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INTRODUCTION

• The State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) is a combination of New York State statutory law (Environmental conservation Law, Article 8) and New York State regulatory law (6 NYCRR 617.1 *et seq.*). When applicable, SEQRA is a mandated process imposed on local governmental decision-making, including various County policies and projects.

SEQRA IS NOT ITSELF A DECISION-MAKING PROCESS

- SEQRA is not a process by which a project or other action is approved or denied. It is simply an aid to the government review process, identifying potential environmental impacts and potential mitigation measures to be considered prior to certain governmental decisions.
- When applicable, SEQRA must be completed prior to an approval of the action under consideration. Failure to complete required SEQRA review prior to undertaking, funding or approving a SEQRA action may result in an undoing of the action.
- The essence of SEQRA process is to ensure that environmental issues are injected into the decision-making process and a "hard look" is taken as to potential adverse environmental impacts of an action. It provides a vehicle "to impose substantive conditions upon an action to ensure that the requirements of [SEQRA] have been satisfied. The conditions imposed must be practical and reasonably related to impacts identified in the EIS" (6 NYCRR § 617.3(b)).
- SEQRA determinations may be challenged by any legally affected parties on the bases that (1) the SEQRA procedure was not properly followed, or (2) a "hard look" was not taken as to the potential adverse environmental impacts. The vehicle for such a challenge is a CPLR Article 78 proceeding.

SEQRA – 10-Step Process (4 Steps if No Environmental Impact Study [EIS])

1. IS THE ACTION SUBJECT TO SEQRA?

Not every action of the County is subject to SEQRA. The following are County actions that are subject to SEQRA:

- (i) "Projects or physical activities . . . that affect the environment by changing the use, appearance or condition of any natural resource . . ." that will be undertaken, funded, or approved by the County. (6 NYCRR § 617.2(b)(1)).
- (ii) "Planning and policy making activities that may affect the environment and commit the [County] to a definitive course of future decision." (6 NYCRR § 617.2(b)(2)).
- (iii) "Adoption of agency rules, regulations and procedures, including local laws
 . . and resolutions that may affect the environment." (6 NYCRR § 617.2(b)(3)).

What then is the "environment" that, if affected, may trigger SEQRA review under these circumstances? The "environment" is defined by the SEQRA regulations as "the **physical conditions** that will be affected by a proposed action, including land, air, water minerals, flora, fauna, noise, resources of agricultural archeological, historic or aesthetic significance, existing patters of population concentration, distribution or growth, existing community or neighborhood character, and human health." (6 NYCRR § 617.2(I)) (Emphasis added).

2. COMPLETE THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM (EAF) ELECTRONICALLY & CLASSIFY THE ACTION

All actions subject to SEQRA must be classified as either a "Type I" listing, a "Type II" listing, or "Unlisted." Actions are described in a listed format in the SEQRA regulations for both Type I actions (6 NYCRR § 617.4(b)(1)-(11)) and Type II actions (6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(1)-(46)). Any action not on either of those two lists is automatically, and by default, classified as an Unlisted action.

A Type II action is determined by the SEQRA regulations not to be subject to SEQRA review, because the State has pre-determined that they will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. (6 NYCRR § 617.5(a), (c)). Both a Type I and an Unlisted action require SEQRA review. A Type I action "carries with it the presumption that it is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment and **may** require an EIS. (6 NYCRR § 617.4(a)(1)). (Emphasis added).

If, at the outset, an action is obviously within the listing of Type II action, or if an EIS will definitely be required, then an EAF is not required. Otherwise, an EAF is needed.

Preparation of the EAF:

- (i) The EAF provides the decision makers with relevant information to assist with the typing of the action, and will form the basis for analyzing what the determination of significance of the action ought to be.
- (ii) There is both a "Short" EAF form and a "Full" (a/k/a "long") EAF form. The Short EAF form is used for more minor actions, not likely to have a significant adverse environmental impact. A Full EAF is required for any Type I action and for any Unlisted action if desired by the County.
- (iii) The EAF has 3 parts. Part 1 is the Project and Sponsor Information. Part 2 identifies the potential impacts. Part 3 is the "determination of significance" (discussed in more detail below).

3. LEAD AGENCY STATUS & COORDINATED REVIEW

Any federal, State, or local government agency that has approval power over the action is designated a SEQRA "Involved Agency." All of the Involved Agencies will be identified by whomever is preparing the EAF for the County. The "Lead Agency" is the Involved Agency that will be responsible for directing or leading the SEQRA review process. If there is only one Involved Agency, then that agency will be the Lead Agency. If there is more than one Involved Agency, there is a process to determine which of those Involved Agencies will be the Lead Agency. Any other federal, State, or local agency that is not an Involved Agency may ask to be an "Interested Agency" that simply allows them to receive notices and documents automatically if agreed to by the Lead Agency and otherwise allows them to participate in the process, but only to the same extent as any member of the public. No person or entity other than a governmental agency can be an Interested Agency. For the County, it must decide, based upon the action, which County entity that has approval power over the action will be the proposed County Lead Agency. In many cases it will be the County's legislative body, being the usual agency that will provide the funding for the action, even before undertaking or approving the action. However, it could be any County agency that has approval power over the action.

If there is more than one Involved Agency, a decision must be made as to whether to have a coordinated review with all other Involved Agencies, or to have each Involved Agency to conduct their won SEQRA review. It is the usual course to coordinate the SEQRA review among all Involved Agencies, to avoid a piecemeal approach to the SEQRA revie. Although there are instances when the review of an action will be uncoordinated. To coordinate the action among all Involved Agencies usually delays the action for about 30 days, unless there is more than one Involved Agency that wants to battle over who is to be Lead Agency. This is a rare occurrence, with the determination of which agency will be designated as the Lead Agency being decided by the Commissioner of DEC.

Typically, the first Involved Agency to begin review of the action decides to exercise its preference to be the agency taking Lead Agency, the lead role, in the environmental review of a project over which they have approval power. For purposes of County projects, policies or other SEQRA actions, the first Involved Agency will almost assuredly be the County, as it is the agency that desires to undertake, fund or approve its own project. In that instance, the County will likely desire to be Lead Agency. To establish its Lead Agency status, it has the responsibility to state its intention to do so and inquire of all Involved Agencies if they have any objections to the assumption of Lead Agency by the county. This is accomplished by sending to all Involved Agencies a copy of the EAF and a "Notice of Intent to Be Lead Agency" for the project. If no Involved Agency objects to the County's Notice within 30 days of transmitting this Notice to them (which is the usual case), then the County can assume SEQRA Lead Agency status. When a SEQRA review is coordinated with all Involved Agencies, the determination of significance (discussed below) by the Lead Agency binds all Involved Agencies.

4. DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

Within 20 days of becoming Lead Agency and reviewing the EAF and any other supporting information, the Lead Agency must make a decision as to the environmental significance of the action and set it forth in a "reasoned elaboration." (6 NYCRR § 617.7(b)(4)). Typically, the EAF is the guide and may be the only information necessary to make such a determination. The Lead Agency must take a "hard look" at the available information. The two usual and customary categories of significance are: "Positive Declaration" or "Negative Declaration."¹ The criteria for making a determination of significance is set out in (6 NYCRR § 617.7(c)).

A "Negative Declaration" is a determination that there will be no "significant adverse environmental impacts" upon the environment as a result of the action. (6 NYCRR § 617.2(z)). A determination of significance of a Negative Declaration ends the SEQRA process (with appropriate notices being filed).²

¹ A third choice is a "Conditioned Negative Declaration" (CND). It can only be used for Unlisted action, using a Full EAF and with a coordinated review. If the CND process is used, all identified significant environmental impacts must be mitigated and conditions ensuring such mitigations must be adopted by the Lead Agency. The public has a minimum 30-day comment period after the CND is published in the DEC Environmental Notice Bulletin. This determination is seldom used because there is a similar but more efficient Court-created process to achieve a Negative Declaration – by use of an EAF Expanded Part 3 (discussed below).

² However, at any time prior to the decision to undertake, fund or approve an action, the Lead Agency must rescind a Negative Declaration and issue a Positive Declaration if there are substantive project changes, new information is discovered, or changes in circumstances not previously considered, AND "the Lead

- (ii) A "Positive Declaration" is a determination that the action "may have a significant adverse impact on the environment" (6 NYCRR § 617.7(c)(1)). If there is a Positive Declaration, then the Lead Agency must decide if it will require the applicant to proceed through the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process. An EIS will be required unless the Lead Agency "determine[s] either that there will be no adverse environmental impacts or that the identified adverse environmental impacts will not be significant." (6 NYCRR § 617.7(a)(2)).
- (iii) Another often-used alternative is the use of method commonly referred to as an "Expanded EAF Part 3." This alternative is not set forth in the SEQRA regulations (although it is recognized in associated DEC SEQRA guidance documents). It is a court invented process, authorized by *Merson v. McNally*, 90 N.Y.2d 742 (1997), in which allows the deferral of the decision on the determination of significance until there is an opportunity for mitigation measures to be proposed to blunt any potential significant adverse environmental impacts of the action, with the result of a Negative Declaration.

5. IF THERE IS TO BE AN EIS, A SCOPE OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS) MUST BE PREPARED

A DEIS Scope is essentially the blueprint or outline of DEIS, identifying the potentially significant adverse impacts and how they ought to be addressed in the DEIS

- (i) Scoping is required, and the public must have an opportunity for participation in the process of scoping. At a minimum, the public must be given an opportunity to provide written comments to the lead Agency. However, the Lead Agency has the discretion to set a public scoping session, whereby the public would have an opportunity to voice their opinions on what should be studied in the DEIS, similar to a public hearing. (6 NYCRR § 617.7(a)(2)).
- (ii) For a county action, it would likely be the county or a county consultant that will provide a draft scope to the Lead Agency, which must be circulated to all Involved Agencies.

Agency determines that a significant adverse environmental impact may result." (6 NYCRR § 617.2(b)(2)). However, courts have determined that the mere passage of time does not warrant reopening of environmental review. In deciding whether to rescind a Negative Declaration the Lead Agency must identify the relevant areas of environmental concern, take a hard look at them, and make a reasoned elaboration for its determination to rescind or not to rescind.

6. IF THERE IS AN EIS, A DEIS (OR GEIS OR SEIS) MUST BE DRAFTED

The contents of a DEIS will be dictated by the DEIS scope and the required contents noted in the SEQRA regulations. ($6 \text{ NYCRR } \S 617.9(a)(2)$).

7. IF THERE IS AN EIS, LEAD AGENCY MUST "ACCEPT" THE DEIS AS ADEQUATE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW (AS TO SCOPE AND CONTENT) (6 NYCRR § 617.9(A)(2))

Within 45 days of receipt of the DEIS the Lead Agency must decide whether or not to "accept" the DEIS as complete. This is unfortunate language in that people believe that the DEIS process is over, when it has rally just begun. What the Lead Agency must decide at this point is whether the DEIS is adequate to be circulated to the other public agencies and the public for comment. It is a low bar, and is simply ensuring that the DEIS appears to be responsive to the DEIS scope and provides necessary information to allow an evaluation of the action's impacts, alternatives and mitigation measures. When the Lead Agency accepts a DEIS as adequate for public and agency review it must file a Notice of Completion, as provided in the SEQRA regulations.

8. IF THERE IS AN EIS, ALLOW PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY ON THE DEIS

There is no requirement for a public hearing, but the public must have a minimum 30-day public comment period to convey their reaction to the DEIS. The 30-day period commences upon the filing of the DEIS Notice of Completion.

9. IF THERE IS AN EIS, DRAFT THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (FEIS)

The FEIS is a document that is responsive to the public and government agency comments on the DEIS, and which may also modify DEIS conclusions and mitigations, if warranted. The DEIS is either physically or by reference incorporated into the FEIS document. It typically takes the form of public and agency comments noted, and a response to each (like comments can be grouped or combined together). The Lead Agency must accept/approve the FEIS.

10. IF THERE IS AN EIS, DRAFT THE SEQRA FINDINGS STATEMENT AS A RATIONALE FOR THE DECISION-MAKING

Upon acceptance of the FEIS the Lead Agency must draft and approve its SEQRA Findings. Prior to adopting the Findings Statement there must be at least 10 days provided for public and other comments on the FEIS (although there is no mechanism for modifying the FEIS based upon such comments). (6 NYCRR § 617.11(a)).

The Findings Statement must consider and weigh the FEIS and its "impacts with social, economic and other considerations, [and] provide a rationale for the [lead] agency's decision" on the action. Importantly, the Findings Statement must "certify that . . . the action is one that avoids or minimizes adverse environmental impacts to the maximum extent practicable, and that adverse environmental impacts will be avoided or minimized to the maximum extent practicable by incorporating as conditions to the decision those mitigative measures that were identified as practicable." (6 NYCRR § 617.11(d)).

Upon the Findings statement being adopted by the Lead Agency, SEQRA is completed, and decision-making on the underlying action may occur.

ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS GENERAL ETHICS RULES GOVERNING COUNTIES

At the forefront of our legal advice to our client is the matter of ethics. Generally, all municipal officials and employees in New York are subject to various rules of ethics, and the county is no different. From time-to-time attorneys in the Law Department or Office of the County Attorney may be asked to provide advice regarding the ethical conduct of county officials (including unpaid appointees) and employees, even in the context of SEQRA. There are three bodies of law that must be considered when dispensing any ethical advice to our county client.

For the county, as with all other such municipal officials and employees in New York, there exists two layers of ethical rules that must be followed – NY General Municipal Law Article 18 and the common law. In addition, as with many, but not all, local municipal officials and employees, there are applicable local ethics codes. County public officials, appointees and employees are bound to follow their county ethics and disclosure law.

In many instances, if the ethics query involves proposed future action, then the official, appointee or employee may seek an advisory opinion from a county ethics board. The advantage of an county ethics board advisory opinion is generally that the inquirer is not subject to penalties or sanctions by virtue of acting or failing to act due to a reasonable reliance on the opinion. Although typically the Law Department or County Attorney's Office refers employees and appointed board members to the Board of Ethics for an advisory opinion whenever possible, it may be more appropriate under certain circumstances involving broader applications of policy to provide management personnel of the departments, offices and boards with direct advice by the Law Department/Office of the County Attorney. If it is appropriate to render ethics advice, it must be understood that each of the three levels of ethics rules must be taken into consideration.

NY General Municipal Law Article 18 is rather narrow in its reach. It addresses mostly direct or indirect pecuniary or other material benefit interests that a municipal official, appointee or employee may have in a municipal contract if that official, etc. also has some oversight or involvement in the contract in their municipal role. Article 18 also prohibits municipal officials, etc. from (i) soliciting gifts from others, or accepting gifts of \$75.00 or more if it could be inferred it was

given to influence the person,³ (ii) receiving certain outside compensation,⁴ or (iii) disclosing municipal confidential information.⁵

A county ethics code may have broader prohibitions on the conduct of county municipal officials, etc., including, but not limited to, the acceptance of gifts, political solicitation, release of confidential information, and nepotism. Some examples from Orange County's Ethics Code restricting the conduct of County officers and employees:

- "[Officer/employee] shall not use his/her official position or office or take or fail to take any action in a matter which he/she knows or has reason to know may provide a personal financial benefit or secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for any person, employer, business, or prospective employer of any person."
- "[Officer/employee] shall not appear before any agency or department of the County except on his/her own behalf or on behalf of the County or on behalf of his or her constituent(s) in the case of an elected official or attorney therefor."
- "No County officer or employee with actual authority to cause the hiring of any person shall participate in any decision to hire any relative/immediate family member or member of the household of the person being hired."
- Shall not disclose confidential information, which is defined as information that, if in a document form, could be withheld under FOIL exemptions from production.⁶

Finally, the common law of municipal ethics must be considered, as the standard is more encompassing. Although usually applied in the context of municipal land use approvals, there is nothing in the common law that restricts this standard from being applied more broadly. The focus is on whether municipal conduct not otherwise specifically prohibited may nonetheless be considered a conflict of interest if the activity results in the mere possibility of a conflict; the goal being to avoid even the "appearance of impropriety," viewed objectively.⁷

³ NY General Municipal Law § 805-a(1)(a).

⁴ *Id*. § 805-a(1)(c), (d).

^₅ *Id*. § 805-a(1)(b).

⁶ Orange County Ethics and Disclosure Law (Local Law No. 9 of 2018, as thereafter amended).

⁷ See, e.g., Titan concrete, Inc. v. Town of Kent, 202 A.D.3d 972 (2d Dept. 2022); Parker v. Gardiner Planning Board, 184 A.D.2d 937 (3d Dept. 1992); Tuxedo Conservation & Taxpayers Assn. v. Town Board of Tuxedo, 69 A.D.2d 320 (2d Dept. 1979).

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6 NYCRR 617.2

Section 617.2. Definitions

Currentness

As used in this Part, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) Act means article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (SEQR).

(b) Actions include:

(1) projects or physical activities, such as construction or other activities that may affect the environment by changing the use, appearance or condition of any natural resource or structure, that:

(i) are directly undertaken by an agency; or

(ii) involve funding by an agency; or

(iii) require one or more new or modified approvals from an agency or agencies;

(2) agency planning and policy making activities that may affect the environment and commit the agency to a definite course of future decisions;

(3) adoption of agency rules, regulations and procedures, including local laws, codes, ordinances, executive orders and resolutions that may affect the environment; and

(4) any combinations of the above.

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6 NYCRR 617.4

Section 617.4. Type I actions

Currentness

(a) The purpose of the list of Type I actions in this section is to identify, for agencies, project sponsors and the public, those actions and projects that are more likely to require the preparation of an EIS than Unlisted actions. All agencies are subject to this Type I list.

(1) This Type I list is not exhaustive of those actions that an agency determines may have a significant adverse impact on the environment and requires the preparation of an EIS. However, the fact that an action or project has been listed as a Type I action carries with it the presumption that it is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment and may require an EIS. For all individual actions which are Type I or Unlisted, the determination of significance must be made by comparing the impacts which may be reasonably expected to result from the proposed action with the criteria listed in section 617.7(c) of this Part.

(2) Agencies may adopt their own lists of additional Type I actions, may adjust the thresholds to make them more inclusive, and may continue to use previously adopted lists of Type I actions to complement those contained in this section. Designation of a Type I action by one involved agency requires coordinated review by all involved agencies. An agency may not designate as Type I any action identified as Type II in section 617.5 of this Part.

(b) The following actions are Type I if they are to be directly undertaken, funded or approved by an agency:

(1) the adoption of a municipality's land use plan, the adoption by any agency of a comprehensive resource management plan or the initial adoption of a municipality's comprehensive zoning regulations;

(2) the adoption of changes in the allowable uses within any zoning district, affecting 25 or more acres of the district;

(3) the granting of a zoning change, at the request of an applicant, for an action that meets or exceeds one or more of the thresholds given elsewhere in this list;

(4) the acquisition, sale, lease, annexation or other transfer of 100 or more contiguous acres of land by a state or local agency;

(5) construction of new residential units that meet or exceed the following thresholds:

(i) 10 units in municipalities that have not adopted zoning or subdivision regulations;

(ii) 50 units not to be connected (at the commencement of habitation) to existing community or public water and sewerage systems including sewage treatment works;

(iii) in a city, town or village having a population of 150,000 persons or less, 200 units to be connected (at the commencement of habitation) to existing community or public water and sewerage systems including sewage treatment works;

(iv) in a city, town or village having a population of greater than 150,000 persons but less than 1,000,000 persons, 500 units to be connected (at the commencement of habitation) to existing community or public water and sewerage systems including sewage treatment works; or

(v) in a city or town having a population of 1,000,000 or more persons, 1000 units to be connected (at the commencement of habitation) to existing community or public water and sewerage systems including sewage treatment works;

(6) activities, other than the construction of residential facilities, that meet or exceed any of the following thresholds; or the expansion of existing nonresidential facilities by more than 50 percent of any of the following thresholds:

(i) a project or action that involves the physical alteration of 10 acres;

(ii) a project or action that would use ground or surface water in excess of 2,000,000 gallons per day;

(iii) parking for 500 vehicles in a city, town or village having a population of 150,000 persons or less;

(iv) parking for 1,000 vehicles in a city, town or village having a population of more than 150,000 persons;

• (v) in a city, town or village having a population of 150,000 persons or less, a facility with more than 100,000 square feet of gross floor area;

(vi) in a city, town or village having a population of more than 150,000 persons, a facility with more than 240,000 square feet of gross floor area;

(7) any structure exceeding 100 feet above original ground level in a locality without any zoning regulation pertaining to height;

(8) any Unlisted action that includes a nonagricultural use occurring wholly or partially within an agricultural district (certified pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law, article 25-AA, sections 303 and 304) and exceeds 25 percent of any threshold established in this section;

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(9) any Unlisted action (unless the action is designed for the preservation of the facility or site), that exceeds 25 percent of any threshold established in this section, occurring wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, any historic building, structure, facility, site or district or prehistoric site that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places (Volume 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, parts 60 and 63, which is incorporated by reference pursuant to section 617.17 of this Part), or that is listed on the State Register of Historic Places or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places pursuant to sections 14.07 or 14.09 of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law;

(10) any Unlisted action, that exceeds 25 percent of any threshold in this section, occurring wholly or partially within or substantially contiguous to any publicly owned or operated parkland, recreation area or designated open space, including any site on the Register of National Natural Landmarks pursuant to 36 CFR part 62 (which is incorporated by reference pursuant to section 617.17 of this Part); or

(11) any Unlisted action that exceeds a Type I threshold established by an involved agency pursuant to section 617.14 of this Part.

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6 NYCRR 617.5

Section 617.5. Type II actions

Currentness

(a) Actions or classes of actions identified in subdivision (c) of this section are not subject to review under this Part, except as otherwise provided in this section. These actions have been determined not to have a significant impact on the environment or are otherwise precluded from environmental review under Environmental Conservation Law, article 8. The actions identified in subdivision (c) of this section apply to all agencies.

(b) Each agency may adopt its own list of Type II actions to supplement the actions in subdivision (c) of this section. No agency is bound by an action on another agency's Type II list. The fact that an action is identified as a Type II action in an agency's procedures does not mean that it must be treated as a Type II action by any other involved agency not identifying it as a Type II action in its procedures. An agency that identifies an action as not requiring any determination or procedure under this Part is not an involved agency. Each of the actions on an agency Type II list must:

(1) in no case, have a significant adverse impact on the environment based on the criteria contained in section 617.7(c) of this Part; and

(2) not be a Type I action as defined in section 617.4 of this Part.

(c) The following actions are not subject to review under this Part:

(1) maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility;

(2) replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building, energy, or fire codes unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part;

(3) retrofit of an existing structure and its appurtenant areas to incorporate green infrastructure;

(4) agricultural farm management practices, including construction, maintenance and repair of farm buildings and structures, and land use changes consistent with generally accepted principles of farming;

(5) repaying of existing highways not involving the addition of new travel lanes;

(6) street openings and right-of-way openings for the purpose of repair or maintenance of existing utility facilities;

(7) installation of telecommunication cables in existing highway or utility rights of way utilizing trenchless burial or aerial placement on existing poles;

(8) maintenance of existing landscaping or natural growth;

(9) construction or expansion of a primary or accessory/appurtenant, non-residential structure or facility involving less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area and not involving a change in zoning or a use variance and consistent with local land use controls, but not radio communication or microwave transmission facilities;

(10) routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related to such closings;

(11) construction or expansion of a single-family, a two-family or a three-family residence on an approved lot including provision of necessary utility connections as provided in paragraph (13) of this subdivision and the installation, maintenance or upgrade of a drinking water well or a septic system, or both, and conveyances of land in connection therewith;

(12) construction, expansion or placement of minor accessory/appurtenant residential structures, including garages, carports, patios, decks, swimming pools, tennis courts, satellite dishes, fences, barns, storage sheds or other buildings not changing land use or density;

(13) extension of utility distribution facilities, including gas, electric, telephone, cable, water and sewer connections to render service in approved subdivisions or in connection with any action on this list;

(14) installation of solar energy arrays where such installation involves 25 acres or less of physical alteration on the following sites:

(i) closed landfills;

(ii) brownfield sites that have received a Brownfield Cleanup Program certificate of completion ("COC" pursuant to ECL § 27-1419 and 6 NYCRR § 375-3.9 or Environmental Restoration Project sites that have received a COC pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 375-4.9, where the COC under either program for a particular site has an allowable use of commercial or industrial, provided that the change of use requirements in 6 NYCRR § 375-1.11(d) are complied with;

(iii) sites that have received an inactive hazardous waste disposal site full liability release or a COC pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 375-2.9, where the Department has determined an allowable use for a particular site is commercial or industrial, provided that the change of use requirements in 6 NYCRR § 375-1.11(d) are complied with;

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(iv) currently disturbed areas at publicly-owned wastewater treatment facilities;

(v) currently disturbed areas at sites zoned for industrial use; and

(vi) parking lots or parking garages;

(15) installation of solar energy arrays on an existing structure provided the structure is not:

(i) listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places;

(ii) located within a district listed in the National or State Register of Historic Places;

(iii) been determined by the Commissioner of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places pursuant to sections 14.07 or 14.09 of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law; or

(iv) within a district that has been determined by the Commissioner of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places pursuant to sections 14.07 or 14.09 of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law;

(16) granting of individual setback and lot line variances and adjustments;

(17) granting of an area variance for a single-family, two-family or three-family residence;

(18) reuse of a residential or commercial structure, or of a structure containing mixed residential and commercial uses, where the residential or commercial use is a permitted use under the applicable zoning law or ordinance, including permitted by special use permit, and the action does not meet or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part;

(19) the recommendations of a county or regional planning board or agency pursuant to General Municipal Law sections 239-m or 239-n;

(20) public or private best forest management (silviculture) practices on less than 10 acres of land, but not including waste disposal, land clearing not directly related to forest management, clear-cutting or the application of herbicides or pesticides;

(21) minor temporary uses of land having negligible or no permanent impact on the environment;

(22) installation of traffic control devices on existing streets, roads and highways;

(23) mapping of existing roads, streets, highways, natural resources, land uses and ownership patterns;

(24) information collection including basic data collection and research, water quality and pollution studies, traffic counts, engineering studies, surveys, subsurface investigations and soils studies that do not commit the agency to undertake, fund or approve any Type I or Unlisted action;

(25) official acts of a ministerial nature involving no exercise of discretion, including building permits and historic preservation permits where issuance is predicated solely on the applicant's compliance or noncompliance with the relevant local building or preservation code(s):

(26) routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment;

(27) conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action;

(28) collective bargaining activities;

(29) investments by or on behalf of agencies or pension or retirement systems, or refinancing existing debt;

(30) inspections and licensing activities relating to the qualifications of individuals or businesses to engage in their business or profession;

(31) purchase or sale of furnishings, equipment or supplies, including surplus government property, other than the following: land, radioactive material, pesticides, herbicides, or other hazardous materials;

(32) license, lease and permit renewals, or transfers of ownership thereof, where there will be no material change in permit conditions or the scope of permitted activities;

(33) adoption of regulations, policies, procedures and local legislative decisions in connection with any action on this list;

(34) engaging in review of any part of an application to determine compliance with technical requirements, provided that no such determination entitles or permits the project sponsor to commence the action unless and until all requirements of this Part have been fulfilled;

(35) civil or criminal enforcement proceedings, whether administrative or judicial, including a particular course of action specifically required to be undertaken pursuant to a judgment or order, or the exercise of prosecutorial discretion;

(36) adoption of a moratorium on land development or construction;

(37) interpretation of an existing code, rule or regulation;

(38) designation of local landmarks or their inclusion within historic districts;

(39) an agency's acquisition and dedication of 25 acres or less of land for parkland, or dedication of land for parkland that was previously acquired, or acquisition of a conservation easement;

(40) sale and conveyance of real property by public auction pursuant to article 11 of the Real Property Tax Law;

(41) construction and operation of an anaerobic digester, within currently disturbed areas at an operating publicly-owned landfill, provided the digester has a feedstock capacity of less than 150 wet tons per day, and only produces Class A digestate (as defined in 6 NYCRR § 361-3.7) that can be beneficially used or biogas to generate electricity or to make vehicle fuel, or both;

(42) emergency actions that are immediately necessary on a limited and temporary basis for the protection or preservation of life, health, property or natural resources, provided that such actions are directly related to the emergency and are performed to cause the least change or disturbance, practicable under the circumstances, to the environment. Any decision to fund, approve or directly undertake other activities after the emergency has expired is fully subject to the review procedures of this Part;

(43) actions undertaken, funded or approved prior to the effective dates set forth in SEQR (see chapters 228 of the Laws of 1976, 253 of the Laws of 1977 and 460 of the Laws of 1978), except in the case of an action where it is still practicable either to modify the action in such a way as to mitigate potentially adverse environmental impacts, or to choose a feasible or less environmentally damaging alternative, the commissioner may, at the request of any person, or on his own motion, require the preparation of an environmental impact statement; or, in the case of an action where the responsible agency proposed a modification of the action and the modification may result in a significant adverse impact on the environmental impact statement must be prepared with respect to such modification;

(44) actions requiring a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need under articles VII, VIII, X or 10 of the Public Service Law and the consideration of, granting or denial of any such certificate;

(45) actions subject to the class A or class B regional project jurisdiction of the Adirondack Park Agency or a local government pursuant to sections 807, 808 and 809 of the Executive Law, except class B regional projects subject to review by local government pursuant to section 807 of the Executive Law located within the Lake George Park as defined by subdivision one of section 43-0103 of the Environmental Conservation Law; and

(46) actions of the Legislature and the Governor of the State of New York or of any court, but not actions of local legislative bodies except those local legislative decisions such as rezoning where the local legislative body determines the action will not be entertained.

Credits

Sec. filed March 22, 1976; repealed, new filed: Oct. 20, 1976; Jan. 24, 1978; Sept. 1, 1978; amds. filed: Oct. 6, 1982; June 9, 1983; repealed, new filed: March 6, 1987; Sept. 20, 1995 eff. Jan. 1, 1996; amd. filed June 27, 2018 eff. Jan. 1, 2019.

Current with amendments included in the New York State Register, Volume XLVII, Issue 15, dated April 16, 2025. Some sections may be more current, see credits for details.

N.Y. Comp. Codes R. & Regs. tit. 6, § 617.5, 6 NY ADC 617.5

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information		
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Name of Action or Project:		
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):		
roject Location (describe, and attach a location map):		
Brief Description of Proposed Action:		
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Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone:	
	E-Mail:	
	E-IVIAII.	
Address:		
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:
		1
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, loca	al law, ordinance.	NO YES
administrative rule, or regulation?	, ,	NO TES
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the e	environmental resources th	at
may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to ques	stion 2.	
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other	er government Agency?	NO YES
If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:		
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?	acres	
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?	acres	
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?		
or controlled by the applicant of project sponsor?	acres	
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:		
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[Irban Rural (non agriculture) Industrial Comment		Dani
Urban Rural (non-agriculture) Industrial Commercia	`	oun
Urban Rural (non-agriculture) Industrial Commercial Forest Agriculture Aquatic Other(Spectrum)	`	oun
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5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?			
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?			
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape	e?	NO	YES
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?			VDO
		NO	YES
If Yes, identify:			
		NO	YES
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	-		
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?			
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed			
action?			
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YES
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:			
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
		NO	IES
If No, describe method for providing potable water:			
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?		NO	YES
		NO	IES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or distr	ict	NO	YES
which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the	-		
Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on th State Register of Historic Places?	e		
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for			
archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?			
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	-	NO	YES
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?			
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:			
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14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply:	1	
Shoreline Forest Agricultural/grasslands Early mid-successional		
Wetland Urban Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	NO	YES
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes,	NO	YES
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?		
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe:		
 Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment: 	NO	YES
19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility?If Yes, describe:	NO	YES
20.Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste?	NO	YES
If Yes, describe:		
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BE MY KNOWLEDGE	ST OF	
Applicant/sponsor/name: Date:		
Signature:Title:		

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Date:

Project:

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

		No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?		
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?		
3.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?		
4.	Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?		
5.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?		
6.	Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?		
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?		
	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?		
8.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?		
9.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?		
10.	Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?		
11.	Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?		

Agency	y Use Only [If ap]	plicable]
Project:	_	
Date:		

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Name of Lead Agency

Date

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Title of Responsible Officer

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project and Setting

Instructions for Completing Part 1

Part 1 is to be completed by the applicant or project sponsor. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification.

Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information; indicate whether missing information does not exist, or is not reasonably available to the sponsor; and, when possible, generally describe work or studies which would be necessary to update or fully develop that information.

Applicants/sponsors must complete all items in Sections A & B. In Sections C, D & E, most items contain an initial question that must be answered either "Yes" or "No". If the answer to the initial question is "Yes", complete the sub-questions that follow. If the answer to the initial question is "No", proceed to the next question. Section F allows the project sponsor to identify and attach any additional information. Section G requires the name and signature of the applicant or project sponsor to verify that the information contained in Part 1 is accurate and complete.

A. Project and Applicant/Sponsor Information.

Name of Action or Project:		
Project Location (describe, and attach a general location map):		
Brief Description of Proposed Action (include purpose or need):		
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Name of Applicant/Sponsor:	Telephone:	
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Address:	-	
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City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:
Project Contact (if not same as sponsor; give name and title/role):	Telephone:	
	E-Mail:	
Address:		
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:
Property Owner (if not same as sponsor):	Telephone:	
	E-Mail:	
Address:		
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City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:

B. Government Approvals

B. Government Approvals, Funding, or Spon assistance.)	sorship. ("Funding" includes grants, loans, tax	x relief, and any othe	r forms of financial
Government Entity	If Yes: Identify Agency and Approval(s) Required	Applicati (Actual or _l	
a. City Council, Town Board, □Yes□No or Village Board of Trustees			
b. City, Town or Village ☐Yes☐No Planning Board or Commission			
c. City, Town or ☐Yes☐No Village Zoning Board of Appeals			
d. Other local agencies □Yes□No			÷
e. County agencies □Yes□No			
f. Regional agencies Yes No			
g. State agencies Yes No			
h. Federal agencies Yes No			
	the waterfront area of a Designated Inland Wa	terway?	□Yes□No
<i>ii.</i> Is the project site located in a community <i>iii.</i> Is the project site within a Coastal Erosion		on Program?	□ Yes□No □ Yes□No
C. Planning and Zoning		50 ×	
C.1. Planning and zoning actions.		4. 	
 Will administrative or legislative adoption, or an only approval(s) which must be granted to enable If Yes, complete sections C, F and G. If No, proceed to question C.2 and com 	nendment of a plan, local law, ordinance, rule o e the proposed action to proceed? plete all remaining sections and questions in Pa		□Yes□No
C.2. Adopted land use plans.			
a. Do any municipally- adopted (city, town, villa where the proposed action would be located?	ge or county) comprehensive land use plan(s) i	include the site	□Yes□No
If Yes, does the comprehensive plan include spec would be located?	rific recommendations for the site where the pro-	oposed action	□Yes□No
b. Is the site of the proposed action within any lo Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA); designa or other?)If Yes, identify the plan(s):	cal or regional special planning district (for exa ted State or Federal heritage area; watershed m		□Yes□No
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
c. Is the proposed action located wholly or partia or an adopted municipal farmland protection If Yes, identify the plan(s):	Illy within an area listed in an adopted municip. plan?	al open space plan,	□Yes□No

C.3. Zoning

a. Is the site of the proposed action located in a municipality with an adopted zoning law or ordinance. If Yes, what is the zoning classification(s) including any applicable overlay district?

□ Yes □ No

b. Is the use permitted or allowed by a special or conditional use permit?

□Yes□No □Yes□No

c. Is a zoning change requested as part of the proposed action? If Yes,

i. What is the proposed new zoning for the site?

C.4. Existing community services.

a. In what school district is the project site located?

b. What police or other public protection forces serve the project site?

c. Which fire protection and emergency medical services serve the project site?

d. What parks serve the project site?

D. Project Details

D.1. Proposed and Potential Development

a. What is the	general nature of the pro	posed action (e.g.,	residential, indu	ustrial, commercial,	recreational; if mixed, include a	.11
component	?					

b. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?	acres
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?	acres
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned	
or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?	acres
c. Is the proposed action an expansion of an existing project or use?	□ Yes□ No
<i>i</i> . If Yes, what is the approximate percentage of the proposed expansion and	
square feet)? % Units:	
d. Is the proposed action a subdivision, or does it include a subdivision?	□Yes □No
If Yes,	
<i>i</i> . Purpose or type of subdivision? (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial:	; if mixed, specify types)
<i>ii.</i> Is a cluster/conservation layout proposed?	□Yes □No
iii. Number of lots proposed?	
<i>iv.</i> Minimum and maximum proposed lot sizes? Minimum N	Maximum
e. Will the proposed action be constructed in multiple phases?	☐ Yes ☐ No
<i>i</i> . If No, anticipated period of construction:	months
<i>ii.</i> If Yes:	
• Total number of phases anticipated	
• Anticipated commencement date of phase 1 (including demolition)) month year
 Anticipated completion date of final phase 	month vear
 Generally describe connections or relationships among phases, incl 	
determine timing or duration of future phases:	nutring any contingencies where progress of one phase may
determine timing of duration of future phases.	

	t include new reside				□Yes□No
If Yes, show num	bers of units propos				
	One Family	<u>Two</u> <u>Family</u>	Three Family	Multiple Family (four or more)	
Initial Phase					
At completion					
of all phases					
	sed action include r	new non-residentia	l construction (inclu	uding expansions)?	□Yes□No
If Yes,					
<i>i</i> . Total number	of structures			···· · · ·	
<i>u</i> . Dimensions (in feet) of largest pr	oposed structure:	height;	width; andlength	
				square feet	
h. Does the prope	sed action include c	onstruction or othe	er activities that wil	l result in the impoundment of any	☐ Yes ☐ No
	creation of a water	supply, reservoir,	pond, lake, waste la	agoon or other storage?	
If Yes,	(m) 100 m				
<i>i</i> . Purpose of the	impoundment:				
<i>ii</i> . If a water imp	bundment, the princ	ipal source of the	water:	Ground water Surface water stream	ms Other specify:
<i>ui</i> . If other than w	rater, identify the typ	pe of impounded/c	ontained liquids and	d their source.	
iv Approximate	size of the proposed	impoundment	Volume:	million gallons; surface area:	0.0100
v Dimensions o	f the proposed dam	or impounding stri	volume.	height; length	acres
vi. Construction	method/materials for	or the proposed day	n or impounding st	ructure (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, cond	crete).
		i nie proposed dai	in or impounding su		nete).
D.2. Project Op	erations				
		ny exception mit	ning or dredging d	uring construction, operations, or both?	
(Not including	sed action include a	ion grading or ins	tallation of utilities	or foundations where all excavated	Yes No
materials will re	emain onsite)	ion, grading or ms	danation of utilities	or roundations where an excavated	
If Yes:	(internet of office)				
	rpose of the excavat	ion or dredging?			
ii. How much mat	erial (including roc	c. earth. sediments	. etc.) is proposed to	o be removed from the site?	
• Volume	specify tons or cub	ic vards):	,, FF		
 Over wh 	at duration of time?				
iii. Describe natur	e and characteristics	s of materials to be	e excavated or dreds	ged, and plans to use, manage or dispose	e of them.
	onsite dewatering o	r processing of exc	cavated materials?		Yes No
If yes, describ	e				
	al area to be dredge			acres	
vi. What is the ma	aximum area to be v	vorked at any one	time?	acres	
			r dredging?	feet	
viii. Will the exca	vation require blasti	ng?			Yes No
ix. Summarize site	e reclamation goals	and plan:			
			,		
b. Would the prop	osed action cause of	r result in alteratio	n of, increase or dec	crease in size of, or encroachment	Yes No
	ig wetland, waterbo	dy, shoreline, beac	h or adjacent area?		
If Yes:			- <i>a</i>		
<i>i</i> . Identify the w	etland or waterbody	which would be a	ffected (by name, w	vater index number, wetland map numb	er or geographic
description):					

<i>ii.</i> Describe how the proposed action would affect that waterbody or wetland, e.g. excavation, fill, pla alteration of channels, banks and shorelines. Indicate extent of activities, alterations and additions i	icement of structures, or in square feet or acres:
<i>iii.</i> Will the proposed action cause or result in disturbance to bottom sediments? If Yes, describe:	☐Yes ☐No
<i>iv.</i> Will the proposed action cause or result in the destruction or removal of aquatic vegetation? If Yes:	☐ Yes ☐ No
acres of aquatic vegetation proposed to be removed:	
expected acreage of aquatic vegetation remaining after project completion:	
• purpose of proposed removal (e.g. beach clearing, invasive species control, boat access):	
proposed method of plant removal:	
• if chemical/herbicide treatment will be used, specify product(s):	
v. Describe any proposed reclamation/mitigation following disturbance:	
c. Will the proposed action use, or create a new demand for water?	□Yes □No
<i>i</i> . Total anticipated water usage/demand per day: gallons/day	
<i>ii.</i> Will the proposed action obtain water from an existing public water supply?	☐ Yes ☐No
If Yes:	
Name of district or service area:	
• Does the existing public water supply have capacity to serve the proposal?	Yes No
• Is the project site in the existing district?	☐ Yes ☐ No
• Is expansion of the district needed?	☐ Yes ☐ No
• Do existing lines serve the project site?	☐ Yes ☐ No
<i>iii.</i> Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to supply the project? f Yes:	□Yes □No
Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
Commentation from the formula for the distribution	
• Source(s) of supply for the district:	
lf, Yes:	☐ Yes⊡No
 Applicant/sponsor for new district:	
 Proposed source(s) of supply for new district:	
V. If a public water suppry with not be used, describe plans to provide water suppry for the project.	
vi. If water supply will be from wells (public or private), what is the maximum pumping capacity:	gallons/minute.
d. Will the proposed action generate liquid wastes?	☐ Yes ☐No
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Total anticipated liquid waste generation per day: gallons/day <i>ii.</i> Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describe	·
<i>ii.</i> Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describ approximate volumes or proportions of each):	be all components and
<i>iii.</i> Will the proposed action use any existing public wastewater treatment facilities?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:	
Name of wastewater treatment plant to be used:	
• Name of district:	
• Does the existing wastewater treatment plant have capacity to serve the project?	☐ Yes ☐No
• Is the project site in the existing district?	Yes No
• Is expansion of the district needed?	☐ Yes ☐No

 Do existing sewer lines serve the project site? Will a line extension within an existing district be necessary to serve the project? If Yes: 	□Yes□No □Yes□No
Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
<i>iv.</i> Will a new wastewater (sewage) treatment district be formed to serve the project site? If Yes:	□Yes □No
Applicant/sponsor for new district:	
Date application submitted or anticipated:	
 What is the receiving water for the wastewater discharge? v. If public facilities will not be used, describe plans to provide wastewater treatment for the project, including receiving water (name and classification if surface discharge or describe subsurface disposal plans): 	g specifying proposed
<i>vi</i> . Describe any plans or designs to capture, recycle or reuse liquid waste:	
e. Will the proposed action disturb more than one acre and create stormwater runoff, either from new point sources (i.e. ditches, pipes, swales, curbs, gutters or other concentrated flows of stormwater) or non-point source (i.e. sheet flow) during construction or post construction?	∐Yes∏No
If Yes: <i>i</i> . How much impervious surface will the project create in relation to total size of project parcel?	
Square feet or acres (impervious surface)	
Square feet or acres (impervious surface) Square feet or acres (parcel size)	
<i>ii.</i> Describe types of new point sources.	
<i>iii.</i> Where will the stormwater runoff be directed (i.e. on-site stormwater management facility/structures, adjac groundwater, on-site surface water or off-site surface waters)?	cent properties,
If to surface waters, identify receiving water bodies or wetlands:	
• Will stormwater runoff flow to adjacent properties?	☐ Yes ☐ No
iv. Does the proposed plan minimize impervious surfaces, use pervious materials or collect and re-use stormwa	
 f. Does the proposed action include, or will it use on-site, one or more sources of air emissions, including fuel combustion, waste incineration, or other processes or operations? If Yes, identify: 	□Yes □No
i. Mobile sources during project operations (e.g., heavy equipment, fleet or delivery vehicles)	
<i>ii.</i> Stationary sources during construction (e.g., power generation, structural heating, batch plant, crushers)	
<i>iii.</i> Stationary sources during operations (e.g., process emissions, large boilers, electric generation)	<u></u>
g. Will any air emission sources named in D.2.f (above), require a NY State Air Registration, Air Facility Perm or Federal Clean Air Act Title IV or Title V Permit? If Yes:	nit, □Yes□No
 <i>i.</i> Is the project site located in an Air quality non-attainment area? (Area routinely or periodically fails to meet ambient air quality standards for all or some parts of the year) <i>ii.</i> In addition to emissions as calculated in the application, the project will generate: 	t Yes No
Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Nitrous Oxide (N ₂ O)	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)	
• Tons/year (short tons) of Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF ₆)	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide equivalent of Hydroflourocarbons (HFCs)	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)	

 h. Will the proposed action generate or emit methane (including, but not limited to, sewage treatment plants, landfills, composting facilities)? If Yes: 	∐Yes No
 <i>i.</i> Estimate methane generation in tons/year (metric):	enerate heat or
i. Will the proposed action result in the release of air pollutants from open-air operations or processes, such as quarry or landfill operations?	Yes No
If Yes: Describe operations and nature of emissions (e.g., diesel exhaust, rock particulates/dust):	
 j. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels or generate substantial new demand for transportation facilities or services? If Yes: 	Yes No
<i>i.</i> When is the peak traffic expected (Check all that apply): Randomly between hours of to <i>ii.</i> For commercial activities only, projected number of truck trips/day and type (e.g., semi trailers and dump trucks	
<i>iii.</i> Parking spaces: Existing Proposed Net increase/decrease	
 <i>iii.</i> Parking spaces: Existing Proposed Net increase/decrease <i>iv.</i> Does the proposed action include any shared use parking? <i>v.</i> If the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads, creation of new roads or change in existing and the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads. 	Yes No access, describe:
 <i>vi.</i> Are public/private transportation service(s) or facilities available within ½ mile of the proposed site? <i>vii</i> Will the proposed action include access to public transportation or accommodations for use of hybrid, electric or other alternative fueled vehicles? <i>viii.</i> Will the proposed action include plans for pedestrian or bicycle accommodations for connections to existing pedestrian or bicycle routes? 	☐Yes☐No ☐Yes☐No ☐Yes☐No
 k. Will the proposed action (for commercial or industrial projects only) generate new or additional demand for energy? If Yes: 	Yes No
<i>i</i> . Estimate annual electricity demand during operation of the proposed action:	
<i>ii.</i> Anticipated sources/suppliers of electricity for the project (e.g., on-site combustion, on-site renewable, via grid/lo other):	ocal utility, or
<i>iii.</i> Will the proposed action require a new, or an upgrade, to an existing substation?	Yes No
l. Hours of operation. Answer all items which apply.	
<i>i.</i> During Construction: <i>ii.</i> During Operations:	
Monday - Friday: Monday - Friday:	
Saturday: Saturday:	
Sunday: Sunday:	
Holidays: Holidays:	

 m. Will the proposed action produce noise that will exceed existing ambient noise levels during construction, operation, or both? If yes: <i>i.</i> Provide details including sources, time of day and duration: 	☐Yes ☐No
<i>ii</i> . Will the proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a noise barrier or screen? [Describe:]Yes]No
 n. Will the proposed action have outdoor lighting? If yes: i. Describe source(s), location(s), height of fixture(s), direction/aim, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:]Yes]No
<i>ii.</i> Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a light barrier or screen?]Yes]No
If Yes, describe possible sources, potential frequency and duration of odor emissions, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:]Yes]No
or chemical products 185 gallons in above ground storage or any amount in underground storage? If Yes: <i>i</i> . Product(s) to be stored]Yes]No
<i>ii.</i> Volume(s) per unit time (e.g., month, year) <i>iii.</i> Generally, describe the proposed storage facilities:	
 q. Will the proposed action (commercial, industrial and recreational projects only) use pesticides (i.e., herbicides, insecticides) during construction or operation? If Yes: i. Describe proposed treatment(s): 	☐ Yes ☐No
	Yes No
 r. Will the proposed action (commercial or industrial projects only) involve or require the management or disposal of solid waste (excluding hazardous materials)? If Yes: Describe any solid waste(s) to be generated during construction or operation of the facility: Construction: tons per (unit of time) Operation : tons per (unit of time) ii. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waste: Construction:	
Operation:	
 iii. Proposed disposal methods/facilities for solid waste generated on-site: Construction:	
Operation:	

s. Does the proposed action include construction or mod If Yes:	ification of a solid waste ma	anagement facility?	Yes No
<i>i</i> . Type of management or handling of waste proposed other disposal activities):	for the site (e.g., recycling	or transfer station, compostin	g, landfill, or
<i>ii.</i> Anticipated rate of disposal/processing:			
• Tons/month, if transfer or other non-	combustion/thermal treatme	ent, or	
• Tons/hour, if combustion or thermal	treatment		
<i>iii.</i> If landfill, anticipated site life:	years		
t. Will the proposed action at the site involve the comme waste?	rcial generation, treatment,	storage, or disposal of hazard	ous 🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If Yes:			
<i>i</i> . Name(s) of all hazardous wastes or constituents to be	e generated, handled or man	naged at facility:	
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<i>ii.</i> Generally describe processes or activities involving l	hazardous wastes or constitu	uents:	
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<i>iii</i> . Specify amount to be handled or generatedt	ons/month	к. 1	
iv. Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, rec	yeling or reuse of hazardou	is constituents:	
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v. Will any hazardous wastes be disposed at an existing	g offsite hazardous waste fa	cility?	Yes No
If Yes: provide name and location of facility:			
If No: describe proposed management of any hazardous			
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E. Site and Setting of Proposed Action			
E.1. Land uses on and surrounding the project site			
a. Existing land uses.			
<i>i</i> . Check all uses that occur on, adjoining and near the Urban Industrial Commercial Resid	project site.	ral (non form)	
\Box Forest \Box Agriculture \Box Aquatic \Box Other	(specify):	rai (non-tarini)	
<i>ii.</i> If mix of uses, generally describe:	(·F·····)).		
b. Land uses and covertypes on the project site.		с. 	
Land use or	Current	Acreage After	Change
Covertype	Acreage	Project Completion	(Acres +/-)
• Roads, buildings, and other paved or impervious			
• Forested			
• Meadows, grasslands or brushlands (non- agricultural, including abandoned agricultural)	,		
Agricultural			
(includes active orchards, field, greenhouse etc.)			
Surface water features			
(lalva, nanda atuanus, visuana atu)			
(lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, etc.)			
• Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)			
• Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)			
Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)Non-vegetated (bare rock, earth or fill)			

 c. Is the project site presently used by members of the community for public recreation? <i>i</i>. If Yes: explain:	☐ Yes ☐ No
 d. Are there any facilities serving children, the elderly, people with disabilities (e.g., schools, hospitals, licensed day care centers, or group homes) within 1500 feet of the project site? If Yes, 	Yes No
<i>i</i> . Identify Facilities:	
e. Does the project site contain an existing dam? If Yes:	☐ Yes ☐ No
<i>i</i> . Dimensions of the dam and impoundment:	
Dam height:feet	
Dam length: feet	
• Surface area:acres	
Volume impounded: gallons OR acre-feet ii. Dam's existing hazard classification:	
<i>ii.</i> Dam's existing hazard classification:	
<i>iii.</i> Provide date and summarize results of last inspection:	
f. Has the project site ever been used as a municipal, commercial or industrial solid waste management facility, or does the project site adjoin property which is now, or was at one time, used as a solid waste management facil If Yes:	∐Yes∏No lity?
<i>i</i> . Has the facility been formally closed?	□Yes□ No
• If yes, cite sources/documentation:	
<i>ii.</i> Describe the location of the project site relative to the boundaries of the solid waste management facility:	
<i>iii</i> . Describe any development constraints due to the prior solid waste activities:	
g. Have hazardous wastes been generated, treated and/or disposed of at the site, or does the project site adjoin property which is now or was at one time used to commercially treat, store and/or dispose of hazardous waste? If Yes:	☐ Yes ☐ No
<i>i</i> . Describe waste(s) handled and waste management activities, including approximate time when activities occurre	ed:
 h. Potential contamination history. Has there been a reported spill at the proposed project site, or have any remedial actions been conducted at or adjacent to the proposed site? If Yes: 	Yes No
<i>i</i> . Is any portion of the site listed on the NYSDEC Spills Incidents database or Environmental Site Remediation database? Check all that apply:	☐ Yes ☐ No
Yes – Spills Incidents database Provide DEC ID number(s):	
 Yes – Environmental Site Remediation database Provide DEC ID number(s): 	
<i>ii</i> . If site has been subject of RCRA corrective activities, describe control measures:	
<i>iii.</i> Is the project within 2000 feet of any site in the NYSDEC Environmental Site Remediation database? If yes, provide DEC ID number(s):	□Yes□No
<i>iv.</i> If yes to (i), (ii) or (iii) above, describe current status of site(s):	

v. Is the project site subject to an institutional control limiting property uses?	☐ Yes ☐ No
 If yes, DEC site ID number:	
Describe any use limitations: Describe any engineering controls:	
 Describe any engineering controls:	
 Explain:	☐ Yes ☐ No
E.2. Natural Resources On or Near Project Site	7
a. What is the average depth to bedrock on the project site? feet	
b. Are there bedrock outcroppings on the project site? If Yes, what proportion of the site is comprised of bedrock outcroppings?%	☐ Yes ☐ No
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c. Predominant soil type(s) present on project site:	
d. What is the average depth to the water table on the project site? Average: feet	
e. Drainage status of project site soils: Well Drained: % of site	
☐ Moderately Well Drained:% of site ☐ Poorly Drained% of site	
f. Approximate proportion of proposed action site with slopes: 0-10%: % of site	
$\square 10-15\%: \qquad \qquad \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ $	
15% or greater:% of site	
g. Are there any unique geologic features on the project site? If Yes, describe:	☐ Yes ☐ No
h. Surface water features.	
i. Does any portion of the project site contain wetlands or other waterbodies (including streams, rivers,	Yes No
ponds or lakes)? <i>ii.</i> Do any wetlands or other waterbodies adjoin the project site?	□Yes□No
If Yes to either i or ii , continue. If No, skip to E.2.i.	
<i>iii.</i> Are any of the wetlands or waterbodies within or adjoining the project site regulated by any federal, state or local agency?	☐ Yes ☐No
<i>iv.</i> For each identified regulated wetland and waterbody on the project site, provide the following information:	
• Streams: Name Classification	
Lakes or Ponds: Name Classification	
• wettands: Name Approximate Size	
 Wetland No. (if regulated by DEC) v. Are any of the above water bodies listed in the most recent compilation of NYS water quality-impaired waterbodies? 	☐ Yes ☐No
If yes, name of impaired water body/bodies and basis for listing as impaired:	
i. Is the project site in a designated Floodway?	□Yes □No
j. Is the project site in the 100-year Floodplain?	□Yes □No
k. Is the project site in the 500-year Floodplain?	. Yes No
 Is the project site located over, or immediately adjoining, a primary, principal or sole source aquifer? If Yes: 	□Yes □No
<i>i</i> . Name of aquifer:	

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m. Identify the predominant wildlife species that occupy or use the project site:	· · · · · ·
n. Does the project site contain a designated significant natural community?	Yes No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Describe the habitat/community (composition, function, and basis for designation):	
<i>ii.</i> Source(s) of description or evaluation:	
<i>iii.</i> Extent of community/habitat:	
Currently: acres	
Following completion of project as proposed: acres	
• Gain or loss (indicate + or -):	
o. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by the federal government or NYS as	Yes No
endangered or threatened, or does it contain any areas identified as habitat for an endangered or threatened spec	nes?
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Species and listing (endangered or threatened):	
p. Does the project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by NYS as rare, or as a species of	☐ Yes ☐ No
special concern?	
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Species and listing:	
q. Is the project site or adjoining area currently used for hunting, trapping, fishing or shell fishing?	□Yes □No
If yes, give a brief description of how the proposed action may affect that use:	
E.3. Designated Public Resources On or Near Project Site	
a. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in a designated agricultural district certified pursuant to	☐Yes ☐No
Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304?	
If Yes, provide county plus district name/number:	
b. Are agricultural lands consisting of highly productive soils present?	☐Yes ☐No
<i>i</i> . If Yes: acreage(s) on project site?	
<i>ii.</i> Source(s) of soil rating(s):	×
c. Does the project site contain all or part of, or is it substantially contiguous to, a registered National	Yes No
Natural Landmark?	
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Nature of the natural landmark: Biological Community Geological Feature	
<i>ii.</i> Provide brief description of landmark, including values behind designation and approximate size/extent:	
d. Is the project site located in or does it adjoin a state listed Critical Environmental Area?	Yes No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . CEA name:	
<i>ii.</i> Basis for designation:	
iii. Designating agency and date:	

 e. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissi Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places. <i>i</i>. Nature of historic/archaeological resource: Archaeological Site Historic Building or District 	
<i>ii.</i> Name:	
f. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	Yes No
g. Have additional archaeological or historic site(s) or resources been identified on the project site? If Yes:	☐Yes ☐No
<i>i</i> . Describe possible resource(s):	
<i>ii.</i> Basis for identification:	
h. Is the project site within fives miles of any officially designated and publicly accessible federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource?	☐Yes ☐No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Identify resource:	· .
 <i>ii.</i> Nature of, or basis for, designation (e.g., established highway overlook, state or local park, state historic trail or etc.): <i>iii.</i> Distance between project and resource: miles. 	scenic byway,
<i>iii</i> . Distance between project and resource: miles.	
i. Is the project site located within a designated river corridor under the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Program 6 NYCRR 666?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Identify the name of the river and its designation:	-
ii. Is the activity consistent with development restrictions contained in 6NYCRR Part 666?	Yes No,
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F. Additional Information

Attach any additional information which may be needed to clarify your project.

If you have identified any adverse impacts which could be associated with your proposal, please describe those impacts plus any measures which you propose to avoid or minimize them.

G. Verification

I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name _____ Date_____

Signature_____ Title_____

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Identification of Potential Project Impacts

Project : Date :

Part 2 is to be completed by the lead agency. Part 2 is designed to help the lead agency inventory all potential resources that could be affected by a proposed project or action. We recognize that the lead agency's reviewer(s) will not necessarily be environmental professionals. So, the questions are designed to walk a reviewer through the assessment process by providing a series of questions that can be answered using the information found in Part 1. To further assist the lead agency in completing Part 2, the form identifies the most relevant questions in Part 1 that will provide the information needed to answer the Part 2 question. When Part 2 is completed, the lead agency will have identified the relevant environmental areas that may be impacted by the proposed activity.

Tips for completing Part 2:

with this assessment.

- Review all of the information provided in Part 1.
- Review any application, maps, supporting materials and the Full EAF Workbook.
- Answer each of the 18 questions in Part 2.
- If you answer "Yes" to a numbered question, please complete all the questions that follow in that section.
- If you answer "No" to a numbered question, move on to the next numbered question.
- Check appropriate column to indicate the anticipated size of the impact.
- Proposed projects that would exceed a numeric threshold contained in a question should result in the reviewing agency checking the box "Moderate to large impact may occur."
- The reviewer is not expected to be an expert in environmental analysis.
- If you are not sure or undecided about the size of an impact, it may help to review the sub-questions for the general question and consult the workbook.
- When answering a question consider all components of the proposed activity, that is, the "whole action".
- Consider the possibility for long-term and cumulative impacts as well as direct impacts.
- Answer the question in a reasonable manner considering the scale and context of the project.

1.	Impact on Land			
	Proposed action may involve construction on, or physical alteration of,	NO		YES
	the land surface of the proposed site. (See Part 1. D.1)			
	If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 2.			
		Relevant	No, or	Moderate

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may involve construction on land where depth to water table is less than 3 feet.	E2d		
b. The proposed action may involve construction on slopes of 15% or greater.	E2f		
c. The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.	E2a		
d. The proposed action may involve the excavation and removal of more than 1,000 tons of natural material.	D2a		
e. The proposed action may involve construction that continues for more than one year or in multiple phases.	Dle		
f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).	D2e, D2q		
g. The proposed action is, or may be, located within a Coastal Erosion hazard area.	B1i		
h. Other impacts:			

 Impact on Geological Features The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or inhib access to, any unique or unusual land forms on the site (e.g., cliffs, dunes, minerals, fossils, caves). (See Part 1. E.2.g) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", move on to Section 3. 	bit 🗌 NC)	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Identify the specific land form(s) attached:	E2g		
 b. The proposed action may affect or is adjacent to a geological feature listed as a registered National Natural Landmark. Specific feature:	E3c		
c. Other impacts:			
3. Impacts on Surface Water The proposed action may affect one or more wetlands or other surface water bodies (e.g., streams, rivers, ponds or lakes). (See Part 1. D.2, E.2.h) If "Yes", answer questions a - l. If "No", move on to Section 4.)	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may create a new water body.	D2b, D1h		
b. The proposed action may result in an increase or decrease of over 10% or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water.	D2b		
c. The proposed action may involve dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from a wetland or water body.	D2a		
d. The proposed action may involve construction within or adjoining a freshwater or tidal wetland, or in the bed or banks of any other water body.	E2h		
e. The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff or by disturbing bottom sediments.	D2a, D2h		
f. The proposed action may include construction of one or more intake(s) for withdrawal of water from surface water.	D2c		
g. The proposed action may include construction of one or more outfall(s) for discharge of wastewater to surface water(s).	D2d		
 h. The proposed action may cause soil erosion, or otherwise create a source of stormwater discharge that may lead to siltation or other degradation of receiving water bodies. 	D2e		
i. The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action.	E2h		
j. The proposed action may involve the application of pesticides or herbicides in or around any water body.	D2q, E2h		
k. The proposed action may require the construction of new, or expansion of existing, wastewater treatment facilities.	D1a, D2d		

1. Other impacts:			
 4. Impact on groundwater The proposed action may result in new or additional use of ground water, or may have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aquif (See Part 1. D.2.a, D.2.c, D.2.d, D.2.p, D.2.q, D.2.t) If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 5.	er.		YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may require new water supply wells, or create additional demand on supplies from existing water supply wells.	D2c		
 b. Water supply demand from the proposed action may exceed safe and sustainable withdrawal capacity rate of the local supply or aquifer. Cite Source:	D2c		
c. The proposed action may allow or result in residential uses in areas without water and sewer services.	D1a, D2c		
d. The proposed action may include or require wastewater discharged to groundwater.	D2d, E21		
e. The proposed action may result in the construction of water supply wells in locations where groundwater is, or is suspected to be, contaminated.	D2c, E1f, E1g, E1h		
f. The proposed action may require the bulk storage of petroleum or chemical products over ground water or an aquifer.	D2p, E21		
g. The proposed action may involve the commercial application of pesticides within 100 feet of potable drinking water or irrigation sources.	E2h, D2q, E2l, D2c		
h. Other impacts:			
 5. Impact on Flooding The proposed action may result in development on lands subject to flooding. (See Part 1. E.2) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", move on to Section 6. 	□ NO		YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in development in a designated floodway.	E2i		
b. The proposed action may result in development within a 100 year floodplain.	E2j		
c. The proposed action may result in development within a 500 year floodplain.	E2k		
d. The proposed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage patterns.	D2b, D2e		

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e. The proposed action may change flood water flows that contribute to flooding.

or upgrade?

f. If there is a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair,

D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k

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g. Other impacts:			
 6. Impacts on Air The proposed action may include a state regulated air emission source. (See Part 1. D.2.f., D.2.h, D.2.g) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", move on to Section 7. 			YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
 a. If the proposed action requires federal or state air emission permits, the action may also emit one or more greenhouse gases at or above the following levels: More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide (CO₂) More than 3.5 tons/year of nitrous oxide (N₂O) More than 1000 tons/year of carbon equivalent of perfluorocarbons (PFCs) More than .045 tons/year of sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide equivalent of hydrochloroflourocarbons (HFCs) emissions 43 tons/year or more of methane 	D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2h		
b. The proposed action may generate 10 tons/year or more of any one designated hazardous air pollutant, or 25 tons/year or more of any combination of such hazardous air pollutants.	D2g		
c. The proposed action may require a state air registration, or may produce an emissions rate of total contaminants that may exceed 5 lbs. per hour, or may include a heat source capable of producing more than 10 million BTU's per hour.	D2f, D2g		
d. The proposed action may reach 50% of any of the thresholds in "a" through "c", above.	D2g		
e. The proposed action may result in the combustion or thermal treatment of more than 1 ton of refuse per hour.	D2s		
f. Other impacts:			
 7. Impact on Plants and Animals The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. (See Part 1. E.2. 1 If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 8. 	mq.)	NO	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may cause reduction in population or loss of individuals of any threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2o		
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any rare, threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the federal government.	E2o		
c. The proposed action may cause reduction in population, or loss of individuals, of any species of special concern or conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2p		
d. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any species of special concern and conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government.	Ė2p		

e. The proposed action may diminish the capacity of a registered National Natural Landmark to support the biological community it was established to protect.	E3c		
 f. The proposed action may result in the removal of, or ground disturbance in, any portion of a designated significant natural community. Source:	E2n		
g. The proposed action may substantially interfere with nesting/breeding, foraging, or over-wintering habitat for the predominant species that occupy or use the project site.	E2m		
h. The proposed action requires the conversion of more than 10 acres of forest, grassland or any other regionally or locally important habitat. Habitat type & information source:	E1b		
i. Proposed action (commercial, industrial or recreational projects, only) involves use of herbicides or pesticides.	D2q		
j. Other impacts:		· 🔲	

8. Impact on Agricultural Resources The proposed action may impact agricultural resources. (See Part 1. E.3.a. a If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 9.	and b.)	NO	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may impact soil classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System.	E2c, E3b		
b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc).	E1a, Elb		
c. The proposed action may result in the excavation or compaction of the soil profile of active agricultural land.	E3b		
d. The proposed action may irreversibly convert agricultural land to non-agricultural uses, either more than 2.5 acres if located in an Agricultural District, or more than 10 acres if not within an Agricultural District.	E1b, E3a		
e. The proposed action may disrupt or prevent installation of an agricultural land management system.	El a, E1b		
f. The proposed action may result, directly or indirectly, in increased development potential or pressure on farmland.	C2c, C3, D2c, D2d		
g. The proposed project is not consistent with the adopted municipal Farmland Protection Plan.	C2c		
h. Other impacts:			

 9. Impact on Aesthetic Resources The land use of the proposed action are obviously different from, or are in sharp contrast to, current land use patterns between the proposed project and a scenic or aesthetic resource. (Part 1. E.1.a, E.1.b, E.3.h.) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", go to Section 10. 		0	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource.	E3h		
b. The proposed action may result in the obstruction, elimination or significant screening of one or more officially designated scenic views.	E3h, C2b		
 c. The proposed action may be visible from publicly accessible vantage points: i. Seasonally (e.g., screened by summer foliage, but visible during other seasons) ii. Year round 	E3h		
d. The situation or activity in which viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed action is:i. Routine travel by residents, including travel to and from work ii. Recreational or tourism based activities	E3h E2q, E1c		
e. The proposed action may cause a diminishment of the public enjoyment and appreciation of the designated aesthetic resource.	E3h		
 f. There are similar projects visible within the following distance of the proposed project: 0-1/2 mile ½ -3 mile 3-5 mile 5+ mile 	Dla, Ela, Dlf, Dlg		
g. Other impacts:			
 10. Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources The proposed action may occur in or adjacent to a historic or archaeological resource. (Part 1. E.3.e, f. and g.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 11.			YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, any buildings, archaeological site or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historical Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places.	E3e		
b. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory.	E3f		
c. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an archaeological site not included on the NY SHPO inventory. Source:	E3g		

d. Other impacts:			
If any of the above (a-d) are answered "Moderate to large impact may e. occur", continue with the following questions to help support conclusions in Part 3:		×	
i. The proposed action may result in the destruction or alteration of all or part of the site or property.	E3e, E3g, E3f		
ii. The proposed action may result in the alteration of the property's setting or integrity.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E1a, E1b		
iii. The proposed action may result in the introduction of visual elements which are out of character with the site or property, or may alter its setting.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E3h, C2, C3		
 11. Impact on Open Space and Recreation The proposed action may result in a loss of recreational opportunities or a reduction of an open space resource as designated in any adopted municipal open space plan. (See Part 1. C.2.c, E.1.c., E.2.q.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 12.	N	0]YES
	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in an impairment of natural functions, or "ecosystem services", provided by an undeveloped area, including but not limited to stormwater storage, nutrient cycling, wildlife habitat.	D2e, E1b E2h, E2m, E2o, E2n, E2p		
b. The proposed action may result in the loss of a current or future recreational resource.	C2a, E1c, C2c, E2q		
c. The proposed action may eliminate open space or recreational resource in an area with few such resources.	C2a, C2c E1c, E2q		
d. The proposed action may result in loss of an area now used informally by the community as an open space resource.	C2c, E1c		
e. Other impacts:			
 12. Impact on Critical Environmental Areas The proposed action may be located within or adjacent to a critical environmental area (CEA). (See Part 1. E.3.d) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", go to Section 13.			YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d		
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c. Other impacts:			

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13. Impact on Transportation The proposed action may result in a change to existing transportation system (See Part 1. D.2.j)	s. N	0	YES
If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 14.			
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Projected traffic increase may exceed capacity of existing road network.	D2j		
b. The proposed action may result in the construction of paved parking area for 500 or more vehicles.	D2j		
c. The proposed action will degrade existing transit access.	D2j		
d. The proposed action will degrade existing pedestrian or bicycle accommodations.	D2j		
e. The proposed action may alter the present pattern of movement of people or goods.	D2j		
f. Other impacts:			
 14. Impact on Energy The proposed action may cause an increase in the use of any form of energy. (See Part 1. D.2.k) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 15. 		o 🗌	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action will require a new, or an upgrade to an existing, substation.	D2k		
b. The proposed action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission			
or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two-family residences or to serve a commercial or industrial use.	D1f, D1q, D2k		
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e. The proposed action may result in lighting creating sky-glow brighter than existing area conditions.	D2n, E1a						
f. Other impacts:							
16. Impact on Human Health The proposed action may have an impact on human health from exposure Imp							
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No,or small impact may cccur	Moderate to large impact may occur				
a. The proposed action is located within 1500 feet of a school, hospital, licensed day care center, group home, nursing home or retirement community.	Eld						
b. The site of the proposed action is currently undergoing remediation.	E1g, E1h						
c. There is a completed emergency spill remediation, or a completed environmental site remediation on, or adjacent to, the site of the proposed action.	Elg, Elh						
d. The site of the action is subject to an institutional control limiting the use of the property (e.g., easement or deed restriction).	E1g, E1h						
e. The proposed action may affect institutional control measures that were put in place to ensure that the site remains protective of the environment and human health.	Elg, Elh						
f. The proposed action has adequate control measures in place to ensure that future generation, treatment and/or disposal of hazardous wastes will be protective of the environment and human health.	D2t						
g. The proposed action involves construction or modification of a solid waste management facility.	D2q, E1f						
h. The proposed action may result in the unearthing of solid or hazardous waste.	D2q, E1f						
i. The proposed action may result in an increase in the rate of disposal, or processing, of solid waste.	D2r, D2s						
j. The proposed action may result in excavation or other disturbance within 2000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.	E1f, E1g E1h						
k. The proposed action may result in the migration of explosive gases from a landfill site to adjacent off site structures.	E1f, E1g						
1. The proposed action may result in the release of contaminated leachate from the project site.	D2s, E1f, D2r						
m. Other impacts:							

17. Consistency with Community Plans			
The proposed action is not consistent with adopted land use plans. (See Part 1. C.1, C.2. and C.3.)	NO YES		
If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", go to Section 18.			
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action's land use components may be different from, or in sharp contrast to, current surrounding land use pattern(s).	C2, C3, D1a E1a, E1b		
b. The proposed action will cause the permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located to grow by more than 5%.	C2		
c. The proposed action is inconsistent with local land use plans or zoning regulations.	C2, C2, C3		
d. The proposed action is inconsistent with any County plans, or other regional land use plans.	C2, C2		
e. The proposed action may cause a change in the density of development that is not supported by existing infrastructure or is distant from existing infrastructure.	e proposed action may cause a change in the density of development that is not C3, D1c,		
f. The proposed action is located in an area characterized by low density development that will require new or expanded public infrastructure.	C4, D2c, D2d D2j		
g. The proposed action may induce secondary development impacts (e.g., residential or commercial development not included in the proposed action)	C2a		
h. Other:			
 18. Consistency with Community Character The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character. (See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3. 		۲۲	/ES
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Determination of Significance

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

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

Reasons Supporting This Determination:

To complete this section:

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

	Determinatio	on of Significance -	· Type 1 and U	Inlisted Actio	ons	
SEQR Status:	Type 1	Unlisted			- - -	
Identify portions of	EAF completed for this I	Project: 🗌 Part 1	Part 2	Part 3		

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, plus this additional support information

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

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

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

There will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the project as conditioned, and, therefore, this conditioned negative declaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be used only for UNLISTED actions (see 6 NYCRR 617.7(d)).

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

Date:

Date:

Name of Action:

Name of Lead Agency:

Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:

Title of Responsible Officer:

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

For Further Information:

Contact Person:

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