TOWN OF RIDGEWAY
410 West Ave
Medina, NY 14103
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
December 14, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tom Fenton (Chairman) telephone Thomas Kline Tim Elliott (Asst, Chairman) Richard Fisher Kathy Blackburn

Others Present

Shaun Logue- MRB Paul Chatfield-MRB

Others present VIA Telecommunication Meeting

Mark Sweeney- Sweeney Law Michael Frateschi-TJA Brian Napoli Thomas Fenton

CALL TO ORDER:

Asst Chairman Elliott opened the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance at 1:00 pm

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Asst Chairman Elliott called for a motion to approve the December 14th, 2020 Agenda. Motion was made by Kathy Blackburn to accept the meeting agenda; second by Richard Fisher. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

There were none.

OLD BUSINESS:

Special Use Permit- Medina Solar Project. Two sites- 11074 and 11202 Ridge Road.

Part 2 SEQRA for both 11074 and 11202 Ridge Road. Shaun Logue from MRB-Group went through the part 2 of the SEQRA for both projects.

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

Agency Use Only [If applicable]
Project: 11074 Ridge Road Solar Farm

Date: December 14, 2020

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 question and consult the workbook.
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- 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	of the project.		
Proposed action may involve construction on, or physical alteration of, 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.	□N	O YES	
	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	Z	
b. The proposed action may involve construction on slopes of 15% or greater.	E2f	Z	
c. The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.	E2a	Ø	
d. The proposed action may involve the excavation and removal of more than 1,000 tons of natural material.	D2a	Ø	
 The proposed action may involve construction that continues for more than one year or in multiple phases. 	D1e	Ø	
f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).	D2e, D2q	Ø	
g. The proposed action is, or may be, located within a Coastal Erosion hazard area.	B1i	Ø	
h. Other impacts:		Ø	

2. Impact on Geological Features The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or in 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.	nhibit .	NO	□YES
	Relevan Part I Question(small	Moderat to large impact ma 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	0	
c. Other impacts:		0	
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.	т 🔲 N	io 🔽	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	Z	
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	Ø	
c. The proposed action may involve dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from a wetland or water body.	D2a	Ø	
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	Z	
e. The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff or by disturbing bottom sediments.	D2a, D2h	Ø	
f. The proposed action may include construction of one or more intake(s) for withdrawal of water from surface water.	D2c	Ø.	
g. The proposed action may include construction of one or more outfall(s) for discharge of wastewater to surface water(s).	D2d	Ø	
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	Ø	
The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action.	E2h	Ø	
i. The proposed action may involve the application of pesticides or herbicides in or around any water body.	D2q, E2h	Ø	
c. The proposed action may require the construction of new, or expansion of existing, wastewater treatment facilities.	D1a, D2d	Ø	

j.

1. Other impacts:		2	
4. Impact on groundwater The proposed action may result in new or additional use of ground water, o may have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aqu (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.	r 🚺	NO [YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occu	Moderate to large impact may
a. The proposed action may require new water supply wells, or create additional demand on supplies from existing water supply wells.	D2c	0	
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		
 The proposed action may allow or result in residential uses in areas without water and sewer services. 	D1a, D2c	0	0
d. The proposed action may include or require wastewater discharged to groundwater.	D2d, E21	0	0
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	0	
f. The proposed action may require the bulk storage of petroleum or chemical products over ground water or an aquifer.	D2p, E2l	٥	0
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:			0
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
. The proposed action may result in development in a designated floodway.	E2i		0
The proposed action may result in development within a 100 year floodplain.	E2j		
The proposed action may result in development within a 500 year floodplain.	E2k	_	0
The proposed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage patterns.	D2b, D2e	0	
The proposed action may change flood water flows that contribute to flooding.	D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k	0	0
If there is a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair, or upgrade?	E1e		0

g. Other impacts:		0	
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.		10 [YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact ma 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: i. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide (CO₂) ii. More than 3.5 tons/year of nitrous oxide (N₂O) iii. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon equivalent of perfluorocarbons (PFCs) iv. More than .045 tons/year of sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) v. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide equivalent of hydrochloroflourocarbons (HFCs) emissions vi. 43 tons/year or more of methane 	D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g	0	
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 hazardou air pollutants.	D2g	0	
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	0	
d. The proposed action may reach 50% of any of the thresholds in "a" through "c", above.	D2g		0
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:		0	0
7. Impact on Plants and Animals The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. (See Part 1. E.2. 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
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	Ø	
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	Ø	
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	Ø	
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	E2p	Ø	

e. The proposed action may diminish the capacity of a registered National Natural Landmark to support the biological community it was established to protect.	ЕЗс		
f. The proposed action may result in the removal of, or ground disturbance in, any portion of a designated significant natural community. Source:	E2n	Z	
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	Z	
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	Z	
i. Proposed action (commercial, industrial or recreational projects, only) involves use of herbicides or pesticides.	f D2q	Ø	
j. Other impacts:		Ø	
8. Impact on Agricultural Resources The proposed agricultural resources	- 11 \		
The proposed action may impact agricultural resources. (See Part 1. E.3.a. If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 9.	and b.)	NO	✓ YES
If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 9.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact	Moderate to large impact may
a. The proposed action may impact soil classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System.	Relevant Part I	No, or small	Moderate to large
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9. Impact on Aesthetic Resources The land use of the proposed action are obviously different from, or are sharp contrast to, current land use patterns between the proposed project 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.	in 🔽	NO	□YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s	No, or small impact may occu	Moderate to large impact ma occur
a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or loca scenic or aesthetic resource.	1 E3h		
b. The proposed action may result in the obstruction, elimination or significant screening of one or more officially designated scenic views.	E3h, C2b	0	0
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	0	
d. The situation or activity in which viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed	E3h		
action is:	E2q,		
 i. Routine travel by residents, including travel to and from work ii. Recreational or tourism based activities 	Elc	0	
e. The proposed action may cause a diminishment of the public enjoyment and appreciation of the designated aesthetic resource.	E3h	0	0
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	D1a, E1a, D1f, D1g		
g. Other impacts:		0	0
10. Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources The proposed action may occur in or adjacent to a historic or archaeologica resource. (Part 1. E.3.e, f. and g.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 11.	1) /	YES
The proposed action may be all the state of	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	Z	
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	Ø	
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	Ø	

d. Other impacts:		Ø	
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.	V	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 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	0	
c. The proposed action may eliminate open space or recreational resource in an area with few such resources.	C2a, C2c E1c, E2q		0
d. The proposed action may result in loss of an area now used informally by the community as an open space resource.	C2c, E1c		0
e. Other impacts:		0	
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.	√ N	0 []YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
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	0	0
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Other impacts:		ם	П

13. Impact on Transportation The proposed action may result in a change to existing transportation syst (See Part 1. D.2.j)	tems.	NO	YES
If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 14.	Relevan Part I Question(small	to large impact ma
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	0	
d. The proposed action will degrade existing pedestrian or bicycle accommodations.	D2j		0
e. The proposed action may alter the present pattern of movement of people or goods.	D2j		
f. Other impacts:		0	0
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.	y. 🚺	NO [YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may
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		
c. The proposed action may utilize more than 2,500 MWhrs per year of electricity.	D2k		
d. The proposed action may involve heating and/or cooling of more than 100,000 square feet of building area when completed.	D1g	0	
e. Other Impacts:			
15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor ligh (See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.	ating. NO) [/	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
n. The proposed action may produce sound above noise levels established by local regulation.	D2m		
The proposed action may result in blasting within 1,500 feet of any residence, hospital, school, licensed day care center, or nursing home.	D2m, E1d	Ø	
. The proposed action may result in routine odors for more than one hour per day.	D20	[7]	

d. The proposed action may result in right shifting onto adjoining properties.	D2n	₩.	
e. The proposed action may result in lighting creating sky-glow brighter than existing area conditions.	D2n, E1a	∠	
f. Other impacts:		Ø	
16. Impact on Human Health The proposed action may have an impact on human health from exposure to new or existing sources of contaminants. (See Part 1.D.2.q., E.1. d. f. g. If "Yes", answer questions a - m. If "No", go to Section 17.	and h.)	10]YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No,or small impact may eccur	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.	E1d		
b. The site of the proposed action is currently undergoing remediation.	Elg, Elh		0
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	_	0
d. The site of the action is subject to an institutional control limiting the use of the property (e.g., easement or deed restriction).	Elg, Elh	0	
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	0	
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	П	0
 The proposed action involves construction or modification of a solid waste management facility. 	D2q, E1f	0	
n. The proposed action may result in the unearthing of solid or hazardous waste.	D2q, E1f	0	
. The proposed action may result in an increase in the rate of disposal, or processing, of solid waste.	D2r, D2s		
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.	Elf, Elg Elh		0
. The proposed action may result in the migration of explosive gases from a landfill site to adjacent off site structures.	E1f, E1g		
The proposed action may result in the release of contaminated leachate from the project site.	D2s, E1f, D2r	0	0
. 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.)	✓ N	✓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 ma 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%.			
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.	e C2, C2	0	0
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.	C3, D1c, D1d, D1f, D1d, Elb	0	0
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		0
h. Other:			0
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.	✓NO) []	YES
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 The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas of historic importance to the community. 	E3e, E3f, E3g		
 The proposed action may create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire) 	C4		
c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where there is a shortage of such housing.	C2, C3, D1f D1g, E1a		
 The proposed action may interfere with the use or enjoyment of officially recognized or designated public resources. 	C2, E3	0	
 The proposed action is inconsistent with the predominant architectural scale and character. 	C2, C3	0	0
Proposed action is inconsistent with the character of the existing natural landscape.	C2, C3 E1a, E1b E2g, E2h	o	а
Other impacts:		0	0

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- 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, 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.	□NO Z YES		
	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	Ø	
b. The proposed action may involve construction on slopes of 15% or greater.	E2f	Z	
c. The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.	E2a	Ø	
d. The proposed action may involve the excavation and removal of more than 1,000 tons of natural material.	D2a	Ø	
e. The proposed action may involve construction that continues for more than one year or in multiple phases.	D1e	Ø	
f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).	D2e, D2q	Ø	
g. The proposed action is, or may be, located within a Coastal Erosion hazard area.	Bli	Ø	
h. Other impacts:		Ø	

2. Impact on Geological Features The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or in 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.	hibit	NO []YES	
	Relevant Part I Question(s	small	Moderat to large impact mage	
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	0		
c. Other impacts:		0	0	
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.	r 🔲 N	0 🗸	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	Z Z		
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	Z		-
c. The proposed action may involve dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from a wetland or water body.	D2a	Ø		
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	Ø		
e. The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff or by disturbing bottom sediments.	D2a, D2h	Ø		
f. The proposed action may include construction of one or more intake(s) for withdrawal of water from surface water.	D2c	Ø		
g. The proposed action may include construction of one or more outfall(s) for discharge of wastewater to surface water(s).	D2d	Ø		
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	Ø		
The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action.	E2h	Ø		
j. The proposed action may involve the application of pesticides or herbicides in or around any water body.	D2q, E2h	Ø		
k. The proposed action may require the construction of new, or expansion of existing, wastewater treatment facilities.	D1a, D2d	Ø		

1. Other impacts:		Z	
4. Impact on groundwater The proposed action may result in new or additional use of ground water, o may have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aqu (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.	r 🗸 nifer.	NO	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(small	to large impact ma
 a. The proposed action may require new water supply wells, or create additional demand on supplies from existing water supply wells. 	D2c	0	
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	0	П
c. The proposed action may allow or result in residential uses in areas without water and sewer services.	D1a, D2c	0	0
d. The proposed action may include or require wastewater discharged to groundwater.	D2d, E2l	0	
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		0
f. The proposed action may require the bulk storage of petroleum or chemical products over ground water or an aquifer.	D2p, E2l	0	0
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		0
n. Other impacts:		0	0
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.	⊘ N0) []YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
The proposed action may result in development in a designated floodway.	E2i		
The proposed action may result in development within a 100 year floodplain.	E2j	0	
The proposed action may result in development within a 500 year floodplain.	E2k	0	
The proposed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage patterns.	D2b, D2e	0	0
	D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k	П	0
If there is a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair, or upgrade?	E1e	0	

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.		NO [YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s	small	Moderate to large impact may r 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: i. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide (CO₂) ii. More than 3.5 tons/year of nitrous oxide (N₂O) iii. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon equivalent of perfluorocarbons (PFCs) iv. More than .045 tons/year of sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) v. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide equivalent of hydrochloroflourocarbons (HFCs) emissions vi. 43 tons/year or more of methane 	D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g		
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 hazardou air pollutants.	D2g		0
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	0	0
C. Other impacts:		٥	
Impact on Plants and Animals The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. (See Part 1. E.2. 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
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	⊠	
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	Ø	
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	Ø	
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.	E2p	Ø	

e. The proposed action may diminish the capacity of a registered National Natural Landmark to support the biological community it was established to protect.	ЕЗс	Z	
f. The proposed action may result in the removal of, or ground disturbance in, any portion of a designated significant natural community. Source:	E2n	Ø	
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	Ø	
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	Ø	
i. Proposed action (commercial, industrial or recreational projects, only) involves use of herbicides or pesticides.	D2q	Z	
j. Other impacts:		Z	
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	Ø	
b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc).	Ela, Elb	Ø	
c. The proposed action may result in the excavation or compaction of the soil profile of active agricultural land.	E3b	Ø	
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	E1b, E3a	Ø	
acres if not within an Agricultural District.			
acres if not within an Agricultural District. The proposed action may disrupt or prevent installation of an agricultural land management system.	El a, Elb	Ø	
acres it not within an Agricultural District. The proposed action may disrupt or prevent installation of an agricultural land management system. The proposed action may result, directly or indirectly, in increased development	El a, E1b C2c, C3, D2c, D2d	Z	0
acres it not within an Agricultural District. The proposed action may disrupt or prevent installation of an agricultural land management system. The proposed action may result, directly or indirectly, in increased development potential or pressure on farmland.	C2c, C3,		

9. Impact on Aesthetic Resources The land use of the proposed action are obviously different from, or are a sharp contrast to, current land use patterns between the proposed project 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.	in 🗸]no	☐YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s	small	Moderate to large impact may
a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or loca scenic or aesthetic resource.	1 E3h		
b. The proposed action may result in the obstruction, elimination or significant screening of one or more officially designated scenic views.	E3h, C2b	0	
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	0	0
 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		0
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:		0	
10. Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources The proposed action may occur in or adjacent to a historic or archaeologica resource. (Part 1. E.3.e, f. and g.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 11.	1	0 🗸]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	Ø.	
o. 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	Ø	
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	Ø	

d. Other impacts:		Ø	
lf 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	:		
 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.	√	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 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	0	
c. The proposed action may eliminate open space or recreational resource in an area with few such resources.	C2a, C2c E1c, E2q	0	0
d. The proposed action may result in loss of an area now used informally by the community as an open space resource.	C2c, E1c	0	
e. Other impacts:		0	0
2. 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.	✓ N	0 []YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
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	0	
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Other impacts:		0	
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13. Impact on Transportation The proposed action may result in a change to existing transportation syste (See Part 1. D.2.j) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 14.	ems. ✓]NO	YES
	Relevan Part I Question(small	to large impact ma
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	0	
c. The proposed action will degrade existing transit access.	D2j		0
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.	. \ 1	NO [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	В	
c. The proposed action may utilize more than 2,500 MWhrs per year of electricity.	D2k		
d. The proposed action may involve heating and/or cooling of more than 100,000 square feet of building area when completed.	D1g	0	0
e. Other Impacts:			
15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor light (See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.	ting. NO) [YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may produce sound above noise levels established by local regulation.	D2m	Z	
The proposed action may result in blasting within 1,500 feet of any residence, hospital, school, licensed day care center, or nursing home.	D2m, E1d	Z	
. The proposed action may result in routine odors for more than one hour per day.	D20	N	$\neg \neg \neg$

d. The proposed action may result in light shining onto adjoining properties.	D2n		
e. The proposed action may result in lighting creating sky-glow brighter than existing area conditions.	D2n, E1a	Ø	
f. Other impacts:		Z	
16. Impact on Human Health The proposed action may have an impact on human health from exposure to new or existing sources of contaminants. (See Part 1.D.2.q., E.1. d. f. g. If "Yes", answer questions a - m. If "No", go to Section 17.	and h.)	10 []YES
	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.	E1d		0
b. The site of the proposed action is currently undergoing remediation.	Elg, Elh		0
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	٥	
d. The site of the action is subject to an institutional control limiting the use of the property (e.g., easement or deed restriction).	Elg, Elh	0	
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	0	0
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	0	
. The proposed action may result in an increase in the rate of disposal, or processing, of solid waste.	D2r, D2s		0
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.	Elf, Elg Elh		
The proposed action may result in the migration of explosive gases from a landfill site to adjacent off site structures.	Elf, Elg	_	
The proposed action may result in the release of contaminated leachate from the project site.	D2s, E1f, D2r	0	0
a. Other impacts:			

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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.)	✓N	о [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 ma r 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		0
c. The proposed action is inconsistent with local land use plans or zoning regulations.	C2, C2, C3	0	
d. The proposed action is inconsistent with any County plans, or other regional land use plans.	e C2, C2	0	0
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.	C3, D1c, D1d, D1f, D1d, Elb		0
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:		0	0
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.	√NC) [YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
 The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas of historic importance to the community. 	E3e, E3f, E3g		
 The proposed action may create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire) 	C4	0	
c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where there is a shortage of such housing.	C2, C3, D1f D1g, E1a	٥	0
d. The proposed action may interfere with the use or enjoyment of officially recognized or designated public resources.	C2, E3	0	D
e. The proposed action is inconsistent with the predominant architectural scale and character.	C2, C3	0	
Proposed action is inconsistent with the character of the existing natural landscape.	C2, C3 E1a, E1b E2g, E2h	_	D
g. Other impacts:		0	

Asst Chairman Elliott asked for a motion to approve the Part 2 for both 11074 and 11202 Ridge Road. Kathy Blackburn made the motion with a second by Tom Kline. 4 Ayes- (TF, TE, KB, TK) 0 nayes and 1 abstention-(RF)

Part 3 SEQRA for both 11074 and 11202 Ridge Road. Shaun Logue from MRB-Group went through the part 3 of the SEQRA for both projects.

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Project : 11074 Ridge Road Solar Farm

Date : December 14, 2020

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

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Reasons Supporting This Determination:

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Identity portions of EA	F completed for this Project:	Part 1	✓ Part 2	✓ Part 3	

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, peak Supporting Information and project maps	plus this additional support information	n	
and considering both the magnitude and importance of each ident Town of Ridgeway Planning Board		ion of the	
A. This project will result in no significant adverse impacts statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative declar	on the environment, and, therefore, an ration is issued.	environ	mental impact
B. Although this project could have a significant adverse im substantially mitigated because of the following conditions which	pact on the environment, that impact will be required by the lead agency:	vill be a	voided or
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Name of Action: 11074 Ridge Road Solar Farm			
Name of Lead Agency: Town of Ridgeway Planning Board			
Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: Thomas Fenton	m Ellioti		
Title of Responsible Officer: Planning Board Chairperson / Ast Planning			
	Mrs	Date:	December 14, 2020
Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)	Shaun R. Logue - MRB Group	Date:	December 14, 2020
For Further Information:			
Contact Person: Joelle R. Brown, Planning Board Clerk			
Address: Ridgeway Town Hall, 410 West Avenue, Medina, NY 14103			
Telephone Number: (585)798-0730			
E-mail: jbrown@townridgeway.org			
For Type 1 Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a cop	py of this Notice is sent to:		
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SEQR Status:	✓ Type 1	Unlisted			
Identify portions of E	EAF completed for this P	roject: 🔽 Part 1	✓ Part 2	Part 3	

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as note EAF Supporting Information and project maps	d, plus this additional support inform	mation	Я
and considering both the magnitude and importance of each ide Town of Ridgeway Planning Board		as lead agend	y that:
A. This project will result in no significant adverse impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative dec	ets on the environment, and, therefore claration is issued.	re, an envirom	mental impact
B. Although this project could have a significant adverse substantially mitigated because of the following conditions whi	impact on the environment, that import will be required by the lead agen	pact will be av	roided or
There will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the declaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be	e project as conditioned, and, therefore used only for UNLISTED actions	ore, this condit (see 6 NYCR)	ioned negative R 617.7(d)).
C. This Project may result in one or more significant advestatement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and p impacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration is issued.	rse impacts on the environment, and ossible mitigation and to explore alt	d an environme ternatives to av	ental impact void or reduce those
Name of Action: 11202 Ridge Road Solar Farm			
Name of Lead Agency: Town of Ridgeway Planning Board			
Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: Thomas Fenton	Tim ElhoH		
Title of Responsible Officer: Planning Board Chairperson		1	
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:		Date:	December 14, 2020
Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)	Shaun R. Logue - MRB Group	Date:	December 14, 2020
For Further Information:			
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For Type 1 Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a	copy of this Notice is sent to:		
Chief Executive Officer of the political subdivision in which the a Other involved agencies (if any) Applicant (if any) Environmental Notice Bulletin: http://www.dec.ny.gov/enb/enb.h		g., Town / City	/ Village of)

Asst Chairman Elliott asked for a motion to approve the Part 3 for both 11074 and 11202 Ridge Road. Kathy Blackburn made the motion with a second by Tom Kline. 4 Ayes- (Tom Fenton, Tim Elliott, Kathy Blackburn, Tom Kline) 0 nays and 1 abstention- (Richard Fisher)

With the approval of the Part 2 and Part 3 of the SEQRA for both 11074 and 11202, Asst Chairman Elliott called for a Resolution issuing a negative declaration on both projects.

RESOLUTION 12: 12-14-2020

Resolution issuing a Negative
Declaration for the TJA-NY-11074
RIDGE ROAD MEDINA LLC and TJANY-11202 RIDGE ROAD MEDINA LLC
Solar Projects, Town of Ridgeway.

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the Town of Ridgeway (the "Planning Board") has received applications from TJA-NY-11074 RIDGE RD MEDINA LLC for a 3 MW ac solar energy generating facility at 11074 Ridge Road, in the Town of Ridgeway, and from TJA-NY-11202 RIDGE RD MEDINA LLC for a 5 MW ac solar energy generating facility at 11202 Ridge Road, in the Town of Ridgeway (collectively the "Action"); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board, having determined to review the two adjacent projects together to avoid segmentation, issued a Notice of Intent to act as Lead Agency pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), and no agency has objected to the Town acting as Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has determined that the Action is a "Type I" action under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has duly considered the Action, the comments of the public at a public hearing and written submissions, the full Environmental Assessment Forms, the criteria for determining significance set forth in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. § 617.7(c), the draft Negative Declaration, and such other information deemed appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has identified the relevant areas of environmental concern, has taken a hard look at these areas, and has made a reasoned elaboration of the basis for its determination;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Board of the Town of Ridgeway that:

1. The Planning Board declares itself to be the Lead Agency under SEQRA.

- 2. Based upon a thorough review and examination of the known facts relating to the Action and its careful review of all potentially adverse environmental impacts, and the entire record and proceedings relating to the Action, the Board finds that the Action will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and that a draft environmental impact statement will not be prepared.
- 3. The attached negative declaration, incorporated herein by reference, is issued and adopted for the reasons stated in the attached negative declaration.
- 4. The Town Special Counsel and/or Town staff are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of the resolution as necessary and to publish the requisite notice in the ENB.
 - 5. This resolution is effective immediately.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of December, 2020 by the Planning Board of the Town of Ridgeway.

Offered by Tom Kline who moved its adoption.

Seconded by Kathy Blackburn.

Adopted: 4 Ayes (Tom Fenton, Tim Elliott, Kathy Blackburn, Tom Kline)

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1 Abstention (Richard Fisher)

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Determination of Non-Significance

Lead Agency:

Town of Ridgeway Planning Board

Date:

December 14, 2020

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The Planning of Ridgeway Planning Board (the "Planning Board"), as lead agency, has reviewed the proposed action ("Action") and determined that it will not have a significant adverse environmental impact and that a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Name of Action:

TJA-NY-11074 Ridge Rd Medina LLC and TJA-NY-11202

Ridge Rd Medina LLC Solar Projects.

Location of Project Site:

11074 Ridge Rd, Medina, and 11202 Ridge Rd, Medina in the Town of

Ridgeway.

SEQRA Status:

Type I

<u>Description of Action</u>: The Planning Board is considering applications submitted by TJA-NY-11074 Ridge Rd Medina LLC for a 3 MW ac solar energy generating facility at 11074 Ridge Road, in the Town of Ridgeway, and from TJA-NY-11202 Ridge Rd Medina LLC for a 5 MW ac solar energy generating facility at 11202 Ridge Road, in the Town of Ridgeway.

Reasons Supporting this Determination:

The Planning Board has identified the relevant areas of environmental concern and has taken a hard look at each of the identified areas as required by the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"). The Planning Board compared the proposed Action with the criteria for determining significance identified in 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c)(1) and in accordance with 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c)(2) and (3). As indicated below in the discussion of each criterion specified in 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c)(1), the Action will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

The Planning Board has reviewed the Environmental Assessment Forms (EAF) and the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR §617.7, as well as the applications and the comments at the public hearing, and has determined that the Projects will not have a significant impact on the environment for the following reasons:

- A. As required by §617.7(a)(2), the Planning Board has determined that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required because any identified adverse impacts on the environment will not be significant.
- B. As required by §617.7(b), the Planning Board has:
 - 1. Considered the action as defined in subdivisions 617.2(b) and 617.3(g).
 - 2. Reviewed the Full EAF for each of the projects, the criteria identified in 617.7(c) and other supporting information to identify relevant areas of environmental concern.
 - 3. Analyzed the identified relevant areas of environmental concern to determine whether the action will have a significant adverse impact.
 - 4. Set forth herein its written Finding of No Significant Environmental Impact.
- C. The Board has compared the impacts reasonably expected to result from the proposed action to the criteria listed in 617.7(c)(1) as indicators of significant adverse impacts:
- (i) a substantial adverse change in existing air quality, ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels; a substantial increase in solid waste production; a substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems;

a. Traffic Impacts

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact upon traffic or transportation. This Action involves short-term impacts from construction period and decommissioning period traffic utilizing the existing road network. Operations period traffic is insignificant.

b. Noise Impacts

There will be no significant adverse noise impacts from the Project.

c. <u>Air Quality Impacts</u>

The Project will not create a significant adverse impact to air quality, the only impacts will be short-term disturbances during construction and decommissioning.

d. Wetland Impacts

There are no wetlands impacts.

e. <u>Erosion, Flooding and Drainage Impacts</u>

The Project will comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, including compliance with the Clean Water Act and the requirement to obtain applicable permits for stormwater discharges from construction activities. The Project will comply with the submitted Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan. There will be no impacts.

f. Solid Waste Production

The proposed Project will not increase solid waste production. The decommissioned system and construction waste will be disposed of in accordance with State regulations.

(ii) the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna; substantial interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species; impacts on a significant habitat area; substantial adverse impacts on a threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such a species; or other significant adverse impacts to natural resources;

The site is currently an agricultural property not in an agricultural district. The loss of agricultural property will not be permanent as site restoration (backed by a decommissioning plan and bond) will occur. The loss to the Town and region's agricultural resources is minimal. There will be no interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species. The property is not a significant habitat area and there will be no substantial adverse impacts on any threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such a species, nor other significant adverse impacts to natural resources.

(iii) the impairment of the environmental characteristics of a Critical Environmental Area as designated pursuant to subdivision 617.14(g) of this Part;

There is no Critical Environmental Area within the Project area, thus there will be no significant adverse impacts.

(iv) the creation of a material conflict with a community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted;

The proposed Project is consistent with the Town's current plans and goals, which specifically authorizes solar projects.

(v) the impairment of the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources or of existing community or neighborhood character;

This Project will be fully screened by multiple rows of landscaping which must be maintained through the life of the Project. The Project is located in a zone designated by the Town Code as appropriate for solar, and will not negatively impact neighborhood character. The Project will not impair the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources.

(vi) a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;

There will be no negative impacts, the Project will increase the supply of renewable energy.

(vii) the creation of a hazard to human health;

There will be no such impacts.

(viii) a substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land including agricultural, open space or recreational resources, or in its capacity to support existing uses;

There will be no such impacts. The proposed Project does not represent a substantial change in the use or intensity of use of land from current law, the land will be returned to agricultural use after decommissioning.

(ix) the encouraging or attracting of a large number of people to a place or places for more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the action;

There will be no such impacts.

(x) the creation of a material demand for other actions that would result in one of the above consequences;

There will be no such impacts.

(xi) changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment; or

There will be no such impacts.

(xii) two or more related actions undertaken, funded or approved by an agency, none of which has or would have a significant impact on the environment, but when considered cumulatively would meet one or more of the criteria in this subdivision.

There will be no such impacts.

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Shaun Logue-MRB gave a brief summary of the MRB Recommendation letters dated 12/12/2020. Mark Sweeney-Atty, Eric Kenna C&S and Mike Frateschi-TJA have requested a meeting to discuss the recommendations later this week. They are in hopes of submitting revisions prior to the next meeting.

At this time the Planning Board agreed to table the approval of the projects until the January 6, 2021 Meeting due to time constraints for TJA/ C&S to make revisions to the MRB Letter dated 12/12/2020.

The Planning Board received a draft copy of the Revised Battery storage law from Dan Spitzer, Special Council to the Town. The planning board members were given a copy of the plan and will discuss at the next meeting. Brian Napoli, Town Supervisor, stated that the Town Board will be discussing at the Workshop on 12/15/2020 and they would most likely call for a public hearing at the December Board Meeting to be held in January.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was none

Asst Chairman Elliott asked if there were any other issues or concerns. Since there were none, Asst Chairman Elliott asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kathy Blackburn made the motion and was seconded by Tom Kline. All were in favor and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 6th, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Joelle Brown Planning Board Clerk