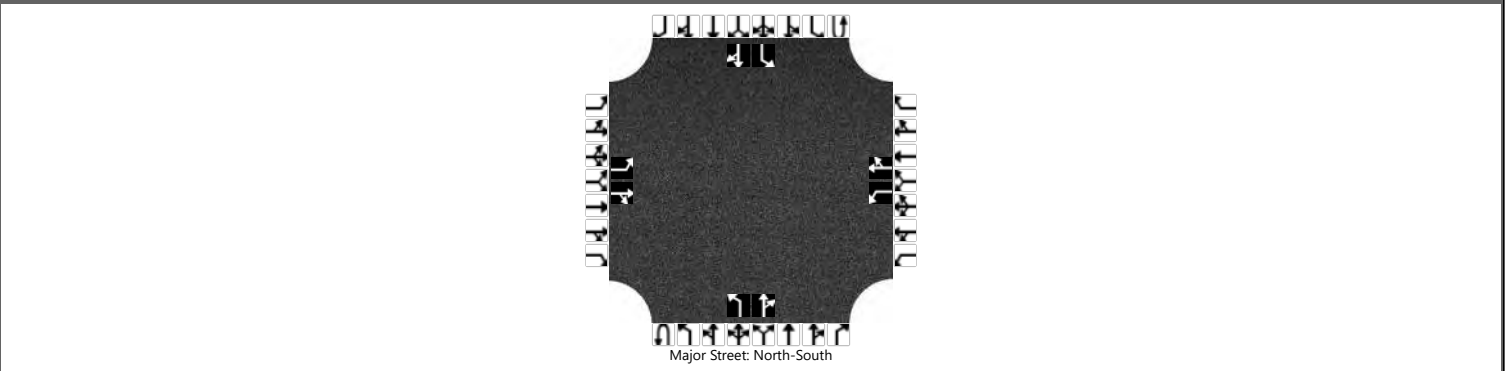
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Base Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.5	4.0	3.3		3.5	4.0	3.3		2.2				2.2		
Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.53	4.03	3.33		3.53	4.03	3.33		2.23				2.23		

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)		13		23		13		23		59				13		
Capacity, c (veh/h)		158		311		158		311		1060				1060		
v/c Ratio		0.08		0.07		0.08		0.07		0.06				0.01		
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)		0.3		0.2		0.3		0.2		0.2				0.0		
Control Delay (s/veh)		29.8		17.5		29.8		17.5		8.6				8.4		
Level of Service (LOS)		D		C		D		C		A				A		
Approach Delay (s/veh)	22.1				22.1				0.9				0.2			
Approach LOS	C				C											

General Information		Site Information	
Analyst		Intersection	KY 1816 / KY 313
Agency/Co.	BFW Engineering & Testing	Jurisdiction	
Date Performed	4/22/2021	East/West Street	KY 1816
Analysis Year	2021	North/South Street	KY 313
Time Analyzed	PM	Peak Hour Factor	0.75
Intersection Orientation	North-South	Analysis Time Period (hrs)	0.25
Project Description			

Lanes



Vehicle Volumes and Adjustments

Approach	Eastbound				Westbound				Northbound				Southbound			
	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R	U	L	T	R
Priority		10	11	12		7	8	9	1U	1	2	3	4U	4	5	6
Number of Lanes		1	1	0		1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Configuration		L		TR		L		TR		L		TR		L		TR
Volume (veh/h)		10	7	44		10	7	10		10	364	10		10	364	10
Percent Heavy Vehicles (%)		3	3	3		3	3	3		3				3		
Proportion Time Blocked																
Percent Grade (%)	0				0											
Right Turn Channelized																
Median Type Storage	Undivided															

Critical and Follow-up Headways

Base Critical Headway (sec)		7.1	6.5	6.2		7.1	6.5	6.2		4.1				4.1		
Critical Headway (sec)		7.13	6.53	6.23		7.13	6.53	6.23		4.13				4.13		
Base Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.5	4.0	3.3		3.5	4.0	3.3		2.2				2.2		
Follow-Up Headway (sec)		3.53	4.03	3.33		3.53	4.03	3.33		2.23				2.23		

Delay, Queue Length, and Level of Service

Flow Rate, v (veh/h)		13		68		13		23		13				13		
Capacity, c (veh/h)		190		472		168		348		1060				1060		
v/c Ratio		0.07		0.14		0.08		0.07		0.01				0.01		
95% Queue Length, Q ₉₅ (veh)		0.2		0.5		0.3		0.2		0.0				0.0		
Control Delay (s/veh)		25.4		13.9		28.2		16.1		8.4				8.4		
Level of Service (LOS)		D		B		D		C		A				A		
Approach Delay (s/veh)	15.8				20.6				0.2				0.2			
Approach LOS	C				C											

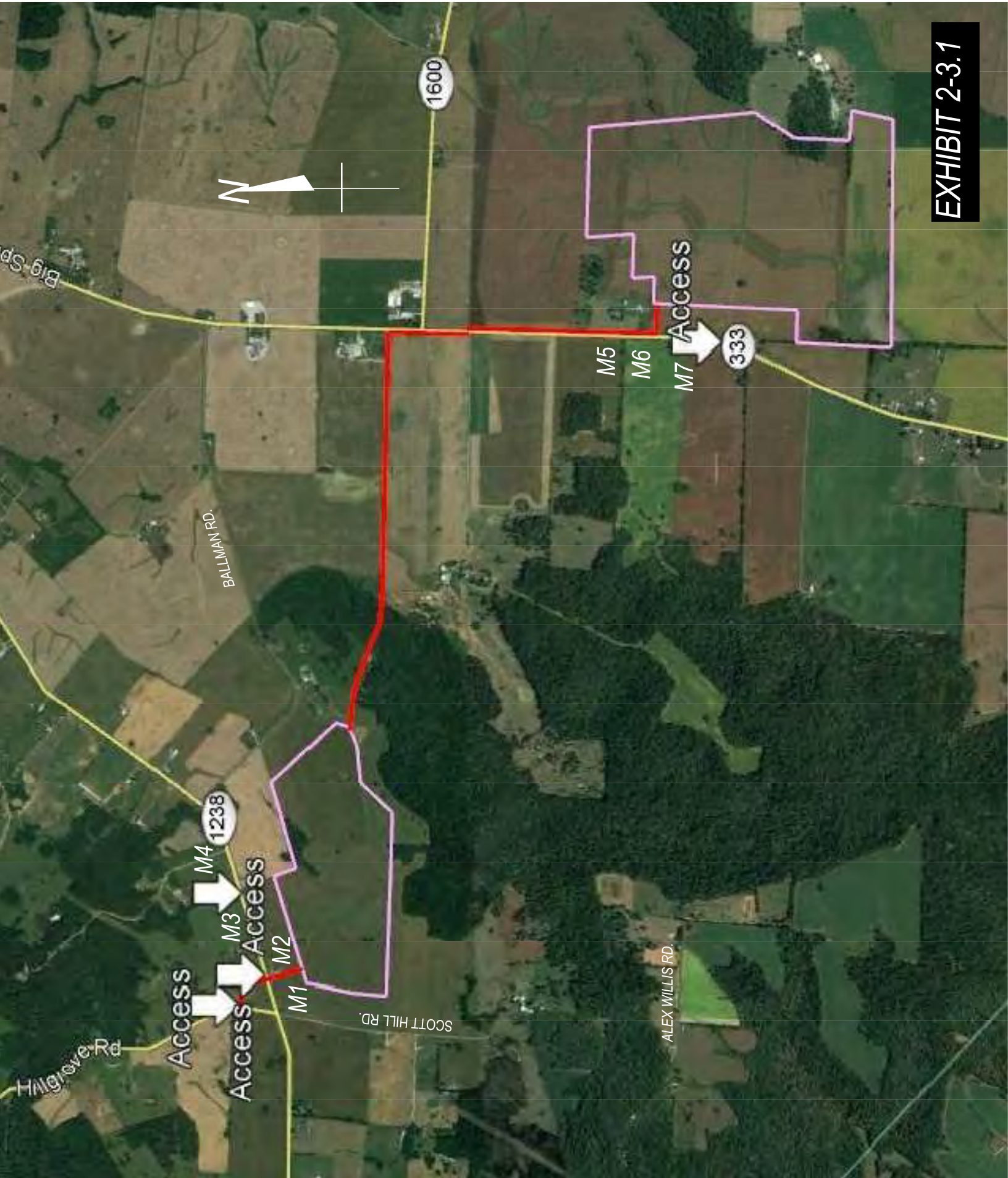


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2.4 Traffic Congestion Mitigation Consideration

In an attempt to reduce traffic congestion at intersections and along the local roads, authorized solar farm representatives may issue “route and parking cards” indicating the time, route, and the parking area individual workers and deliveries must follow to enter and leave the sites. If necessary, the solar farm may implement enforcement measures to ensure workers and deliveries comply with the route and parking cards.

“Ride-sharing” for employees working during the construction phase will be encouraged in order to reduce the daily traffic count to / from the project site during the morning and afternoon peaks.



Figure 1 Meade Co Power Supply Location on KY 1238 (Looking South Into the Site)



Figure 2 Meade Co Power Supply Location on KY 1238 (Looking East)



Figure 3 Meade Co Access Location on KY 1238 (Looking West)



Figure 4 Meade Co Access Location on KY 1238 (Looking East)



Figure 5 Meade Co Power Supply Location on KY 333 (Looking North))



Figure 6 Meade Co Power Supply Location on KY 333 (Looking North into Site on Rt.)



Figure 7 Meade Co Looking South on KY 333 (Access Point on Left Near Beginning of Curve)

2.5 Traffic Safety Precautions

Permanent road or lane closures are not anticipated for the construction of the solar facility. Construction of the facility is not expected to impact roads, but safety precautions including signage, signaling, flagmen, and temporary lane closures may be utilized as needed. For example, during a delivery, flagmen may be used to temporarily stop traffic to allow the delivery driver to turn into the facility safely, with signage used to warn oncoming traffic of the lane closure.

2.6 Impact on Road Infrastructure

Construction of the facility is not expected to have any significant impact on the existing road infrastructure other than increased wear due to increased traffic at the Access entrances on Ky 1238 on the northern site and KY 333 on the southern site.

Access drives and internal roads will be constructed or improved as needed to accommodate appropriate vehicles and equipment to construct the proposed solar facility. Internal roads will be compacted gravel, which may result in an increase in airborne dust particles. During construction, water may be applied to the internal road system to reduce dust generation.

Any impact to the local roads due to construction of the facility will be repaired at the expense of the solar farm.

2.7 Operational and Maintenance Traffic

The facility will be manned during normal business operation with 2-3 people on staff during normal working hours but will change shifts as needed to perform some planned maintenance at night. There will also be an On-Call schedule to respond to any corrective maintenance that is impacting production. It is anticipated that workers making site visits will be in mid-to full-size trucks, accounting for less vehicle traffic than an average single-family home. During operation, workers are not anticipated to create significant impact on the local traffic and will generally be entering and leaving on normal weekdays during daylight hours.

During construction, an estimated 2 acre parking area is anticipated to be needed (1 acre at each of the sites) to provide sufficient space for workers, deliveries, and material staging. On the northern site, a potential location for the parking has been identified at the “northern-most” Access Point off KY 1238. On the southern site, a potential location for the parking has been identified at the “southern-most” Access Point off KY 333 (see EXHIBIT 2.3-1).

An approved surfacing material will be used at each parking area for stabilization and to help minimize soil erosion.

2.8 Traffic Summary and Conclusions

CONSTRUCTION : During construction of this facility, traffic is anticipated to increase with morning and evening peaks for daily workers and deliveries being made to the site periodically. All necessary safety precautions, including signing and flagmen, will be taken to best ensure collisions are prevented on the surrounding roads. Other than increased wear, damages to the existing road infrastructure are not anticipated. All affected highway segments are anticipated to continue at an acceptable level of service (LOS) during both the morning and afternoon peaks.

OPERATION : Operation of the facility is not expected to cause significant impact to the local traffic as the additional expected traffic contributed to the area will be similar to that of a typical single-family home.

During the construction and operation of the facility, there will be no adverse effects on traffic operation in and around the project site.

3 FUGITIVE DUST IMPACTS

While state and local area roadways are paved, fugitive dust is anticipated during construction from land disturbance and use of unpaved driveways. Due to the low-density housing and rural character near the site, and the large size of the site, fugitive dust minor impacts are expected.

To reduce potential dust impacts, open-bodied trucks will be covered while in motion. Internal roadways will be constructed from compacted gravel. Due to an increase associated with dust from gravel roads and site use in general, water may be applied to reduce dust generation as needed. Under the KY Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, water used for dust control during the facility construction is authorized as a non-stormwater discharge activity. The Meade County facility will apply best management practices (BMP) for dust mitigation.

4 IMPACTS TO RAIL

Neither of the proposed Meade County sites are located near an existing railway. The Project will not use railways for any construction or operational activities. Therefore, construction or operations of the proposed solar facility will have no impact on the rail facilities.

Tim Choate, PE, PLS

Transportation Engineer



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Professional Practice:

Mr. Choate has over thirty-five years of experience in the transportation/surveying/civil engineering field. He joined Bacon Farmer Workman Engineering & Testing, Inc. after retiring from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet in 2011. Tim started his career with the Cabinet as the Design Engineer for District One in Paducah. He served as Branch Manager for Operations for three years and finished his career as Branch Manager for Project Development in the District. Tim held that position for twelve and was responsible for implementing the Highway Plan for District One and managing the planning, design, right of way and utility staff within District One. He served as Project Manager on the majority of the Consultant Projects within District One during his tenure as well as monitoring in-house design projects. Currently Tim serves as a project manager for the Transportation Department at BFW.

Skills and Experience:

- Corridor Layout
- Intersection Design
- Transportation Planning
- Traffic Studies
- Roadway Realignment
- Roadway Drainage Improvement
- Federal Aid Highway Program Guidance, FHWA
- Floodplain Management
- Phase II Environmental Site Assessment
- Understanding of Required Permits
- Extensive background in local, state and federal funding process
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Planning & Design

Relevant Project Experience:

US 60, Entrance for McCracken County High School, Turning lanes and Traffic Signal Installation, McCracken County, Kentucky: This project consisted of breaking the control of access at MP 7.9 on US 60 in McCracken County and providing the main entrance to the new campus of McCracken County High School. Anticipated enrollment at this consolidated county school was approximately 2200 students. Unique aspects of this project involved the co-ordination of the relocation of an entrance opposite the proposed school entrance so that the new traffic signal could serve the school as well as a large sports complex and future developments. Traffic on US 60 at this location is approximately 13,000 vehicles per day. The design included dual left lanes into the school. The posted speed on this section of US 60 is 55 mph. Weaving analysis was also performed on the project to transition from dual lefts to a single lane on the school property. Auxiliary right turn lanes were also provided for both entrances/approaches.

US 62 Widening: Marshall County, Kentucky (KYTC) Project Manager: The project begins at I-24 (MP 8.810) and extends to MP 10.88 at KY Dam Village State Park. Project included Landscaping, Multi-Use Path, Pavement and Shoulder widening, Upgrading guardrail, Access management of existing entrances, and traffic analysis, Bridge rehabilitation with the upgrade of bridge railings.

Reconstruction US 68/KY 80, Marshall, Trigg: (KYTC), Project Manager. 7.5 miles section included Preliminary Engineering and Environmental, Phase I and Phase II design of reconstruction and widening of existing 2 lane roadway to a 4 lane (40 ft. depressed) roadway with context sensitive design and major bifurcated sections.



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**Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting
Meade County Solar, LLC – Case No. 2020-00390
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Filing Requirement: KRS 224.10-280

No person shall commence to construct a facility to be used for the generation of electricity unless the person:

(a) submits a cumulative environmental assessment to the cabinet

The cumulative environmental assessment shall contain a description, with appropriate analytical support, of:

(a) For air pollutants:

- 1. Types and quantities of air pollutants that will be emitted from the facility; and*
- 2. A description of the methods to be used to control those emissions;*

(b) For water pollutants:

- 1. Types and quantities of water pollutants that will be discharged from the facility into the waters of the Commonwealth; and*
- 2. A description of the methods to be used to control those discharges;*

(c) For wastes:

- 1. Types and quantities of wastes that will be generated by the facility; and*
- 2. A description of the methods to be used to manage and dispose of such wastes; and*

(d) For water withdrawal:

- 1. Identification of the source and volume of anticipated water withdrawal needed to support facility construction and operations; and*
- 2. A description of the methods to be used for managing water usage and withdrawal.*

Respondent: Chris Killenberg

The Cumulative Environmental Assessment dated May 25, 2021, and prepared by Copperhead Environmental Consulting, Inc., is attached as Exhibit 13 Attachment. This Cumulative Environmental Assessment was tendered to the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet also on May 25, 2021.

**Case No. 2020-00390
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EXHIBIT 13
ATTACHMENT



25 May 2021

Rebecca Goodman
Cabinet Secretary
Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet
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RE: Cumulative Environmental Assessment for Proposed Meade County Solar LLC Project, Meade County, Kentucky

Secretary Goodman,

Meade County Solar LLC (“Meade County Solar”) is submitting the attached cumulative environmental assessment (“CEA”) for the proposed Meade County Solar LLC Project (“Project”) in Meade County, Kentucky. Meade County Solar is applying for a construction certificate to construct a merchant electric generating facility with the Kentucky State Board on Electric Generation and Transmission Siting (“Siting Board”). The Project will be capable of generating approximately 40 megawatts of electricity from a solar array.

Pursuant KRS 224.10-280, Meade County Solar is submitting a CEA that analyzes potential air pollutants, water pollutants, wastes, and water withdrawal associated with its proposed solar project. The CEA also will be submitted to the Siting Board.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or if clarifications are needed.

Sincerely,

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Cumulative Environmental Assessment for Proposed Meade County Solar LLC Project Meade County, Kentucky



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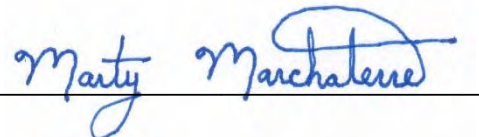
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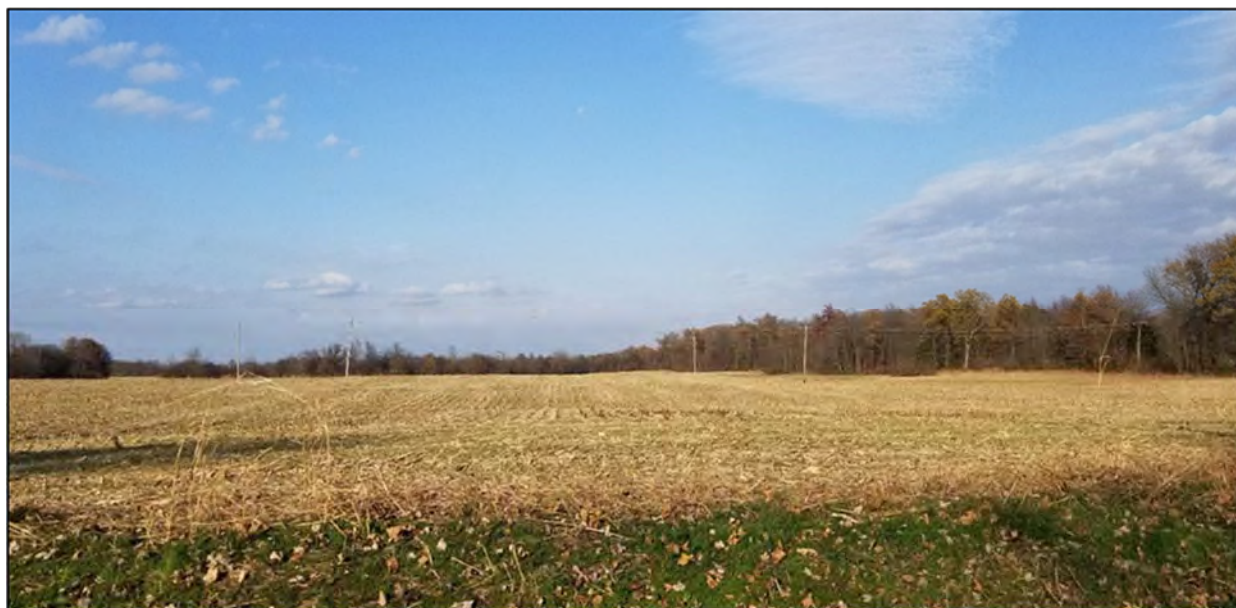
Introduction

KRS 224.10-280 provides that no person shall commence to construct a facility to be used for the generation of electricity unless that person submits a cumulative environmental assessment (CEA) to the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet with the permit application.¹ The Meade County Solar LLC Project (Meade County Solar or Project) is a proposed solar farm sited on approximately 370 acres that will generate electricity through the use of photovoltaic (PV) solar panels (Figure 1). It will include a utility interconnection substation, storage/maintenance building, inverter boxes, transformers, and overhead and underground electrical conveyance lines. The power generated will be sold to the Big Rivers Electric Corporation using an existing transmission line located near the project area.

The Project is located near Big Spring in Meade County. The proposed project site is currently farmland primarily used for row crops.

Upon researching the statute and accompanying regulations, Meade County Solar is unaware of any regulations that have been promulgated regarding CEAs. To comply with KRS 224.10-280, the CEA assessment will evaluate project impacts to four areas:

- 1) Air Pollutants
- 2) Water Pollutants
- 3) Wastes
- 4) Water Withdrawal



¹ KRS 224.10-280 Cumulative environmental assessment and fee required before construction of facility for generating electricity -- Conditions imposed by cabinet -- Administrative regulations.

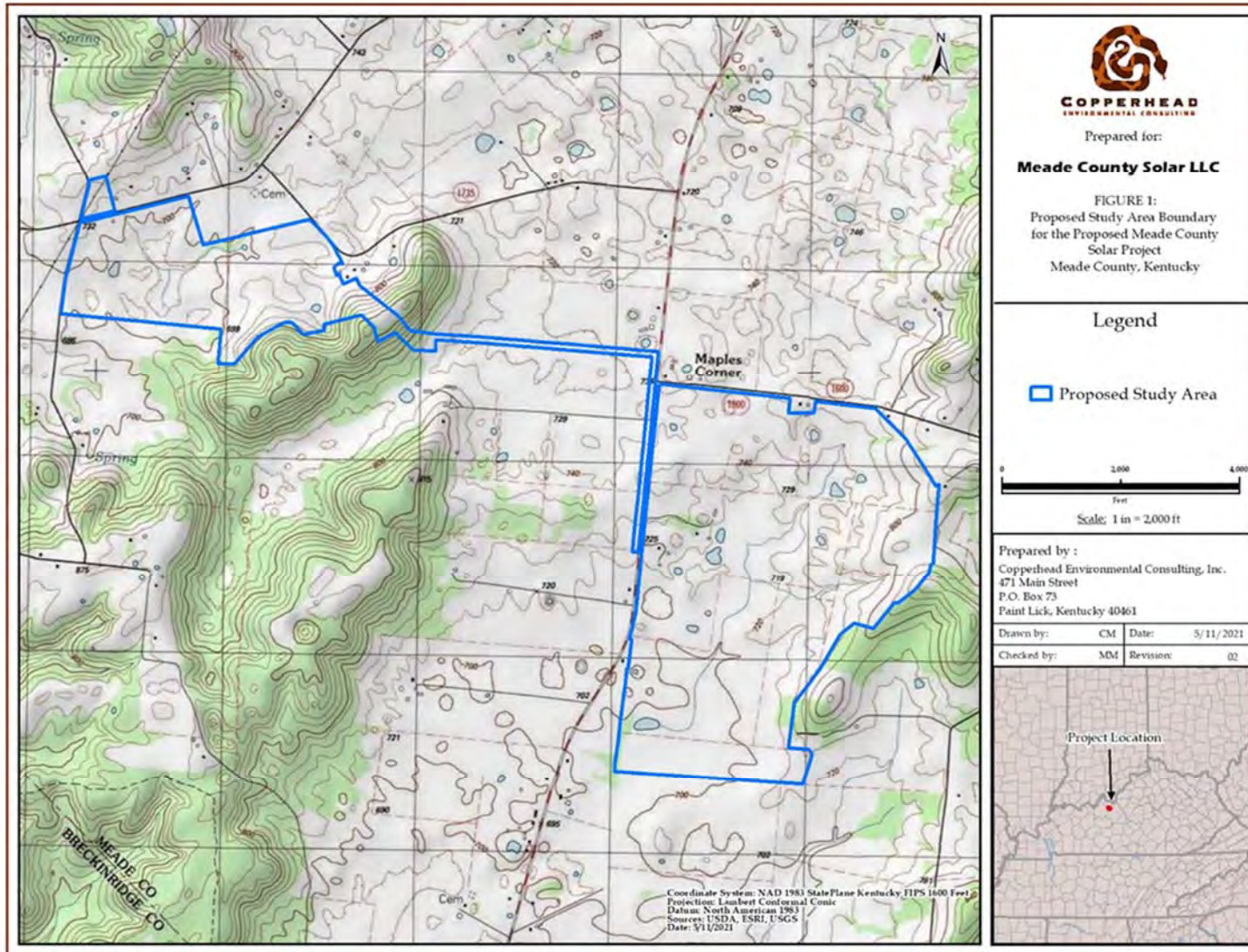


Figure 1. Project Location

Air Pollutants

The Clean Air Act regulates the emission of air pollutants and, through its implementing regulations, establishes National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for several “criteria” pollutants that are designed to protect the public health and welfare with an ample margin of safety. The criteria pollutants are ozone, particulate matter (PM), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrous oxides (NO_x), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), and lead.

Specified geographic areas are designated as attainment, nonattainment, or unclassifiable for specific NAAQS. Areas with ambient concentrations of criteria pollutants exceeding the NAAQS are designated as nonattainment areas and new emissions sources in or near these areas are subject to more stringent air permitting requirements.

Meade County and all surrounding counties (Breckinridge and Hardin in Kentucky; Crawford, Harrison, and Perry in Indiana) are in attainment for all criteria pollutants (EPA 2021). Meade County is also protected by Kentucky Air Quality Regulations found in Title 401, Chapters 50–68 of the Kentucky Administrative Regulations (KAR).

The Project will generate transient air pollutant emissions during construction and operation activities. Air quality impacts will primarily result from the staging and operation of construction vehicles, equipment, supplies, and worker personnel vehicles. The daily workforce for the Project during construction will vary depending on specific construction activities occurring on individual days. It is estimated that the work force will comprise up to 150 workers onsite at any time during the 6- to 9-month construction period. Construction and operation equipment will include, but not be limited to, backhoes, generators, pile drivers, and flatbed trucks.

Combustion of gasoline and diesel fuels by internal combustion engines will generate local emissions of PM, NO_x, CO, volatile organic compounds (VOCs), and SO₂. Emissions associated with these vehicles and equipment are expected to result in minor impacts to air quality because the sizes, number of vehicles, and hours each piece of equipment will operate will be small. For example, combustion emissions from a 200-horsepower diesel truck operating eight hours every day for three months will include less than one ton each of NO_x, CO, and PM. Emissions of SO₂ will be negligible because of the ultralow sulfur diesel fuel available on the market.

Tree clearing or vegetative debris is anticipated to be limited as much of the land planned to be used for the Project is open as it is used for cultivated crops. Tree clearing or vegetative debris will either be burned onsite in accordance with Kentucky’s Open Burning regulations (401 KAR 63:005) and applicable local regulations, or will be chipped, ground, and composted on-site or managed offsite at a permitted facility.

Construction activities will result in temporary fugitive air pollutant emissions (e.g., small particles suspended in the air or dust). Vehicles and construction equipment traveling over unpaved roads and the construction site will result in the emission of fugitive dust. A large fraction of fugitive emissions from vehicle traffic in unpaved areas will also be deposited near the unpaved areas. To

minimize air impacts, the Project will require all contractors to keep construction equipment properly maintained and to use best management practices (BMPs), such as covered loads and wet dust suppression if needed, which can reduce fugitive dust emissions by as much as 95 percent.

Air quality impacts from construction activities will be temporary and will depend on both man-made factors (intensity of activity, control measures, etc.) and natural factors such as wind speed and direction, soil moisture, and other factors. However, even under unusually adverse conditions, these emissions will have, at most, a minor transient impact on off-site air quality and will be well below the applicable ambient air quality standard. The effects to air quality from construction-associated activities will be temporary and localized. Overall, the potential impacts to air quality from construction-related activities for the Project will be minor.

During operation, the solar panels produce zero emissions, and therefore, the solar facility is not expected to emit any of the following criteria pollutants: PM, CO, SO₂, NO_x, VOCs, or lead. Similarly, the facility is also not expected to emit Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs).

The solar facility will only generate air emissions from worker vehicles and equipment for maintenance activities, such as mowers to control growth of vegetation. Project operations are expected to require 2 to 3 workers on site. These workers will drive in and out, Monday through Friday during business hours. Employees are anticipated to use mid- or full-sized trucks. The Project will be monitored offsite 24/7, and maintenance workers will be sent to the site if any changes in production or equipment errors are detected remotely. Inspections will include identifying any physical damage to panels, wiring, inverters, pad mount transformers, and interconnection equipment.

Additionally, grounds maintenance will be performed through an integrated land management approach, to include biological and mechanical control of vegetation, with herbicide applications as appropriate to control regulated noxious weeds per local, state, and federal regulations. It is anticipated that trimming and mowing will likely be performed periodically, approximately 20-30 times per year depending on growth rate, to maintain an approximate height of 10 inches to avoid shading the panels.

It is anticipated that there will also be benefits to air quality because the solar panels produce zero emissions while generating electricity. This benefit to local and regional air quality will occur over the life of the Project. No air quality permit is required for construction or ancillary operation activities.

Water Pollutants

Surface water

The Project is located within the Pilot Ridge - Sinking Creek (Hydrologic Unit Code [HUC] 051401041302) and Lower Otter Creek (HUC 051401040105) subwatersheds, which drains to Sinking Creek. The terrain is generally level farms with slopes less than 3% except for wooded

hills located in the middle and the east side of the Project Site. No waterways in or adjacent to the Project are designated as Outstanding State Resource Waters or other Special Use Waters as defined by the Kentucky Division of Water (KDOW). The hydrology within the watershed is influenced by karst geology and drainage for agriculture.

Wetlands, ponds, and streams are present within the Project Site. During construction activities, stormwater erosion and sedimentation may affect onsite surface water features (i.e., streams and wetlands). The Project will work with the existing landscape (e.g., slope, drainage, utilization of existing roads) where feasible and minimize or eliminate grading work to the extent possible. Typically, land that has been previously farmed for row crops does not require grading and posts can usually be installed onto these areas of the Project Site without earth disturbance. Any required grading activities will be performed with portable earthmoving equipment and will result in a consistent slope to the local land.

Meade County Solar expects the Project to result in the discharge of stormwater during construction. Meade County Solar intends to comply with the KDOW's Construction Storm Water Discharge General Permit for those construction activities that disturb one acre or more. Meade County Solar will submit a Notice of Intent to KDOW at least seven days prior to the commencement of construction and KDOW will review the notice of intent and provide notification of authorization to discharge. When construction is completed, Meade County Solar will provide a notice of termination upon completion.

To manage stormwater, use of BMPs, including silt fences, on-site temporary sediment basins, sediment traps, and/or buffer zones (e.g., 25 feet) surrounding jurisdictional streams and wetlands will be implemented. A site-specific stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) will be prepared and a copy will be kept available on site. These stormwater BMPs will minimize sediment from entering Waters of the Commonwealth and sediment migration off site during construction, prior to achievement of final vegetative stabilization.

Disturbed areas will be seeded after construction using a mixture of certified weed-free, low-growing grass and herbaceous plant seed obtained from a reputable seed dealer. Erosion control measures will be inspected and maintained until vegetation in the disturbed areas has returned to the preconstruction conditions or the Project Site is stable. Water may be used for soil compaction and dust control during construction.

Following the establishment of vegetation on disturbed areas and to minimize potential for water impacts, only USEPA-registered and approved herbicides will be used in accordance with label directions designed in part to restrict applications near receiving waters and to prevent unacceptable aquatic impacts. All herbicides will be applied by Kentucky licensed and certified commercial pesticide applicators. Most vegetation control on solar farms is performed mechanically (i.e., mowing); however, limited amounts of herbicides are used around posts or in areas that are not able to be mowed.

Approximately 10-15 acres of the Project Site will be used as construction assembly areas (also called staging or laydown areas) for worker assembly, vehicle parking, and material storage during construction. Some of these areas will be staged within the areas proposed for the solar or PV arrays. The laydown areas will be on site for the duration of construction. Temporary construction trailers intended for material storage and office space will be parked on site. Following completion of construction activities, trailers, unused materials, and construction debris will be removed from the Project Site. One or two operations and maintenance storage containers will remain on site during the life of the Project.

The operations and maintenance of the solar facility will have little impact on surface water, and BMPs will be used during any maintenance activities that have the potential to cause runoff of sediment and pollutants. Beneficial indirect impacts to surface water are anticipated due to reduction in fertilizer and pesticide use compared with current agricultural use.

Groundwater

Groundwater is water located beneath the ground surface, within soils and subsurface formations known as hydrogeological units, or aquifers (USGS 1995). Aquifers have sufficient permeability to conduct groundwater and to allow economically significant quantities of water to be produced by man-made water wells and natural springs. Kentucky Geological Survey (KGS) water well records indicate groundwater depths ranging from 50 to 241 feet deep with 100 to 125 feet being more common in Meade County. Groundwater levels fluctuate with seasonal and cyclical climatic variations in precipitation and may be either higher or lower at other times.

During the geotechnical survey, 14 borings were conducted that ranged from 5 to 20.5 feet in depth on the Project Site. No groundwater was encountered in any of the borings. Groundwater levels are expected to be deeper than the proposed constructions depths.

No direct adverse impacts to groundwater will be anticipated as a result of the Project. The PV panels will have a relatively minor effect on groundwater infiltration and surface water runoff because the panels will not include a runoff collection system. Rainwater will drain off the panels to the adjacent vegetated ground.

Meade County Solar intends to consult with the Groundwater Section of the Watershed Management Branch of the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet in regard to groundwater management practices on the project site. Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS) 151.110 Water Resources Policy - Duties of Cabinet and Kentucky Administrative Regulations 401 KAR 5:037 identifies groundwater as an important but vulnerable natural resource of the Commonwealth and recognizes the benefit of groundwater protection plans to protect groundwater resources. While a 'solar farm' is not one of the activities specifically identified in the regulations (e.g., storing bulk quantities of pesticides or fertilizer, landfills, mining), the Project will explore BMPs for groundwater protection.

Hazardous materials that could potentially contaminate groundwater will be stored on the Project Site during construction. The minimal use of petroleum fuels, lubricants, and hydraulic fluids during construction and by maintenance vehicles will result in the potential for small on-site spills. However, the use of a spill prevention, control and countermeasure (SPCC) plan will reduce leaks and spills and minimize the potential for adverse impacts to groundwater.

Fertilizers and herbicides will be used sparingly and in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations to avoid contamination of groundwater. Additionally, beneficial indirect impacts to groundwater could result from the change in land use from agricultural uses due to reduction in fertilizer and herbicide use.

No direct adverse impacts are anticipated as a result of project development due to the use of groundwater protection BMPs and a SPCC plan; there will be minor beneficial indirect impacts to groundwater due to the reduction in fertilizer and herbicide use as land use changes from agriculture to solar energy generation.

Waste

Waste will be generated during construction and operation of the solar facility and will be handled and disposed of in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations. Construction activities will generate solid waste consisting of construction debris and general trash, including wooden crates, pallets, flattened cardboard module boxes, plastic packaging, and excess electrical wiring. To the extent feasible and practicable, construction waste will be recycled and material that cannot be recycled will be disposed of offsite at a permitted facility to be determined by the designated contractor(s). No waste will be disposed of on the Project Site. Designated construction contractor and subcontractor personnel will be responsible for daily inspection, cleanup, and proper labeling, storage, and disposal of all refuse and debris produced. Disposal containers such as dumpsters or roll-off containers will be obtained from a proper waste disposal contractor and will be located in the on-site staging area or other areas, as appropriate. Records of the amounts generated will be maintained by Meade County Solar.

During construction of the proposed solar facility, materials will be stored on site in storage tanks, vessels, or other appropriate containers specifically designed for the characteristics of these materials. The storage facilities will include secondary containment in case of tank or vessel failure. Construction-related materials stored on site will primarily be liquids such as used oil, diesel fuel, gasoline, hydraulic fluid, and other lubricants associated with construction equipment. Safety Data Sheets for all applicable materials present on site will be made readily available to on-site personnel.

Construction activities will involve use of machinery (e.g., backhoes, generators, pile drivers, and flatbed trucks) fueled by petroleum products. Fueling of some construction vehicles will occur in the construction area. Other mobile equipment will return to the on-site laydown areas for refueling. Construction contractors will be responsible for preventing spills by implementing

proper storage and handling procedures. Special procedures will be identified to minimize the potential for fuel spills, and spill control kits will be carried on all refueling vehicles for activities such as refueling, vehicle or equipment maintenance procedures, waste removal, and tank clean-out.

Small quantities (less than 55 gallons, 500 pounds or 200 cubic feet) of janitorial supplies, paint, degreasers, herbicides, pesticides, air conditioning fluids (chlorofluorocarbons [CFCs]), gasoline, hydraulic fluid, propane, and welding rods typical of those purchased from retail outlets may also be stored and used at the facility. Due to the small quantities involved and the controlled environment, a spill could be cleaned up without significant environmental consequences.

Facility personnel will be supplied with appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and will be properly trained in the use of PPE as well as the handling, use, and cleanup of hazardous materials used at the facility and the procedures to be followed in the event of a leak or spill. Adequate supplies of appropriate cleanup materials will be stored on site.

Waste generation during operation will be minimal and will mainly result from the maintenance and/or replacement of worn or broken equipment and defective or broken electrical materials. All wastes will be managed by designated waste management company(ies) and disposed of in accordance with applicable federal and state requirements to minimize health and safety effects.

Portable chemical toilets will be provided for construction workers during Project development. Sewage will be pumped out by a licensed contractor and the sewage waste will be disposed at the Brandenburg Wastewater Treatment Plant or other regulated wastewater treatment plant. No adverse effects are anticipated from wastewater treatment and disposal. Due to the size of the facility, no additional or permanent bathroom facilities are anticipated.

Based on a review of Project waste generation activities, no adverse effects from waste are anticipated.

Water Withdrawal

One water supply well was identified on the Project Site. Water supply wells also were identified on adjacent properties. Aquifers beneath the Project have sufficient permeability to conduct groundwater and to allow economically significant quantities of water to be produced by man-made water wells. Water needed for construction and operation will be brought in, obtained from nearby existing wells, or provided by developing a new water supply well.

Construction-related water use will support site preparation (including dust control) and grading activities. During earthwork for the grading of access roads, foundations, equipment pads, and other components, the primary use of water will be for compaction and dust control. Smaller quantities will be required for preparation of the equipment pads, equipment washing, and other minor uses. The SWPPP will include requirements for using water to clean equipment and

appropriately disposing of this wastewater. The expected water volume needed for construction activities is not expected to adversely affect local or regional water resources.

The internal access roads will not be heavily traveled during normal operation, and consequently, water use for dust control is not expected. Equipment washing and any potential dust control discharges will be handled in accordance with BMPs described in the SWPPP for water-only cleaning.

Operation of solar electricity generating facilities is not water-use intensive. Precipitation in the region is adequate to remove dust and other debris from the PV panels while maintaining energy production; therefore, manual panel washing with water or any other substance is likely not part of regular solar project maintenance. Additionally, rain will contribute to ongoing vegetation management. Some water will be needed for vegetation management, including: during screening vegetation installation and during prolonged times of drought.

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SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER

Regulatory Expertise

- NEPA
- CWA
- RCRA
- NHPA
- ESA
- CAA

Industry/Agency Clientele

- Solar
- Pipelines
- Utilities/Traditional Energy Sources
- US Air Force
- National Guard
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Forest Service
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission
- Corresponding State Agencies
- FHWA & State DOTs
- FRA
- FTA
- TVA
- Academic Institutions & NGOs

Qualifications/Registrations

- Virginia Bar Association, Environmental Law Section
- District of Columbia Bar Association, Environmental, Energy and Natural Resources Section
- Lexington Environmental Commission
- Lexington Community Land Trust
- Town Branch Trail, Inc.
- Paint Lick Watershed Alliance

Trainings

- NEPA and the Transportation Decision-Making Process
- Public Involvement in Transportation Decision-Making
- Conducting Quality Cumulative Impact Analysis
- Context Sensitive Design
- Land Use Planning
- Environmental Justice
- Watershed-Based Planning
- ODOT Noise Analysis
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Environmental Review and Compliance for Natural Gas Facilities
- Regulatory Issues and Renewable Energy Facilities



Qualifications and Background

Mr. Marchaterre has significant environmental, regulatory, and permitting experience, and has overseen development of NEPA environmental documentation and supporting studies. He has been involved in more than 80 EISs, EAs, and CEs. Mr. Marchaterre has managed permitting, air quality studies, noise analyses, socioeconomic baseline studies, land use analyses, conservation and historic preservation analyses, community impact assessments, Phase I hazardous materials site assessments, biological assessments, wetlands delineations, environmental justice, cumulative impacts, and public involvement activities. For the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, he provided support to the National Environmental Justice Advisory Committee for two years.

Education

- **J.D. 1988**, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia
- **B.A. History and Political Science**, 1985, Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts
- Williams-Mystic American Maritime Program, 1985

Selected Project Experience

Tennessee Valley Authority

Wilson Dam Bridge Deck Refurbishment EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, Alabama.

Project manager for an environmental assessment analyzing the potential impacts resulting from refurbishment of the Wilson Dam bridge Deck spanning Pickwick Reservoir and connecting Colbert and Lauderdale counties, Alabama. Authored multiple resource sections and coordinated directly with TVA NEPA and project management team.

Kingston Fossil Plant Wastewater Treatment Facility EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, Tennessee.

Assistant Project Manager for an environmental assessment addressing installation of new wet flue gas desulfurization wastewater treatment facilities and modification of existing processes at Kingston Fossil Plant to enhance wastewater quality. Authoring resource sections and responsible for senior-level NEPA support and QA/QC.

Natural Resource Plan Supplemental EIS. Tennessee Valley Authority, Tennessee.

Assistant Project Manager for a supplemental EIS analyzing the implementation of a revised Natural Resource Plan covering 293,000 acres of TVA reservoir land. TVA manages 154 natural areas and conducts specific management activities compatible with the goals for each area. Providing technical review of draft resource sections, working with subject matter experts, and reviewing drafts of the Supplemental EIS.

Riverton Development Project EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, TN. Assistant project manager for an EA analyzing issuance of a shoreline construction permit associated with the proposed Riverton mixed-use development in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The permit would be issued under Section 26(a) of the TVA Act to allow Riverton to install floating residential boat docks and place riprap along the shoreline of the Nickajack Reservoir. Key issues included floodplain alteration, cultural and tribal resources, potential impacts on the NRHP-listed Chickamauga Dam Reservation, and conversion of a natural setting to one with mixed residential and commercial uses.

Chickamauga Law Enforcement Training Center Easement EA. Tennessee Valley Authority, TN.

Assistant project manager for an EA analyzing issuance of an easement and land use permit for development of a law enforcement training center on TVA land near Chattanooga, Tennessee. Key issues include avoidance of cultural resources and federally listed species, potential impacts on the NRHP-listed Chickamauga Dam Reservation, and impacts on transportation and noise. Required close coordination with TVA archaeologist and botanist.

Clean Water Act Section 401 Permitting Tool for TVA Natural Resources Group, Tennessee. Assistant project manager responsible for developing a new tool to ensure TVA Section 26(a) permitting is consistent with state requirements for Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certifications and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permits. Required clear and accurate identification of differing permitting processes across seven states (Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia) and three Corps districts (Nashville, Savannah, and Memphis).

TVA Programmatic EIS for Closure of Ash Impoundments in Alabama, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

For TVA, helped prepare the EIS for the closure of ash impoundments as a result of new US EPA coal combustion residuals requirements and TVA's goal to close wet ash storage facilities. The EIS evaluated the potential effects of multiple closure alternatives. Prepared scoping report and participated in five public meetings held at different power plants. Supported public involvement and developed materials and posters for the public meetings. Drafted text for the programmatic component as well as the site-specific analysis for closing ten ash impoundments at six different fossil fuel plants. Prepared comment response document and Record of Decision.

TVA Multiple Reservoir Land Management Plan EIS, Alabama, Kentucky and Tennessee.

For TVA, helped prepare the EIS for multiple reservoir land management plans (RLMPs) for 138,000 acres of TVA-managed public land on eight reservoirs. The updated RLMPs are needed to consider changes to land uses over time, to make land planning decisions on these eight reservoirs consistent with the TVA Land Policy and the Comprehensive Valleywide Land Plan and to incorporate TVA's goals for managing natural resources on public lands. Developed air quality, recreation, and cultural resource sections of the EIS, as well as provided technical review.

EA/FONSI, Ash Dewatering Facility at Shawnee Fossil Plant, Tennessee Valley Authority, McCracken County, Kentucky.

Supported development of EA/FONSI for a bottom ash dewatering facility to help TVA convert from wet ash storage to dry storage. Evaluated project affects to parks and nearby wildlife management areas and water use. Potential visual impacts on historic resources were a concern.

EIS for TVA Bull Run Fossil Plant Landfill, TN.

EIS Author and Technical Reviewer for preparation of an EIS to address the storage of coal combustion residuals (ash) generated at Bull Run Fossil Plant. Helped prepare draft sections of the EIS including hazardous materials and cultural resources components, as well as provided technical review of draft documents.

TVA Muscle Shoals Reservation EA, Colbert County, AL.

Supported the environmental assessment on the proposed relocation and realignment of essential operations at the Muscle Shoals Reservation. The EA evaluated three alternatives: 1) no action; 2) construct a new facility on a Greenfield site; or 3) modify an existing facility on the Reservation to house the relocated essential operations. Developed text for the EA and provided technical review.

Solar

Site Characterization Study for Solar Energy Development. Confidential Client. Breckinridge County, Kentucky. Assistant Project Manager for a site characterization study analyzing a property in Breckinridge County, Kentucky, for possible development as a solar energy generating facility. The study included a desktop review of federal and state data pertaining to sensitive resources such as listed species, wetlands or other surface waters, prime farmland, karst topography, and public and protected lands. Copperhead staff then performed a one-day field verification to characterize vegetative communities, possible bat habitat, and the presence of jurisdictional waters. A summary report was provided to the client which outlined potential environmental concerns and presented a permitting matrix delineated by issuing agency, trigger, and timeline.

Site Characterization Study for a Proposed Solar Energy Project. Confidential Client. Kentucky.

Managed a site characterization study to identify potential environmental constraints associated with land cover/use, soils, wetlands and watercourses, farmland, threatened and endangered species, and other considerations. The study included a desktop assessment using publicly available databases and a field reconnaissance survey of the subject property.

Biological Assessment for Indiana Bats, Northern Long-eared Bats, and Bog Turtle. Confidential Client, New York. Managing the development of a biological assessment with adverse effects to bat habitat. Consultation with United States Fish and Wildlife to develop mitigation alternatives.

Site Characterization Study, Wetland Delineations, Phase I ESA, and Cultural Resources Overview for a Proposed Solar Project. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Managed site characterization studies, aquatic resources delineation, Phase I ESA, and cultural resources overview for solar project on an approximately

800-acre parcel in Garrard County, KY. The study included a desktop review of federal and state data pertaining to sensitive resources such as listed species, wetlands or other surface waters, prime farmland, karst topography, and public and protected lands. A wetland delineation identified and demarcated aquatic features that may be jurisdictional waters of the U.S. or isolated waters of the state.

Site Characterization Study, Wetland Delineations, Phase I ESA, and Cultural Resources Overview for a Proposed Solar Project. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Managed site characterization studies, aquatic resources delineation, Phase I ESA, and cultural resources overview for solar project on an approximately 800-acre parcel in Metcalfe County, KY. The study included a desktop review of federal and state data pertaining to sensitive resources such as listed species, wetlands or other surface waters, prime farmland, karst topography, and public and protected lands. A wetland delineation identified and demarcated aquatic features that may be jurisdictional waters of the U.S. or isolated waters of the state.

Three Solar Projects - Site Characterization Study, Wetland Delineations, Phase I ESA, and Cultural Resources Overview. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Managed desktop review and field studies to support development of site characterization studies, wetland delineations, Phase I ESAs, acoustical analyses, and cultural resource overviews. A site reconnaissance identified potential habitat for federally listed and state-listed at-risk species and identified areas of potential concern, such as cemeteries..

Acoustic Analysis for Multiple Solar Projects. Confidential Clients. Kentucky. Managed acoustical analyses for multiple projects. Described existing sound levels from the project site and surrounding areas as well as potential impacts from construction, operation, and maintenance activities. Provided a report of the findings of the acoustical analysis. The report will contain a summary of the project, describe existing sound conditions, identify potential sensitive receptors (e.g., residences), and evaluate potential construction and operation sound levels.

Critical Issues Analysis (CIA) for a Solar Facility. Confidential Client. Tennessee. Assistant project manager for development of a CIA. The CIA's goal is to gain a better understanding of the environmental issues that could potentially affect project development. Some of the resource areas Copperhead collected information on include vegetation communities and general wildlife, threatened and endangered species, migratory birds nests, soil types, and historic and cultural resources. The wetland/stream mapping's goal is to estimate how much of the Project Area may be wetlands as opposed to uplands and to identify anticipated buffer setbacks. The information gathered helps to inform Copperhead and the client about what regulations will need to be adhered to and what permits will need to be acquired.

Critical Issues Analysis (CIA) for a Solar Facility. Confidential Client. Mississippi. Assistant project manager for development of a CIA. The CIA's goal is to gain a better understanding of the environmental issues that could potentially affect project development. Some of the resource areas Copperhead collected information on include vegetation communities and general wildlife, threatened and endangered species, migratory birds nests, soil types, and historic and cultural resources. The wetland/stream mapping's goal is to estimate how much of the Project Area may be wetlands as opposed to uplands and to identify anticipated buffer setbacks. The information gathered helps to inform Copperhead and the client about what regulations will need to be adhered to and what permits will need to be acquired.

Multiple Studies for Solar Facility. Confidential Client. Kentucky. Project manager for a site characterization study, a wetlands delineation, an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (JD) from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Louisville District, a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), cultural resource assessments, a threatened and endangered species habitat assessment, a preliminary geotechnical site characterization, and prepare an acoustical analysis.

Bat Conservation Plans for Solar Projects. Confidential Client. Virginia. Technical reviewer for multiple bat conservation plans to reduce potential impacts from solar projects on bat roosting, foraging, and commuting habitat.

Transportation

Threatened and Endangered Species Habitat Assessments and Surveys, Bridging Kentucky Program, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Project Manager. Throughout Kentucky, Copperhead as subconsultant is tasked with providing environmental services including coordination for Threatened and Endangered Species (TES), assessment of potential habitat, preparation of biological assessments, programmatic agreement comments, and NEPA permit assistance (including Section 401/404 and U.S. Coast Guard Section 10) for the program to rehabilitate or replace over 1,000 bridges in the next six years. Screened over 400 bridges for environmental concerns and potential TES habitat. Conducting habitat assessments, mussel and fish surveys, and preparing permits, biological assessments, and no effect documentation.

EA/FONSI, US 68, Bourbon-Nicholas Counties, Kentucky. Item No. 7-310.00.

Prepared an EA and individual Section 4(f) evaluation as well as baseline studies for this 13.3-mile project. Section 106 issues were a critical component due to over 50 historic sites and 2 historic districts. Seventeen alternates were considered to avoid or minimize impacts to historic sites and prime farmland. Section 401/404 and floodplain construction permits and stream mitigation required due to 10,000 feet of channel change. Developed a public involvement plan and participated in public meetings, a public hearing, and Section 106 consulting party meetings.

EA/FONSI, East Nicholasville Bypass, Jessamine County, Kentucky.

Prepared an EA and managed the development of the FONSI for this 7-mile project. Managed the historic and archaeological studies of several farm sites. Due to potential impacts to a historic site, avoidance alternates were developed. Prepared socioeconomic, traffic noise and hazardous materials/underground storage tank studies and oversaw the other environmental base studies and addenda. Helped address concerns about economic impacts of developing the bypass and visual/noise concerns for residents. Supported citizen advisory committee meetings, public information meetings and the public hearing. Participated in the biological assessment for running buffalo clover, Indiana bat and gray bat.

EA/FONSI, US 60 Tennessee River Crossing, McCracken-Livingston Counties, Kentucky.

Managed preparation of the EA and Section 4(f) evaluation for the replacement of the historic George Rogers Clark Memorial Bridge and approaches. Oversaw minimization and mitigation efforts for wetlands, floodplains, historic bridge, and relocations.

EA/FONSI, US 119 (Partridge to Whitesburg), KYTC, Letcher County, Kentucky.

Project Manager. Managed preparation of two EAs and baseline studies for two connecting projects (14.8 miles in length). Managed public involvement activities (Pine Mountain Crossing Task Force, public meetings, and public hearings), and oversaw minimization and mitigation efforts for wetland, stream, floodplain, historic and relocation impacts. Due to numerous crossings of the Poor Fork of the Cumberland River and potential impacts to the Bad Branch Nature Preserve, Pine Mountain Wildlife Management Area, and a historic site, this project evaluated Section 4(f) impacts, numerous alternates, the potential impacts of 20 bridges, a 4.2-mile tunnel, and several waste areas. Managed the biological assessment for the Indiana bat, gray bat, and blackside dace. Participated in the Section 401 and 404 permitting process for wetland and stream impacts.

Categorical Exclusion 2, Town Branch Trail Phase 6, Fayette County, Kentucky. Item No. 7-7310.00.

Project Manager for Town Branch Trail Phase 6 Categorical Exclusion. Conducted environmental studies and prepared environmental documents for the multi-use trail between McConnell Springs Drive on Old Frankfort Pike to Oliver Lewis Way. Participated in project and public meetings on the proposed trail and developed Section 4(f) evaluation of potential impacts on historic James McConnell House as well as dry laid retaining walls along Town Branch.

Mitigation Support. Newtown Pike Extension, Fayette County, Kentucky. Item No. 7-593.00.

For the Community Land Trust, providing environmental justice advocacy for a low-income, minority neighborhood concerning EIS commitments and mitigation due to the Newtown Pike Extension. Reviewed environmental justice commitments, oversaw streetscape design work, examined traffic calming measures and plans for adjacent park, bike lanes, and bus transit facilities.

Categorical Exclusion and Programmatic Section 4(f), US 25 (Williamstown), Grant County, Kentucky. Item No. 6-1049.00.

Prepared the CE and Programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation concerning a bridge replacement / road improvement project. Historic sites, traffic noise, a senior citizen home, mobile home park relocation, business relocations, a railroad line, and park access were concerns. Worked with KY Department of Local Government to avoid Section 6(f) impacts due to a new park access.

Environmental Documentation for All Aboard Florida High Speed Rail, Florida.

For All Aboard Florida, developed technical baseline documents and provided technical review of methodology, existing environment, and environmental consequences sections for an approximately 128-mile section of a high-speed rail project from West Palm Beach to Miami, Florida. Involved in cultural resources, transportation, public utilities, and aesthetic components. Reviewed cultural resource report prepared by a subconsultant. Potential impacts to historic districts and resources were a concern. For All Aboard Florida, helped to review the DEIS prepared by a Third Party for Federal Railroad Administration.

Heartland Parkway Planning Study, Adair, Green, Taylor, Marion, Nelson, and Washington Counties, Kentucky.

Managed the environmental evaluation of the 68-mile corridor scoping study. Helped identify project needs and potential environmental concerns (historic battlefield, parks, conservation areas, endangered species, and cave/karst terrain). Identified the regional needs for improving/supporting economic development, tourism, higher education, and the agricultural sector. Participated in extensive public involvement activities. Managed the archaeological overview and Phase I archaeological survey for the 23-mile design project in Taylor and Adair Counties.

Environmental Assessment, KY 313, Hardin and Meade Counties, Kentucky.

Prepared an EA and FONSI for this 14-mile project. Managed the preparation of environmental baseline studies. Prepared a purpose and need statement to help justify the project. Helped evaluate potential cave and karst impacts. Managed the biological field studies that captured a federally endangered gray bat in the project area and helped evaluate mitigation options. Supported public meetings and the public hearing and coordinated with federal and state resource agencies.

Environmental Assessment, KY 40 (Inez to Warfield), Martin County, Kentucky.

Responsible for the EA for this 8.5-mile project. Relocations, strip mines, cemeteries, a historic site, and stream channel changes were environmental concerns. A separate waste disposal area and industrial development site were later evaluated. Managed review of environmental impacts of the roadway segment crossing into West Virginia. Supported KYTC in coordinating with the West Virginia Department of Highways and other West Virginia resource agencies. Supported the historic consultant in

evaluating methods to minimize potential indirect visual impacts of the proposed roadway and bridge on a historic site. Participated in stream mitigation and permitting activities.

Categorical Exclusion and Programmatic Section 4(f), US 25 (Williamstown), Grant County, Kentucky.
Prepared the CE and Programmatic Section 4(f) and managed the environmental studies concerning a bridge replacement and road improvement project. Historic sites, traffic noise, a senior citizen home, a mobile home park, business relocations, a railroad line, and a park were issues. Worked with the KY Department of Local Government to avoid a Section 6(f) impact during the development of new access to a park.

Environmental Assessment/US 68 (Columbia to Greensburg), Green and Adair Counties, Kentucky.
Prepared an EA for this 16-mile project. Managed the preparation of environmental overviews and baseline environmental studies, including wetlands, noise, air quality, Phase I ESA, socioeconomic, and threatened and endangered species. Oversaw the development of a cultural historic overview and survey and an archaeological overview, an archaeological high probability study, and a Phase I archaeological survey. Supported the citizen advisory committee, public meetings, and a Section 106 consulting party meeting. Aided the roadway designers in developing alternates to avoid impacts to a historic farm and in evaluating a land bridge over a historic railroad tunnel rather than imploding the tunnel. Worked with the cultural historian to analyze the potential indirect visual and vibration impacts of the land bridge on the tunnel.

Environmental Assessment for the Leslie, Knott, Letcher Perry County Community Action Council for Intermodal Transit Facility and Parking Structure, Hindman, Kentucky.

Managed the EA and environmental studies to secure federal funding for the rehabilitation of a 46-year old former jail building to be an intermodal transit facility and creation of a street level 150-space parking structure. Potential floodplain impacts, environmental justice concerns, archaeological sites, and historic viewshed effects were evaluated. Worked closely with Community Action Council and design firm to avoid and minimize impacts.

Documented CEs and EAs for Transit Projects, Christian, Clay, Franklin, Jefferson, and Knott Counties, Kentucky.

Managed successful preparation of Documented CEs and EAs for transit facilities, maintenance facilities, bus wash, and parking structures with the KYTC Office of Transportation Delivery. For a proposed City of Frankfort Transit bus wash/maintenance facility, a documented CE was completed within one month to meet a funding deadline. Mr. Marchaterre participated in all aspects of this project including desktop environmental analysis, site reconnaissance, agency coordination, and report preparation.

Environmental Studies and Categorical Exclusion for Clays Mill Road, Fayette County, Kentucky.

Project Manager responsible for the categorical exclusion and supporting studies for a 3.7-mile project in Lexington, KY. Prepared the HazMat/UST baseline study and assisted with the traffic noise modeling. Managed the sampling of streams, fish and macroinvertebrates to determine water quality. Groundwater in the project area is hydrologically sensitive due to the karst topography. Participated in citizen advisory committee and public meetings.

Environmental Assessment for Memphis Regional Intermodal Facility, Private Client, Rossville, TN.

Technical Reviewer and Author for a complex EA for a 650-acre intermodal facility. Conducted technical review of EA and baseline studies including Stream Assessment Report, Ecology Study Report, Noise Assessment Report, Cultural Resources, and Phase I archaeological Survey, and Viewshed Analysis. The intermodal facility will improve freight transportation capacity in the region and used Tiger Grant funds. FHWA is the lead federal agency with TDOT as lead state agency. Twenty-one out of 29 federal, state, and local agencies requested to participate in the NEPA process. To adequately involve the public, both a

public information meeting and a public hearing were conducted in the local area. Completed the NEPA process in approximately one year, fastest for TDOT.

Federal Railroad Administration Categorical Exclusion for TIGER Grant for Railroad Bridge Replacement, IN.

Prepared Categorical Exclusion for historic bridge replacement partially funded from a TIGER grant. Categorical Exclusion was prepared for a private railroad for submission to the Federal Railroad Administration. A Memorandum of Agreement was developed between the US Army Corps of Engineers, State Historic Preservation Office, and the railroad to document the replacement of the historic bridge.

140-Mile Virginia Rail Expansion (VRE) Project, Virginia.

Managed cultural resources and environmental constraints analysis for proposed 140-mile expansion project. Oversaw archival and field studies to identify historic and ecological resources within areas of potential effect. Identified NEPA categorical exclusions that could apply to sections of the project area to speed the permitting process.

Third Party Review of Tier I EIS Process for Empire Corridor High Speed Rail Corridor, New York.

For a private railroad company, reviewed Tier I EIS process for the 463-mile Empire Corridor for High Speed Rail from New York City to Niagara Falls. Provided recommendations and position paper on Draft Tier I EIS process and opportunities for the railroad company to participate in the NEPA process both formally and informally. Evaluated potential impacts to railroad operations of an additional track for high speed rail.

Third Party Review of Tier II EIS for Southeast High-Speed Rail Corridor, Richmond, VA to Raleigh, NC.

For a private railroad company, reviewed Draft Tier II EIS for the Southeast High-Speed Rail Corridor and provided recommendations and comments on Draft Tier II EIS document and potential impacts to railroad operations.

Environmental Studies and Categorical Exclusion for KY 32, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Lawrence County, Kentucky.

Project Manager for the environmental studies for KY 32 in Lawrence County, KY. Prepared a Categorical Exclusion and Programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation for minor impacts to two historic sites. Identified potential onsite mitigation opportunities for approximately 3,000 feet of stream channel changes. Historic sites, a cemetery, and residential relocations were concerns.

Third Party Review of Tier I EIS for Atlanta BeltLine Project, GA.

For a private freight railroad company, reviewed Draft Tier I EIS for the proposed Atlanta Beltline Project for potential impacts to railroad operations. Concerns exist that a new transit line, trails, crossings, and designation of the railway line as a historic district would affect existing and future expansions of freight operations and safety. Prepared comments on the Draft Tier I EIS document. Participated in public involvement process, such as attending public meetings and workgroup meetings.

EA / FONSI, US 60 Bypass, Daviess County, Kentucky. Item No. 2-287.00.

Managed preparation of an EA and FONSI as well as baseline studies for this 5.2-mile project. A Citizen Advisory Committee met five times to express area citizen and business views. Wetland, stream, and archaeological site impacts were concerns.

Categorical Exclusion for I-75/I-71 Auxiliary Lanes, Boone County, Kentucky.

For Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, prepared a Categorical Exclusion 3 for adding auxiliary lanes for I-71/I-75 in Boone County. Conducted ecological, air, noise, hazardous materials, and socioeconomic studies. Conducted noise studies and supported preparation of noise analysis. Noise analyses, noise abatement modeling, and noise barrier public meetings were critical to success of project. Noise barriers were determined to be appropriate mitigation for project.

I-69 Strategic Corridor Planning Study (Eddyville to Henderson), Lyon, Caldwell, Hopkins, Webster, and Henderson Counties, Kentucky.

Managed and helped prepare the environmental component for evaluating the 80-mile corridor for an I-69 segment. Identified potential environmental concerns (relocations, environmental justice, conservation areas, and endangered species). Managed aquatic / terrestrial, socioeconomic, hazardous materials / underground storage tank, and air and traffic noise analysis. Identified the regional needs for improving / supporting economic development.

Third Party Review of Socioeconomic Study for I-66 Project (London to Somerset), Pulaski County, Kentucky.

Provided a third-party review for the KYTC for the I-66 socioeconomic study. Evaluated economic and community impacts, potential residential and commercial relocations, environmental justice concerns, land use changes, and farmland impacts for a 40-mile highway project. Identified gaps in the socioeconomic analysis and provided recommendations on how to improve the study. Information from the revised study was incorporated into the EIS.

Technical Reviewer for Bus Maintenance Facility Categorical Exclusion (CE), Transit Authority of River City (TARC), Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Provides quality assurance/quality control for ongoing projects by TARC. For a bus maintenance facility annex on a former Louisville & Nashville Railroad site, analyzed traffic information, bus emission reductions, land use, historic resources, environmental justice concerns, and the potential for hazardous materials/UST contamination. Determined that a CE was appropriate and prepared the documentation which was quickly approved by the FTA.

Environmental Assessment, KY 55 (Heartland Parkway), Adair and Taylor Counties, Kentucky. Item No. 4-124.00.

Technical reviewer for preparation of EA for this 23-mile project. Managed cultural resource studies (archaeological and historic architectural surveys), Section 106 consultation, and Section 4(f) evaluation. Identified sensitive areas such as Tebbs Bend Civil War Battlefield area, Native American mounds, and potential historic sites.

East Market Street Streetscape Categorical Exclusion, Louisville, Kentucky.

For Louisville Downtown Development and Louisville Metro, prepared a categorical exclusion for the East Market Streetscape project. Potential impacts to historic structures in several historic districts were potential concerns that were addressed with coordination with the Kentucky Heritage Council.

Statewide Programmatic Agreement for Historic Timber Railroad Bridges, Georgia.

For a private client, worked with United States Army Corps of Engineers and State Historic Preservation Office to develop a statewide programmatic agreement for the replacement and repair of historic timber railroad bridges throughout Georgia. The programmatic agreement covered more than 300 bridges across the state.

United States Fish and Wildlife

Multi-State NiSource Habitat Conservation Plan Environmental Impact Statement, United States Fish and Wildlife Service and United States Forest Service, 14 States.

Supported development of an EIS for a habitat conservation plan and incidental take permit to cover 15,000 miles of pipeline in 14 states for the USFWS, USFS, FERC, USACE, and NPS. The EIS addressed unique subject matter and legal and regulatory concerns due to the large area covered and 43 threatened and endangered species considered. The Project crossed Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. Supported technical reviews, socioeconomic analysis, cumulative impacts, consultation, and participated in public involvement activities.

Department of Defense

Environmental Assessment for an Army Aviation Support Facility, Boone National Guard Center, Frankfort, Kentucky.

For the Kentucky Army National Guard, prepared an environmental assessment for a 30-acre proposed replacement site for the army aviation support facility which included maintenance facilities and a wash station. Evaluated potential noise impacts of helicopters taking off and landing at the facility and the cumulative noise impacts due to adjacent airport. Adjusted EA analysis to constantly changing project location. The site was in a karst area so potential impacts from subsidence and groundwater contamination were considered.

Environmental Assessment for Multi-Purpose Machine Gun Range, Indiana Army National Guard, Camp Atterbury, Indiana.

At the Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center in Indiana (approximately 33,100 acres), Preparing an environmental assessment for a multipurpose machine gun range. Assessed potential environmental impacts, including cumulative impacts, of short-range site plans and long-range plans for developing and managing the installation. Reviewed existing site studies and worked closely with facility staff to analyze plans and potential effects. Worked closely with client and design team to minimize impacts to forested wetlands, streams, and floodplains. Evaluated socioeconomic and land use impacts from creation of new training areas on the facility and nearby communities. Coordinated with federal and state resource agencies.

Environmental Assessment and Public Involvement, Muscatatuck Urban Training Center, Indiana. At the Muscatatuck Urban Training Center, supported the development of an environmental assessment for a new urban warfare and homeland security training center. Responsible for preparing portions of the Affected Environment and Environmental Impact sections for the EA. The Muscatatuck Urban Training Center (MUTC) would provide a new center for required urban assault and homeland security training at the former Muscatatuck State Development Center in Butlerville, Indiana. The MUTC would provide an urban training center to serve the wartime mission and combat readiness goals of military units as well as civilian homeland security and natural disaster response training needs. Natural resources on the proposed site include Pleasant Run, North Vernon Muscatatuck River, the Brush Creek Reservoir, and forested and non-forested lands. Preservation of historic structures was a significant concern. Prepared outreach materials and participated in public meetings.

Statewide Integrated Wildland Fire Management Plans (IWFMPs), Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, and West Virginia.

For the National Guard, managed preparation of statewide IWFMPs for training sites in multiple states. The IWFMPs developed programs to reduce wildfire potential; protect and enhance natural and cultural resources; preserve infrastructure and facilities; and promote safety. The IWFMPs examined the historical role of fire within and in the vicinity of installations; identified current ignition and fuel sources; and addressed fire training requirements and safety considerations including unexploded ordinance (UXO) and live fire areas. The IWFMPs recommended wildland fire prevention and

suppression measures, as well as prescribed burn management and site-specific burn plans. EAs were prepared for each IWFMP.

Integrated Natural Resources Management Plans (INRMPs) at Wendell H. Ford Regional Training Center (WHFRTC), Disney Training Center (DTC), and Hidden Valley Training Site (HVTS) and an Environmental Assessment (EA) for Training Operations at WHFRTC, Kentucky.

Managed two Environmental Assessments, three INRMPs, three Forest Management Plans (FMPs), and a state-wide Integrated Wildland Fire Management Plan (IWFMP) for three training sites. Worked closely with the KYARNG, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) as well as other federal, state, and local agencies with an interest in the management of natural resources. Also, evaluated approximately 3,000 acres of new maneuver training areas added to the Training Center for potential impacts to the environment of planned training activities.

NEPA and Planning Support to West Virginia Army National Guard, West Virginia.

Project Manager for environmental assessments for the West Virginia Army National Guard related to training areas, firing ranges, urban training centers, demolition ranges, readiness centers/armories, and army aviation facilities. Managed preparation of environmental assessments, land use plans, integrated natural resource management plans, forest management plans and endangered species management plans.

Indiana Bat Programmatic Biological Assessment, Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center, Indiana Army National Guard, Edinburgh, Indiana.

Oversaw the preparation of a programmatic Biological Assessment (BA) and associated formal consultation process with the US Fish & Wildlife Services regarding effects on Indiana Bats with respect to future routine training and land management activities and upcoming development projects at the approximately 33,132-acre Camp Atterbury Joint Maneuver Training Center. The BA was prepared in close coordination with the USFWS Bloomington Field Office. The programmatic BA will streamline the consultation process and reduce administrative costs for the INARNG and USFWS.

Programmatic Biological Assessment for the Indiana Bat, Northern Long-eared Bat, and Gray Bat, U.S. Air Force Arnold Air Force Base, Tennessee.

Managed development of a programmatic biological assessment of routine training, land management, and Elk River Dam operations at the 39,000-acre Arnold Air Force Base in Tennessee. Potential adverse effects could result from timber management, prescribed fire, tree clearing during summer roadside maintenance activities, hazardous tree removal, range operations, wildfires, or emergency repairs/inspections at the dam. The proposed action may affect, and is likely to adversely affect Indiana bats, northern long-eared bats, and gray bats that use habitat within/near the Arnold Air Force Base.

Training Site Master Plan, Camp Dawson, West Virginia. Managed preparation of a conceptual master plan for the Camp Dawson Cantonment Area and the Volkstone Training Area. The conceptual master plan assisted in setting strategic goals for the mission and vision of the base, and is the starting point for a more detailed Training Facility Master Plan (TFMP) that is underway. The TFMP provides a foundation for the future development of Camp Dawson. Helped identify current conditions, facility and site constraints, and opportunities for enhanced opportunities.

Design, Mitigation, and Geotechnical Services for Modified Record Firing Range, Camp Dawson, West Virginia.

Managed some of the design components of the modified record firing range. Provided technical review of the EA. Helped evaluate alternatives to minimize impacts to stream and wetlands. Managed development of erosion and sedimentation controls and coordination with state and Federal agencies on

mitigation and permitting issues. Oversaw optimization of target elevations to minimize required earthwork and geotechnical evaluations of the access road and range control facilities locations.

EA/FONSI for Armed Forces Reserve Center (AFRC), Buckhannon, West Virginia.

Managing the EA for the Buckhannon AFRC. Conducted a site visit and record search to evaluate potential environmental constraints, such as 100-year floodplains along Brushy Fork Creek. Developed a pdEA that evaluates environmental impacts on a 49-acre site and potential mitigation options for the proposed AFRC. The AFRC will replace a 48-year old armory and provide needed training facilities.

Environmental Assessment and Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for Armed Forces Reserve Center, Elkins, West Virginia.

Managed the preparation of a Phase I Site Assessment and an environmental assessment for an armed forces reserve center on a 112-acre site. The site was a former farm and strip mine site. The Phase I ESA did not identify any evidence of spills or contamination at the site based on a review of historic records, field reconnaissance, and a review of Federal and state databases. Cultural resources, wetlands, and roadway access were concerns.

Ripley Joint Armed Forces Reserve Center (JAFRC) Planning Charrette, Ripley, West Virginia.

Managed a three-day planning charrette for the proposed Ripley JAFRC. The purpose of the planning charrette was to conduct a fact-finding mission and to have discussions on the project details with key installation stake holders and to review the 1391 construction cost estimate. The planning report outlined the findings of the charrette and outlined next steps for the project.

Briery Mountain Range Development Plan EA, Camp Dawson, West Virginia.

Managed the EA for three proposed Briery Mountain Training Area ranges which include a Live Fire Breach Facility (LFBF), Hand Grenade Familiarization Range, and an Urban Assault Course (UAC). Coordinated with WVARNG to evaluate potential constraints, such as stream impacts, and to avoid and minimize environmental impacts.

Water Resources Management Plan, Camp Dawson, West Virginia.

Project Manager. Managed the preparation of a water resources management plan for the West Virginia Army National Guard for Camp Dawson (approximately 3,797 acres). Assessed current availability of data regarding Camp Dawson water resources including the Cheat River, streams and numerous tributaries. Conducted site visits and recommended management goals for surface water, wetlands, floodplains, and groundwater resources.

Environmental Assessment for Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) Updates, Marseilles Training Area (MTA), Illinois.

Managed EA for 2,850-acre MTA INRMP. Worked closely with Illinois Army National Guard and Illinois Department of Natural Resources, joint owners of the MTA. The EA evaluated potential environmental impacts of the plans for managing land, forest, aquatic and terrestrial habitat, special areas, fish and wildlife, rare species, pest control, and fire. The project allowed the ILARNG to remain in compliance with Army policy and other federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and to provide for no net loss in the capability of lands to support the military mission. Also, evaluated training plan for the construction and operation of ranges and other training facilities. Covered 15 proposed projects including range expansions, new ranges, live-fire breach facility, anti-tank range, grenade launcher range relocation, live fire shoot house, training support facility development projects, and training area maintenance projects.

Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans (INRMPs), Environmental Assessments and an Endangered Species Management Plan (ESMP), Camp Crowder and Camp Clark Training Sites, MOARNG, Newton and Vernon Counties, Missouri.

Assistant Project Manager. Responsible for preparing two INRMPs and EAs for Camp Crowder and Camp Clark, which are comprised of 4,300 acres and 1,287 acres, respectively. Management Plans revised in this INRMP included land use, forest, aquatic and terrestrial species, special natural areas, fish and wildlife, rare species, pests, and fire.

Joint Land Use Study (JLUS), Camp Atterbury and Muscatatuck Urban Training Center (MUTC) | Bartholomew, Brown, Jennings, and Johnson Counties, Indiana.

Author and Technical Reviewer. Helped prepare the Camp Atterbury and MUTC JLUS, which is a cooperative land use planning effort by communities and military installations to jointly ensure future compatible development. The JLUS involved four south-central Indiana counties; several cities/towns, such as Columbus, Edinburgh, and North Vernon; economic development and regulatory agencies; and the two military installations. After extensive public involvement activities, the JLUS identified compatible land use and growth management guidelines and recommendations, which are now being implemented.

Recreation

Environmental Assessment for Sports Park, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

For the City of Elizabethtown, conducted environmental studies and prepared permit applications for a proposed 200-acre sports complex that includes soccer fields, baseball fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, and hiking trails. Worked with the designer to minimize impacts to environmental resources by shifting trails and parking areas. Managed wetlands delineations, archaeological surveys, Phase I environmental site assessment, and a threatened and endangered species habitat survey. Worked with the USFWS on mitigation for potential impacts to the federally endangered Indiana bat.

Noise Studies for World Shooting and Recreational Complex, Sparta, Illinois - For the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, managed the preparation of noise studies for the development of a 1,600 acre shooting complex in Sparta, Illinois. Environmental assessment was prepared on an expedited schedule so that the Grand American Trapshooting Championships could be held at the complex opening. Evaluated potential noise impacts on adjacent property owners and recommended use of berms to minimize impacts. The site includes 120 trap shooting fields covering 3.5 miles, 24 skeet fields, 2 courses for sporting clays, and archery fields.

Town Branch Trail Environmental Education Sign Project - Using a Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Resources grant, prepared environmental education signs and booklet on fourteen topics associated with Town Branch Creek and its environmental context. The role of water in the environment is a main focus of the project, along with raising awareness about human impacts on ecosystems and ways to reduce those impacts. An exhibit and outreach materials were developed. The environmental sign project exhibit was on display at the state wildlife center for two months. The exhibit has also been displayed at libraries, schools, and the Children's science center. Environmental education signs have been fabricated and placed along the completed sections of the Town Branch Trail.

Environmental Studies for Isaac Murphy Park Development, Lexington, KY. Provided technical oversight of the environmental and cultural resource studies for the Isaac Murphy Memorial Art Garden Project in downtown Lexington. Participated in public archaeology events to promote park and understanding of neighbourhood history. Due to minority and low-income neighbourhoods, environmental justice was a concern.

Southwest Jefferson County Greenways, Louisville Metro Parks Department, Louisville. Supported Louisville Metro Parks Department develop a master plan to create greenways in southwest Jefferson County which will include shared use trails. The study area covers approximately 97 square miles or a quarter of Jefferson County. Identified ways to include cultural resources into the planning process such as historic properties to be destinations or waypoints for the education and benefit of trail users or archaeological sites to avoid. Provided technical review of draft documents and outreach materials.

Pipelines

206-Mile Lobos CO2 Pipeline Project, Kinder Morgan, New Mexico and Arizona.

Assistant ecological team lead supporting wetland and waters of the U.S. delineation, threatened and endangered species studies, and vegetation / habitat assessments in support of permitting for a proposed 206-mile CO2 pipeline to be used in enhanced oil recovery process. Technical reviewer of draft Bureau of Land Management (BLM) plan of development and supporting ecological and cultural documents. Agency coordination includes the BLM, USACE, USFWS, Native American Nations, and state and local regulatory agencies from Arizona and New Mexico.

Cortez Loop Pipeline Extension, Kinder Morgan, New Mexico.

Assistant ecological team lead for 40-mile pipeline extension, four new pump stations and other associated facilities. Ecological, paleontological resources, and cultural resource studies were undertaken for this proposed pipeline extension. Access roads and potential compressor stations and temporary storage areas were evaluated. Agency coordination included the Bureau of Land Management, United States Army Corps of Engineers, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and state and local regulatory agencies.

Supplemental Environmental Assessment for Relocation of a Petroleum Products Pipeline, CSX Transportation, Virginia.

Project manager for developing a supplemental environmental assessment for relocation of a 24-inch petroleum product pipeline due to the addition of 11 miles of a third railroad track. Approximately 3.0 miles of horizontal directional drilling occurred to reduce potential construction impacts to utilities, roads, water bodies and wetlands. Permitting, endangered species and floodplain issues were concerns, and required coordination with local, state, and federal regulatory agencies.

Sparrows Point Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Terminal and Pipeline Project, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Technical reviewer of cultural resource sections for FERC EIS for LNG facility and 88-mile pipeline. Acted as the third-party consultant to FERC for the preparation of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliant documents (the Draft Environmental Impact Statement [DEIS] and the Final EIS) for the LNG facility and related pipelines. The terminal is proposed for Sparrows Point, southeast of Baltimore in Baltimore County, MD and will can unload LNG ships, storing up to 480,000 cubic meters of LNG, vaporizing the LNG, and sending out the natural gas.

Environmental Documentation for Water Pipeline, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Project Manager for environmental studies and documentation for a 10-mile water pipeline for the Transpark Industrial Development. Oversaw cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, hazardous materials, karst, and threatened and endangered species investigations. Cumulative impacts were an issue because of potential impacts of future industrial growth in the area and karst terrain. Permitting and mitigation were concerns due to potential impacts to Mammoth Caves National Park. Public involvement was a key component due to citizen advocacy groups.

Dams and Levees

NRCS Upper Walnut Creek FRD No. 6 and FRD No. 21, Butler County, Kansas.

NEPA Manager for two dam rehabilitation projects, prepared environmental assessments. The projects purposes are to rehabilitate FRD 6 and FRD 21 to meet safety and performance standards for high hazard dams and provide flood water protection to downstream areas. The EAs included the NRCS environmental evaluation worksheet and discussions of threatened and endangered species, wetlands, environmental justice, economic and social conditions, and cultural resources.

NRCS Pine Creek Dam Rehabilitation EA, Oneida, Tennessee.

Technical Reviewer. Supported Pine Creek Dam rehabilitation EA and archaeological and architectural historic surveys. The EA included the NRCS environmental evaluation worksheet and discussions of threatened and endangered species, wetlands, environmental justice, economic and social conditions, and cultural resources. This multi-purpose dam and reservoir project serves as flood control and as the town's primary water supply.

Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) for Two Flood Damage Reduction Projects (Levisa Fork Watershed Section 202 Program), Floyd and Pike Counties, KY.

For the USACE-Huntington District, Project Manager for the preparation of sections for the structural and nonstructural flood damage reduction measures EISs in Floyd and Pike Counties, KY. Major issues included community impacts, environmental justice, cultural resources and terrestrial and aquatic mitigation. Identified concerns about the potential for residential and business relocation, impacts to property values, loss of community cohesion, the potential for induced flooding, hardships from raising residences, impacts to habitat for the Indiana bat, potential loss of tributary streams, and the potential impact of floodwall construction on the riparian corridor. Extensive agency coordination required.

EIS for Flood Damage Reduction, Pike County, Kentucky, Levisa Fork Watershed Section 202 Program. Supported development of Draft EIS assessing impacts of flood damage reduction alternatives within the Levisa Fork Watershed in Pike County, Kentucky for the USACE, Huntington District. Project alternatives include structural and non-structural components. Reviewed Habitat Assessment Procedure (HEP) analysis for terrestrial impacts and a stream assessment for tributaries. Major issues included community impacts, cultural resources, and terrestrial and aquatic mitigation. Project required extensive coordination with U.S. Fish and Wildlife.

Muddy Fork Conservancy District Supplemental EIS, Borden, Indiana.

A Supplemental EIS is being prepared for a new dam to provide additional municipal water supplies, control flooding, and create recreational opportunities. Early steps including reviewing technical and environmental studies to determine data gaps and areas for update. A review of the 1992 FEIS determined that a Supplemental EIS is necessary. Water supply studies were evaluated and revised in coordination with the water utility. The purpose and need section was expanded to include recreational opportunities for the reservoir.

Transmission Lines

Herleman to Meredosia Transmission Line, Ameren, Illinois.

Provided environmental planning support for the proposed 48-mile 345-kV overhead electric transmission line which crosses several named streams including the Illinois River. The Herleman to Meredosia line is part of Ameren's 330-mile Illinois Rivers Transmission Line initiative stretching from Palmyra, Missouri to the Illinois/Indiana state line. Supporting the development of a Conservation Plan in accordance with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) requirements for state-listed threatened and endangered species.

Meredosia to Ipava Transmission Line, Ameren, Illinois.

Provided environmental planning support for the Meredosia to Ipava Transmission Line, Ameren, Illinois. The Meredosia to Ipava line is part of Ameren's 330-mile Illinois Rivers Transmission Line initiative stretching from Palmyra, Missouri to the Illinois/Indiana state line. Supporting the development of a Conservation Plan in accordance with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) requirements for state-listed T&E species.

Maywood to Herleman Transmission Line, Ameren, Missouri and Illinois.

Provided environmental planning support for a proposed 345-kV electric transmission line crossing of the Mississippi River on federal property near Quincy, Illinois. The Maywood to Herlemen line is part of Ameren's 330-mile Illinois Rivers Transmission Line initiative stretching from Palmyra, Missouri to the Illinois/Indiana state line. Supporting the development of a Conservation Plan in accordance with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) requirements for state-listed threatened and endangered species.

United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Nuclear Reactor Operator Examination and Licensing Study, Multiple States. For the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, conducted a study of the reactor operator examination and licensing function. Reviewed information collected from 300 written questionnaires. Conducted personal interviews with reactor operators, senior reactor operators, training managers, and plant technical managers at multiple nuclear power facilities, and NRC regional offices.

Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant Third Party EIS for Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Pennsylvania.

As a Senior Planner, prepared Third Party EIS sections for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on land use, transmission lines, cultural resources, cooling tower, and cumulative impacts for a new reactor at the Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant. Conducted site visits and interviews to evaluate existing and changes in land use resulting from the addition of a new reactor and changes to transmission lines. Reviewed the Environmental Report and prepared requests for additional information (RAIs) concerning potential data gaps.

Victoria Station Nuclear Power Plant Third Party EIS for Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Texas.

Senior planner developing land use, transmission line, cultural resource, and cumulative impact sections of a Third Party EIS for the proposed Victoria Station Nuclear Power Plant Project. Evaluated sections of the ER and prepared RAIs. Evaluated existing and changes in land use resulting from the facility and transmission lines.

Environmental Report, Confidential Client, Nuclear License Application Project, Michigan.

Technical reviewer of Socioeconomic sections of the ER for a new medical isotope production facility in the central US. This work is in accordance with the provisions of NUREG 1537 and related laws and regulations and entails the documentation of all socioeconomic baseline characteristics of the project site and vicinity.

Utilities

Electric Power Industry Waste Reduction Activities – For USEPA's WasteWise program, analyzed waste reduction activities at utility generating stations, distribution and transmission facilities, and recovery and warehouse operations, including PG&E facilities. Worked with the Edison Electric Institute to select utilities to profile for waste reduction and recycling activities. Conducted site visits to power plants in 6 states. Profiled PG&E's waste reduction activities at generating stations and distribution facilities; Investment Recovery and Warehouse locations, Fleet Maintenance; and General Office facilities. Life cycle cost analysis, solid waste consulting, employee and public education activities, and measurement

criteria were considered. Developed the Waste Reduction Activities of Selected WasteWise Partners: Electric Power Industry report.

Report to Congress on Fossil Fuel Combustion Waste – Supported USEPA in developing a Report to Congress on Fossil Fuel Combustion Waste. Worked on the technical studies concerning waste characterization, potential damage cases, risk analysis, and groundwater impacts. Evaluated existing federal and state regulatory requirements and cross media impacts of fossil fuel combustion wastes.

Guide for Industrial Nonhazardous Waste Management – For USEPA, helped develop the guide for the management of industrial nonhazardous waste management. The guidance applied to waste managed in surface impoundments, landfills, and land application areas. Worked with the Edison Electric Institute and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) to consider impacts of the guidance on the electric utility industry.

United States Housing and Urban Development

United States Housing and Urban Development Task Force Report on Lead-Based Paint (LBP) Hazard Reduction and Financing, Washington, D.C. For the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, provided support to the Task Force concerning the impacts of liability on LBP hazard reduction and victim compensation. Helped to draft a report and recommendations on reducing LBP hazards to children. Evaluated state requirements for LBP hazard reduction, management of lead-based paint contaminated debris, and state liability standards.

Draft Environmental Assessment for the Museum Plaza High-Rise and Parking Garage, Louisville, Kentucky. Project manager overseeing environmental studies and preparation of an environmental assessment for the proposed Museum Plaza, a new multi-use development in downtown Louisville. The proposed project would consist of a 1.5-million-square-foot, 62-story building containing residential units, office space, a non-profit contemporary art museum, two hotels, and the University of Louisville Master of Fine Arts program, as well as a portion of the university's graduate business school. Floodplain and cultural resource issues were potential concerns. A Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant is anticipated to help support this project and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation is being prepared to comply with HUD's requirements under 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 58.

Other Private Clients

Assessment of Visual, Auditory, and Lighting Effects of RiverPark Place Development on Cultural Resources, Private Client, Louisville, Kentucky.

On an accelerated schedule for a private developer, managed the assessment of potential visual, auditory, and lighting impacts from the waterfront development project on cultural historic resources. The project covered a one-mile Area of Potential Effect (APE) in Kentucky and Indiana. The development will include two 16-story structures surrounded by four 5-story structures for residential/commercial use. Two historic sites and part of a historic district will be adversely visually impacted by the proposed construction. Two historic sites also will be adversely affected by temporary construction noise and noise associated with increased vehicular or watercraft traffic. Worked with Kentucky Heritage Council to prepare an MOA for the project.

Environmental Overview and Phase I ESA for a Proposed Commercial Development, Frankfort, KY.

For a private developer, managed the preparation of a Phase I ESA, environmental overview, wetlands delineation, and an archaeological overview of a 100-acre site near I-64. The site contained an auto body shop and farmland that were evaluated for potential recognized environmental conditions. Coordinated with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet concerning developing a new access point on US127. Held discussions with City of Frankfort planners concerning requirements for site development.

Jefferson Commons, Outer Loop, Louisville, Kentucky.

For a private client, successfully obtained a Section 404 permit on a fast time schedule and managed the wetlands delineation and Phase I archaeological investigation for a development project along the Outer Loop in Louisville, Kentucky. Due to wetland and stream impacts, credits were obtained from a wetlands bank.

Fisherman's Energy Atlantic City Windfarm, New Jersey. Technical reviewer for cultural resource concerns related to National Historic Landmark Lucy the Elephant. Helped evaluate potential visual impacts of offshore wind turbines on listed National Register of Historic Resource. Helped coordinate with New Jersey State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on study needed to determine project would not adversely affect historic resources.

Electric Power Research Institute Bat Mitigation Alternative Manual, Nationwide. For the Electric Power Research Institute, developing a manual to evaluate mitigation alternatives, such as habitat enhancements, artificial roosts, conservation areas and banks, in lieu fee programs, and wetland creation for threatened and endangered bat species affected by utility operations, maintenance, and project activities. Evaluated information from government, non-profit, and commercial resources to identify compensatory mitigation alternatives. Analyzed peer-reviewed literature, data from bat working groups, and communications with regulators and other bat experts. The manual will quickly inform utilities about bat mitigation opportunities using graphic summaries, tables, decision trees, and case studies. As part of the project, developed user-friendly bat fact sheets for distribution to utility clients.