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**RE: South Ripley Solar Project**

To whom it may concern,

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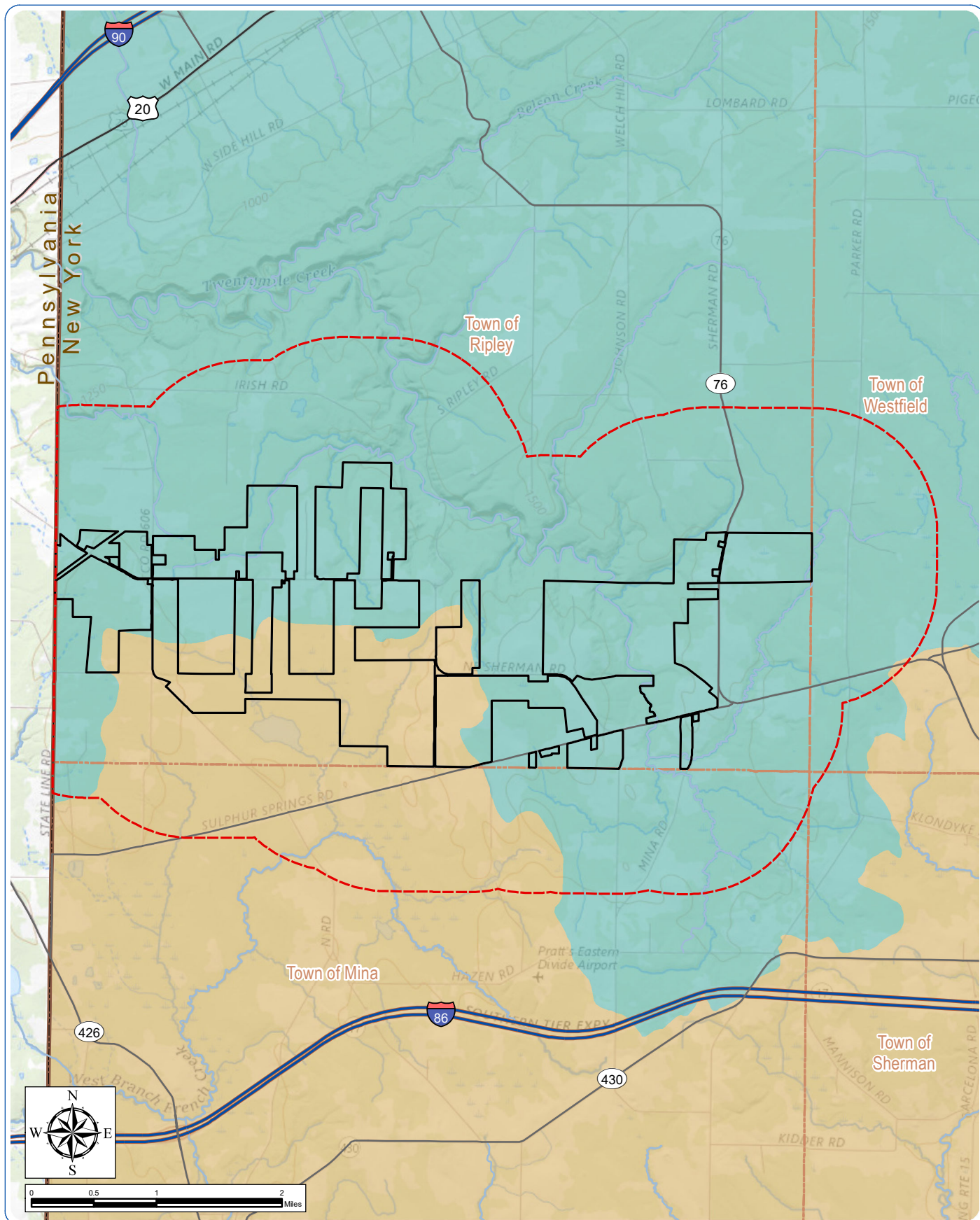
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Sincerely,

Bill Whipps  
Project Manager



## South Ripley Solar Project

Town of Ripley, Chautauque County, New York

### Facility Site and Watersheds

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Mark Klotz, Director  
NYSDEC, Division of Water  
Bureau of Water Resource Management, Water Well Program  
625 Broadway, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Albany, NY 12233-3508  
*Submitted via email to: [DOWinformation@dec.ny.gov](mailto:DOWinformation@dec.ny.gov)*

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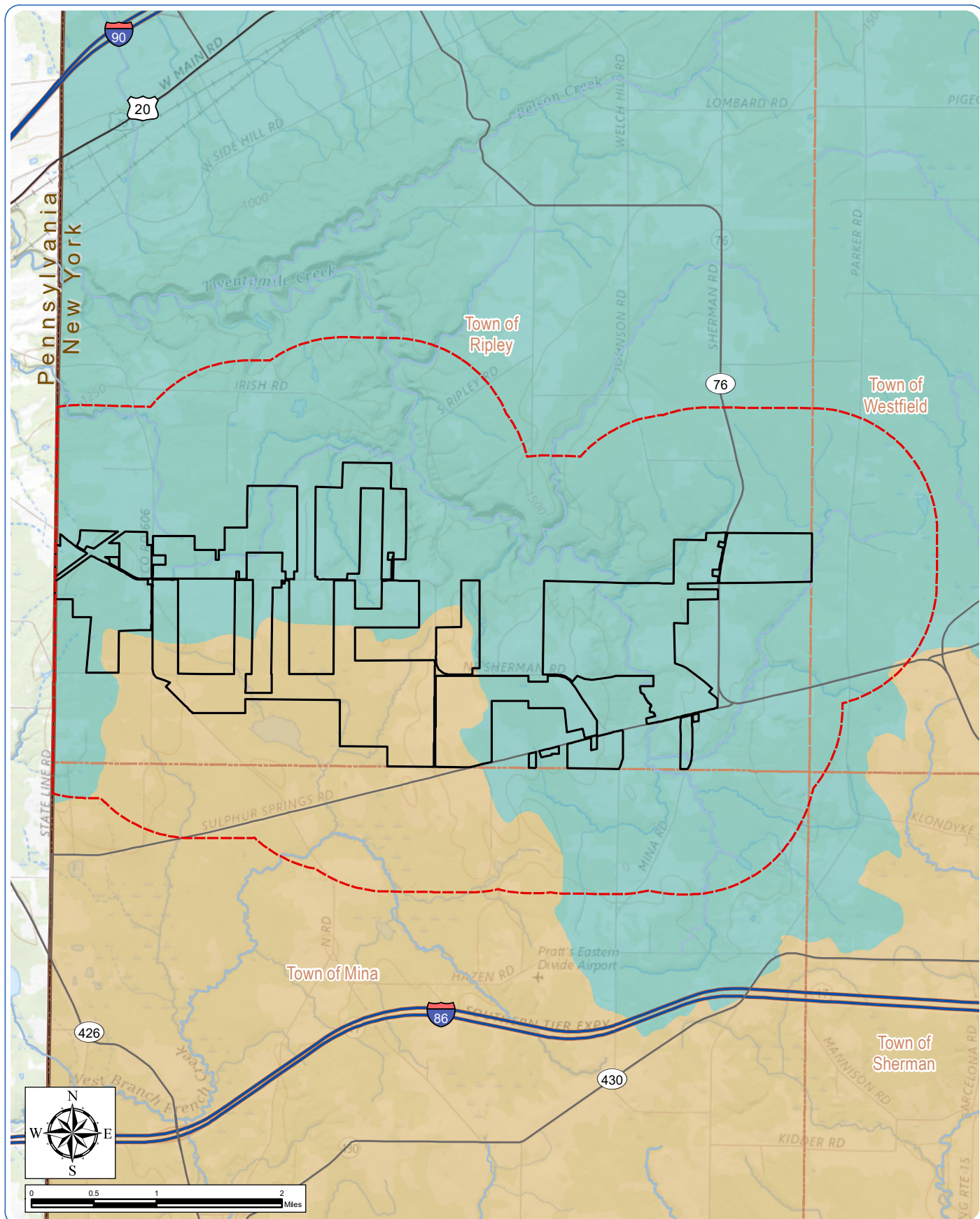
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Christine Schuyler, Comm. of Social Services/Public Health Director  
Chautauqua County Department of Health  
7 North Erie Street  
Mayville, NY 14757  
*Submitted via email to: [cchealth@co.chautauqua.ny.us](mailto:cchealth@co.chautauqua.ny.us)*

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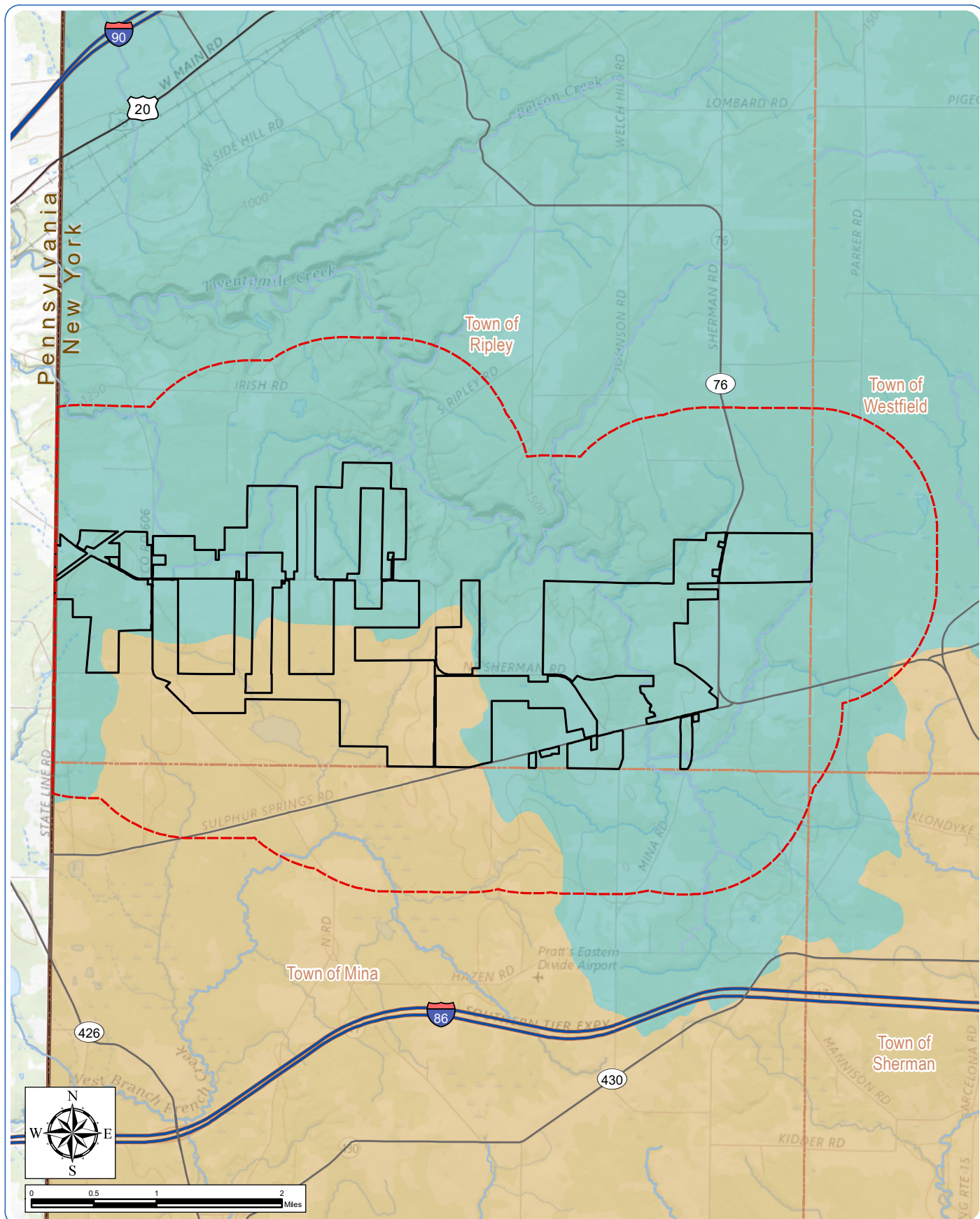
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# South Ripley

## SOLAR PROJECT

February 2, 2021

Name: <Name> \_\_\_\_\_

Address: <Address Line 1> \_\_\_\_\_

<Address Line 2> \_\_\_\_\_

**RE: South Ripley Solar Project – Private Well Survey**

Dear Sir or Madam:

As you may be aware, ConnectGen Chautauqua County LLC is proposing to construct a 270-megawatt (MW) solar power project within the Town of Ripley, Chautauqua County, New York. The proposed Project is subject to the rules for siting a major renewable energy facility under Section 94-c of the New York State Executive Law. Please refer to the Project website at: [www.southripleysolar.com](http://www.southripleysolar.com) for additional details regarding the proposed Project, the permitting process under Section 94-c, and upcoming public outreach and community engagement meetings.

As has been previously described to the public, a number of studies need to be conducted and prepared prior to submitting a siting application. Comprehensive work is currently underway to identify various resources in the vicinity of the Project and gather information on these resources. As part of the permit application, we are required to characterize potential impacts to water wells in the vicinity of the Facility. As such, we are requesting your participation in this survey to find out more details regarding water well usage for properties within 1,000 feet of the proposed Facility. This information will be used to inform Project design, which will ultimately be presented in the Section 94-c Siting Permit Application submitted to the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (Office). It is not anticipated that project infrastructure will interfere with local groundwater reservoirs or directly impact any wells, but we are collecting and analyzing location and condition information to ensure that project components are located in a manner that minimizes any potential impact. Generally, solar projects do not cause impacts to water wells or groundwater; however, similar to other types of construction like houses or roads, setbacks are included to ensure no direct impacts to wells. In order to address this, we typically maintain a setback of 100 ft from project components including solar panels, access roads, and collection lines. The information you provide will allow us to identify any potential impacts, minimize the impacts and identify mitigation in the unlikely event there is a potential issue.

In order to properly identify any water wells on your property (or properties), we request that you fill out the attached survey form and sketch sheet regarding each property to the best of your knowledge and return the completed form(s) at your earliest convenience in the included stamped envelope. If you have any questions regarding this survey, please feel free to contact the project team by phone at (800) 338-8905 or by email at [info@southripleysolar.com](mailto:info@southripleysolar.com). We sincerely appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Isaac Phillips  
Development Manager  
ConnectGen LLC



PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET IN THE PROVIDED ENVELOPE

## Private Well Survey Questionnaire

Please fill out the following questionnaire to the best of your knowledge. If you are not sure of the answer to a question, please comment as "unknown". After completion, please return this questionnaire in the enclosed stamped envelope.

Name: &lt;Name&gt; \_\_\_\_\_

Address: &lt;Address Line 1&gt; \_\_\_\_\_

&lt;Address Line 2&gt; \_\_\_\_\_

Parcel ID: &lt;Parcel ID&gt; \_\_\_\_\_

Property Location Description: &lt;Property Location Information&gt; \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have water well(s) on your property? If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate depth of well(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Diameter of well(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you connected/provided with Municipal Water (i.e., water provided by town or private water supply company)?  
\_\_\_\_\_

What is water from the well(s) used for? \_\_\_\_\_

Type of well/groundwater source (i.e., bedrock well or overburden/sand-gravel well)? \_\_\_\_\_

Type of well construction (i.e., steel casing, PVC, brick/clay, or other)? \_\_\_\_\_

Date of installation of the well(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Depth to water/groundwater within well (or depth to water encountered during drill of well)? \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate yield (gallons per minute [gpm]) of well(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had to drill a new well due to lowering of water table or poor well yield (if yes, indicate reason)? \_\_\_\_\_

Has the water been sampled and tested? If so, please indicate the date of the last testing. \_\_\_\_\_

What was the water tested for? \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe your water? Cloudy (yes / no) Hard (yes / no) Soft (yes / no) Color \_\_\_\_\_

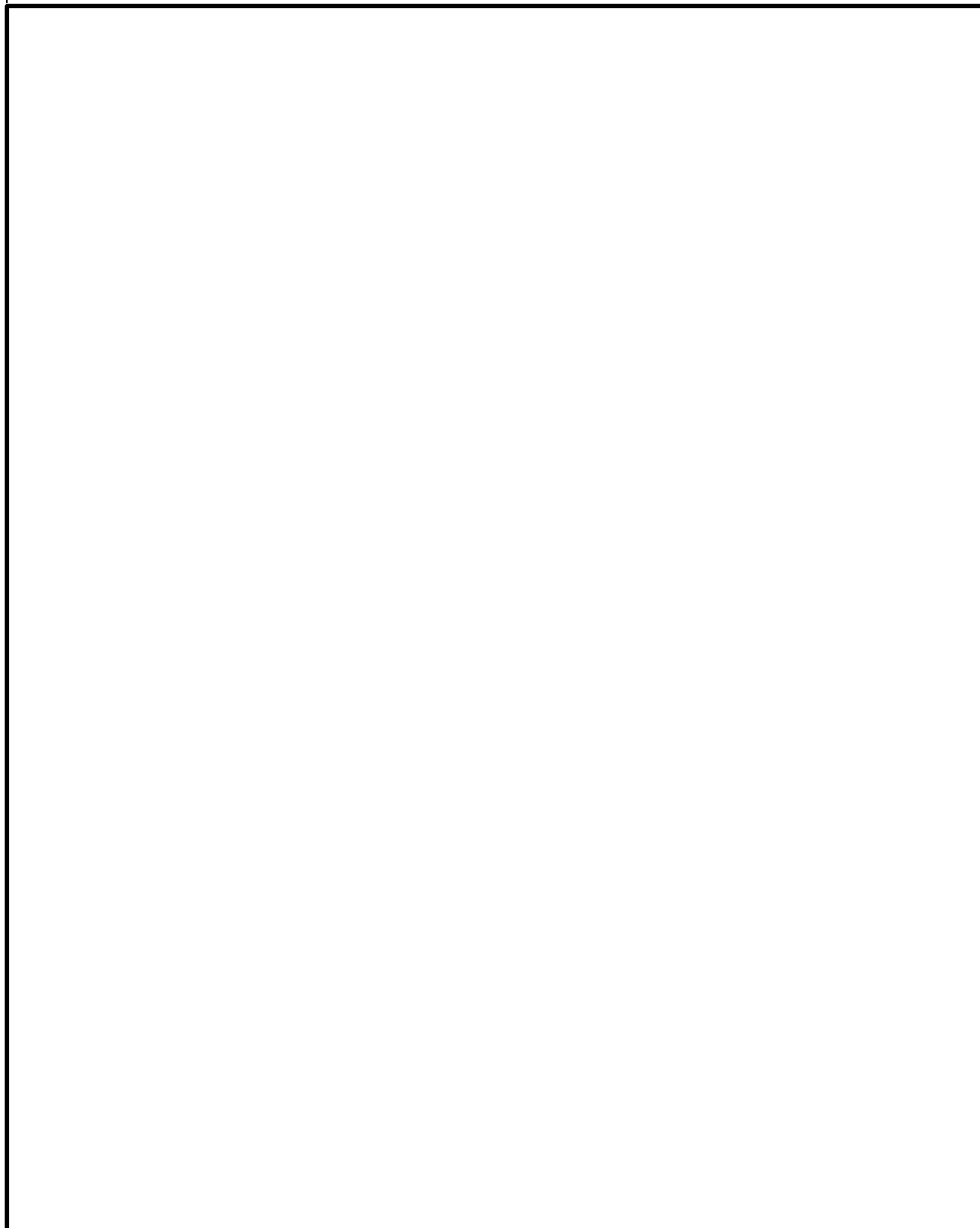
Does the water source experience seasonal fluctuation in elevation? Summer vs. winter months? During dry or drought-like conditions? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe location of well in relation to house and/or building on the property. \_\_\_\_\_

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<Parcel ID>

In the space below, please draw a sketch of the location of any wells on the property in relation to any structures (houses, barns, etc.), public roads, and/or other distinguishing features with approximate distances noted wherever possible.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a hand-drawn sketch of property features and wells.