

From: [Korn, Devan F \(APA\)](#)
To: [Deborah Pell Dunning](#)
Subject: RE: Ticonderoga solar facility proposal
Date: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 10:43:00 AM
Attachments: [Binder1.pdf](#)

The Agency has permitted three solar projects in Ticonderoga to date (see attached). Additional projects appear to be planned for the town, but have not been authorized at this time. I would recommend reaching out to the town supervisor or other local official directly to gain a fuller understanding of anticipated benefits to residents.

Sincerely,

Devan Korn

Environmental Program Specialist 2

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From: Deborah Pell Dunning <deborahpdunning@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, January 3, 2022 8:23 PM

To: Korn, Devan F (APA) <Devan.Korn@apa.ny.gov>

Subject: Re: Ticonderoga solar facility proposal

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Thank you for the information. This looks much different from the original drawing, at least as I perceived it. The panels are farther south than I had pictured, which means that they don't come near my property line and the heat island effect shouldn't greatly impact my property. My only concern now is that the access will be off of Old Chilson Road, and I imagine there will be signage at the entrance. This not only changes the residential/farm quality of the neighborhood but will cause significant extra wear on Old Chilson and Race Track Roads, which already tend to be pothole-ridden.

Is the project to the north still happening? Are there other solar farms planned for Ticonderoga? Will

the town of Ticonderoga or private citizens benefit financially, ie through tax reduction or access to lower-priced electricity?

On Mon, Jan 3, 2022 at 11:23 AM Korn, Devan F (APA) <Devan.Korn@apa.ny.gov> wrote:

Dear Deborah and Sarah:

Thank you for commenting on Agency application P2021-0296. I have attached a preliminary site plan for your review. The solar facility is proposed south of Old Chilson Road and does not appear to directly adjoin your property.

The application states: "The Project will not use or create a new demand for water and therefore is not expected to require interconnection to a public water supply. No existing water supply system serves the Project Site;" and "The anticipated period of construction is 4 months and construction activities may take place between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Saturday. However, driving posts will be prohibited on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. The estimated construction start date is March 2022, the estimated construction completion date is August 2022, and the estimated date the Project will commence operation is September 2022. The site will be accessed via Old Chilson Road (CR48) and traffic during operations will be minimal."

Please note that the application is not complete at this time.

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From: Deborah Pell Dunning <deborahpdunning@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2021 6:31 PM

To: Korn, Devan F (APA) <Devan.Korn@apa.ny.gov>

Subject: Ticonderoga solar facility proposal

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Hi,

Thank you for your letter. I would like some more information. I'd heard that the plan for a solar park was to be on the west side of 9N north of the rt 74/22 intersection. This public access road in a non-residential area seemed appropriate. Old Chilson Road, aside from the Crammond property is now entirely residential, is a very low-traffic road, and very quiet. An installation of this size would negatively impact our quality of life and lower property values.

My questions to start:

Is this adjacent to 508 Old Chilson Road on our eastern boundary or just at the south east corner?

May I have copies of environmental impact reports? A noise report? A traffic report? Will the facility be digging a water well or using existing wells on the property? This could greatly impact our water supply. How much ambient heat is a solar installation of this size expected to generate into the air?

I'm very concerned about increased traffic on a road that's historically private and rural. The road would need improvement to withstand the heavy trucks that will be used during construction and maintenance.

How long would construction take?

That's for starters. Thank you for your help with this.

Deborah Pell Dunning
Sarah Pell Dunning
508 Old Chilson Road
Ticonderoga, NY 12883



Adirondack Park Agency

**MAJOR PROJECT PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION DETERMINED
APA PROJECT NO. 2020-0008**

Date: September 23, 2020

The purpose of this notice is to inform you that on **September 21, 2020**, the Agency conditionally approved the project and issued Permit **2020-0008**.

The project is located in the Town of **Ticonderoga, Essex County**, on or near **NYS Route 9N**. The tax map number of the project site is: Section **139.15**, Block **3**, Parcel(s) **5.110**. The project is briefly described as follows: **Proposal to install a 5 MWAC photo voltaic energy system (Solar Generating Facility) on a 36.0± acre portion of the project site. The project involves installation of solar panel arrays and related infrastructure including a new access road, fencing, landscaping, and utility connections.**

Please contact **Ariel D. Lynch**, Environmental Program Specialist 2 (EPS2), if you should have any questions.

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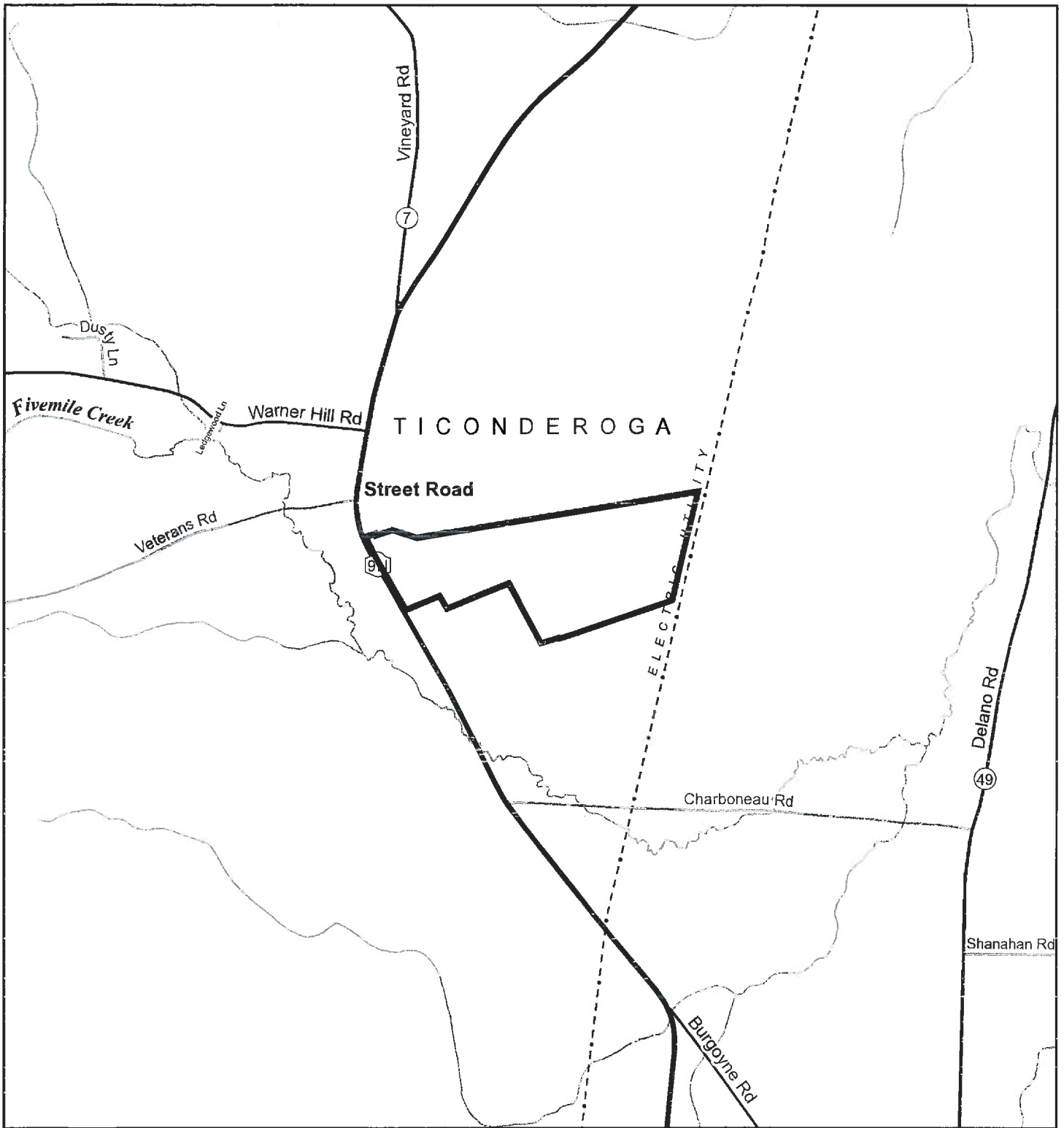
Date

Robert J. Lore

Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

cc: SolarPark Energy, LLC
Phillip Huestis
Anthony Pasquini
Adjoining Landowners
Town, County & LGRB Officials

Project Site for APA # P2020-0008



August 4, 2020

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 Park Boundary
Blueline

Coordinate System: WGS 1984 Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere

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Adirondack Park Agency

**MAJOR PROJECT PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION DETERMINED
APA PROJECT NO. 2020-0157**

Date: October 19, 2021

The purpose of this notice is to inform you that on **October 19, 2021** the Agency conditionally approved the project and issued Permit **2020-0157**.

The project is located in the Town of **Ticonderoga, Essex County**, on or near **Veterans Road**. The tax map number of the project site is: Section **139.4**, Block **1**, Parcel(s) **1.110**. The project is briefly described as follows: **Installation of a 20 MW solar facility to be sited on approximately 100 acres of a 255-acre property. The proposal includes installation of approximately 46,000 Hanwha 585-watt (or equivalent) solar photovoltaic (PV) panels. The solar panels will be attached to a single-axis tracker racking system and secured into the ground by driven posts (maximum structure height of 10 feet). The entire solar array will be enclosed by a 7-foot-tall wire mesh fence. The DC power produced by the solar panels will be converted to AC utility grade power using central inverters, located on equipment pads throughout the array. The project also involves a new connection to National Grid's Ticonderoga-Republic #2 115kV line located 1,450± feet east of the solar array, construction of a transformer station near NY State Route 9N between the array and that 115kV line, and installation of an underground AC line through wetlands to connect the solar array to the transformer station. The project is expected to operate for at least 20 years and to produce approximately 38,500 MWh of solar energy the first year.**

Please contact **Ariel Lynch**, the Environmental Program Specialist 2 (EPS2), if you should have any questions.

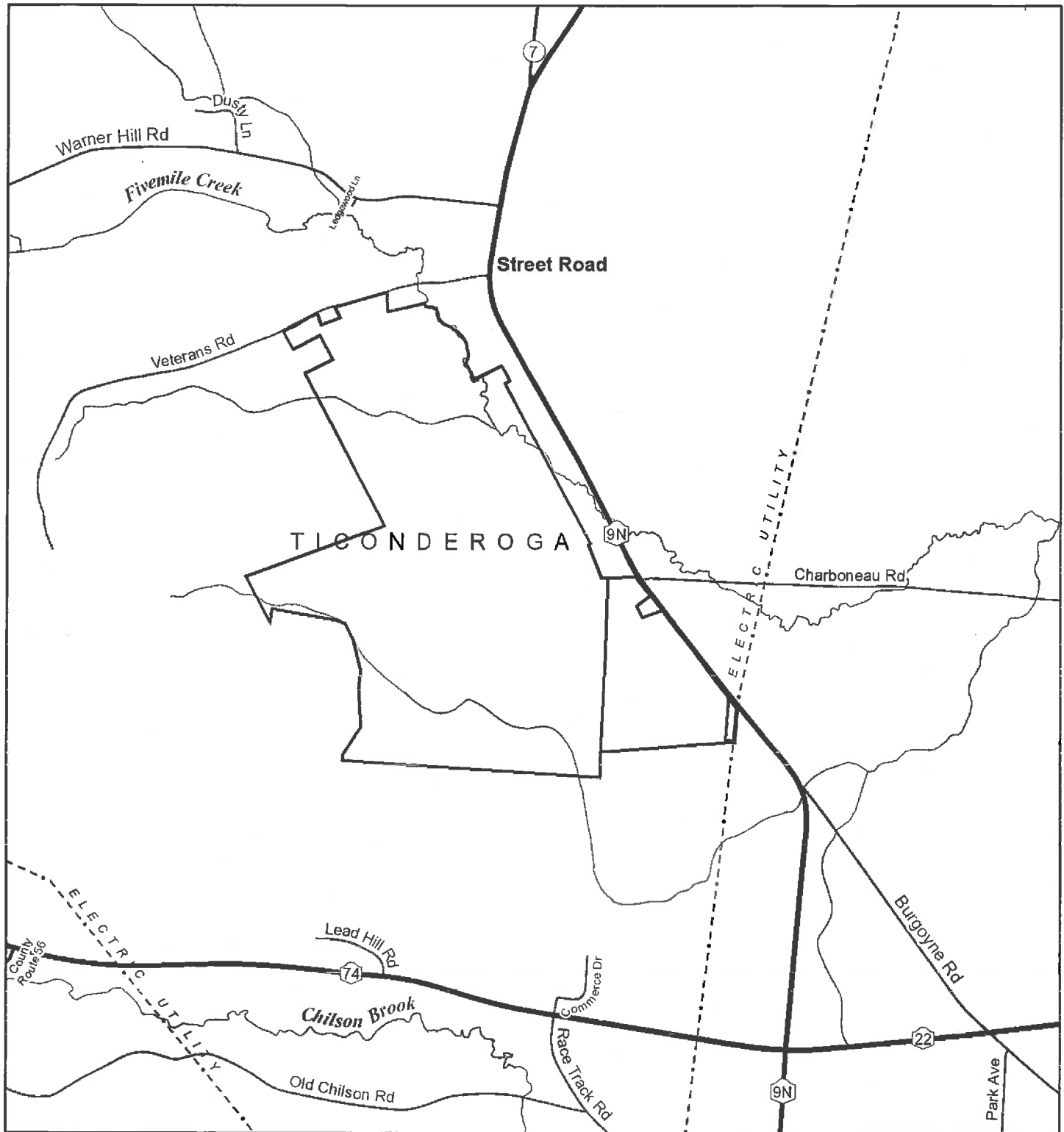
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Date

Robert J. Lore
Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

cc: ELP Ticonderoga Solar, LLC
Kathleen Doering
James Fordyce
Adjoining Landowners
Town, County & LGRB Officials

Project Site for APA # P2020-0157 (Sept 2021)



9/14/2021, 8:33:10 AM

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Temp Highlight
Parcel(s)

— Park Boundary
— Blueline

Coordinate System: WGS 1984 Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere

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**MAJOR PROJECT PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION DETERMINED
APA PROJECT NO. 2020-0277**

Date: April 21, 2021

The purpose of this notice is to inform you that on **April 19, 2021** the Agency conditionally approved the project and issued Permit **2021-0277**.

The project is located in the Town of **Ticonderoga, Essex County**, on or near **Route 74**. The tax map number of the project site is: Section **150.2**, Block **10**, Parcel(s) **1 & 2** and Section **139.4**, Block **1**, Parcel(s) **55.100**. The project is briefly described as follows: **The action involves the installation of a 5 megawatt solar energy generating facility located on 43 acres previously authorized as a commerce park.**

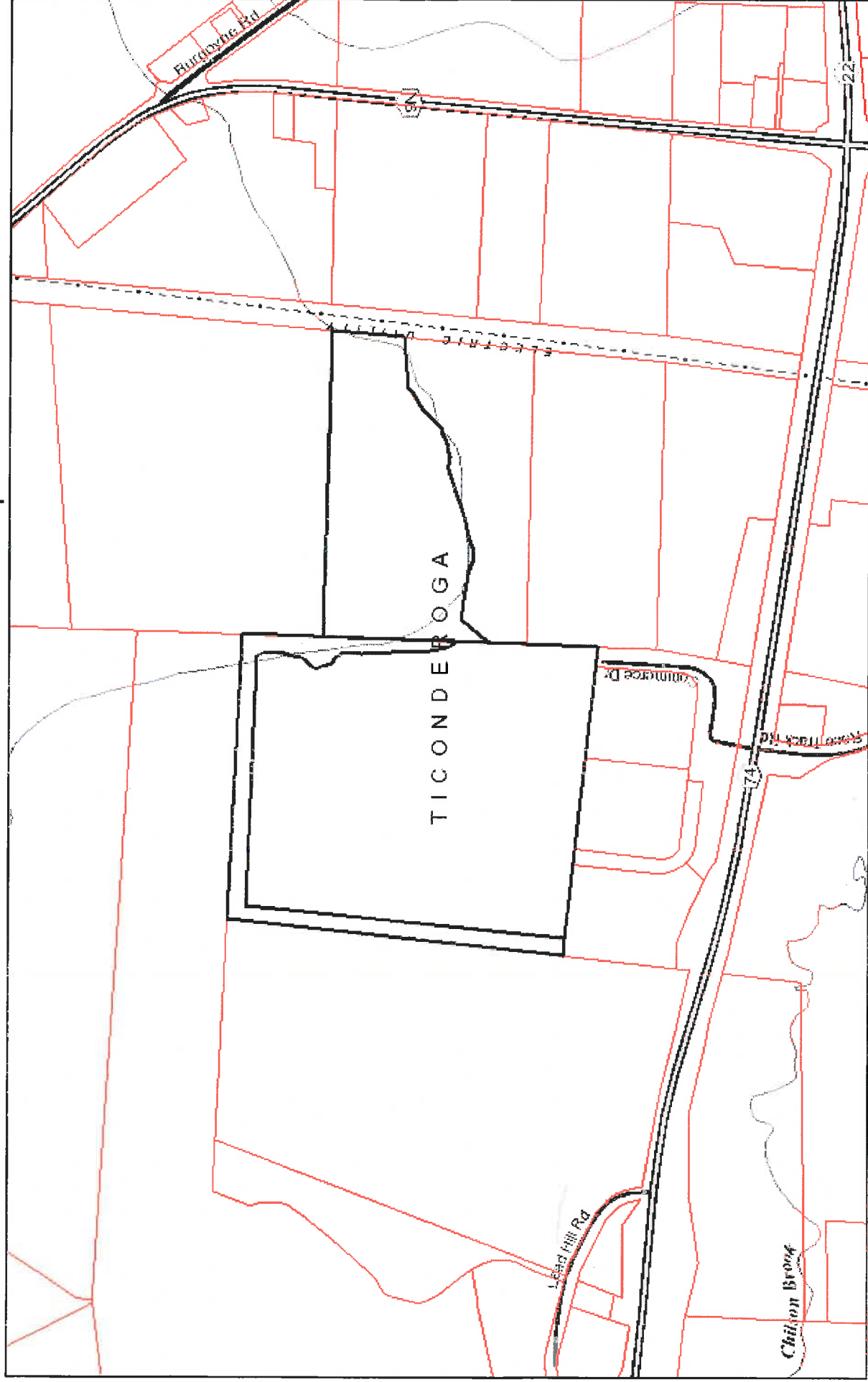
Please contact **Matt Brown**, Environmental Program Specialist 1 (EPS1), if you should have any questions.

4/21/21
Date

Robert J. Lore
Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

cc: Pivot Energy – Gordon Woodcock
Bruce Crammond
Jacob Runner
Adjoining Landowners
Town, County & LGRB Officials

P2020-0277 Location Map



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Temp Highlight Parcel(s)

Parcels 2018

Park Boundary Blueline

NYS Adirondack Park Agency

From: jkozlina@hotmail.com
To: [APA Regulatory Programs Comments](#)
Cc: jkozlina@hotmail.com
Subject: APA Project 2021-0296 Public Comments
Date: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 5:13:49 AM

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Please copy "2021-0296, Joe Kozlina, jkozlina@hotmail.com" into your message for our reference.

Attn: Devan Korn
Comments from: Joe Kozlina
Email from: jkozlina@hotmail.com
Address: 735 old furnace road crown point ny 12858
Re: Agency Project 2021-0296, Pivot Energy

My Comments:

I am pro solar. Just not on our precious food producing, forest producing or wildlife producing ground. I believe we have enough marginal land or roofs or abandoned parking lots to handle a 24-acre solar project. Heck the abandoned Lowes roof and parking lot would make a great solar source and not have to destroy any more land. It is already blighted with a building and paved parking lot. I am sure the utility access is already there to tap into. What would it take to change you minds as to solar being sustainable. We need all the open lands and forests and ag lands we can get. With a growing population and the heating of the earth why take carbon capturing land and cover it with black glass when we have other land masses that are much better suited for solar? If we as a people are going to have a chance of turning this climate around we have to think smart and keep our lands free of pollution of any kind.
Thanks Joe

From: scotthagadorn@gmail.com
To: [APA Regulatory Programs Comments](#)
Cc: [scotthagadorn@gmail.com](#)
Subject: APA Project 2021-0296 Public Comments
Date: Monday, May 2, 2022 8:21:03 PM

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Attn: Devan Korn
Comments from: Scott Hagadorn
Email from: scotthagadorn@gmail.com
Address: 12 Davin Lane Saranac Lake NY
Re: Agency Project 2021-0296, Pivot Energy

My Comments:

Have the following project impacts been thoroughly vetted by the applicant:

1. Glare study to determine impacts of solar panels at different tilt angles and orientations.
2. Impacts to grazing and migratory animals such as deer, moose, bear, and others.
3. Has a decommissioning bond been placed on the applicant for removal of all facilities after the project is no longer in use?