



## Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation

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Re: DEC  
Broadlea Rd - Goshen / 7.5 MW / 25 of 269 acres  
142 Broadlea Rd, Goshen, NY 10924  
21PR03043

Dear Lauren Haberland:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the Division for Historic Preservation of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). We have reviewed the submitted materials in accordance with the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 (section 14.09 of the New York Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law). These comments are those of the Division for Historic Preservation and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include potential environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project. Such impacts must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York Environmental Conservation Law Article 8) and its implementing regulations (6NYCRR Part 617).

We have reviewed the Historic Resources Survey prepared by Hartgen dated April 2022, and the project narrative and site plan received May 7, 2021, for the proposed 19-acre, 7.5 MW[AC] solar photovoltaic array system located within the Town of Goshen between Broadlea Road and the Orange Heritage Trail. We note the following property has been determined Eligible to be listed on the State and National Registers of Historic Places: The Convent at Broadlea Building District located at 150 Broadlea Road in Goshen, NY.

We note the proposed solar facility will be located on mostly flat terrain, surrounded by a mix of agricultural properties, forests, and residential neighborhoods. A seven-foot-tall chain link fence is planned to surround the entire facility, and the access road will use pervious materials. We also note that the proposed solar facility has been reduced in size since it was first submitted, with the updated APE shown in the Historic Resources Survey. Based upon our review, it is the SHPO's opinion that the installation of the proposed solar photovoltaic array system, as described, will have No Adverse Effect on historic or archeological resources, provided the following conditions are met:

1. Maintain the existing vegetation surrounding the site for the proposed photovoltaic array system.

2. Provide a vegetative buffer at the western perimeter of the proposed solar facility. The buffer shall consist of vegetation found in the immediately adjacent areas, providing vegetation for year-round coverage and of varying heights.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out via email.

Sincerely,



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