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

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.

If the lead agency is a state agency **and** the action is in any Coastal Area, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.

Tips for completing Part 2:

- 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, 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 ☑ 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	☑	☐
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.	D1e	☑	☐
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: _____ _____		☐	☐

2. Impact on Geological Features

The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or inhibit access to, any unique or unusual land forms on the site (e.g., cliffs, dunes, minerals, fossils, caves). (See Part 1. E.2.g) ☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", move on to Section 3.

	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: Powerhouse Road-Ingham Mills	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) ☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - l. If "No", move on to Section 4.

	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	☑	☐

l. 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 aquifer. (See Part 1. D.2.a, D.2.c, D.2.d, D.2.p, D.2.q, D.2.t)

☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 5.

	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, E2l	☑	☐
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, E2l	☑	☐
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)

☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", move on to Section 6.

	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	☑	☐
e. The proposed action may change flood water flows that contribute to flooding.	D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k	☑	☐
f. If there is a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair, or upgrade?	E1e	☑	☐

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) ☑ NO ☐ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", move on to Section 7.

	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:			
i. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide (CO_2)	D2g	☐	☐
ii. More than 3.5 tons/year of nitrous oxide (N_2O)	D2g	☐	☐
iii. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon equivalent of perfluorocarbons (PFCs)	D2g	☐	☐
iv. More than .045 tons/year of sulfur hexafluoride (SF_6)	D2g	☐	☐
v. More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide equivalent of hydrochloroflourocarbons (HFCs) emissions	D2g	☐	☐
vi. 43 tons/year or more of methane	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. m.-q.) ☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 8.

	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.	E2p	☑	☐

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. 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 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.)

☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", go to Section 10.

	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	D1a, E1a, D1f, D1g	☑	☐
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.)

☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 11.

	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: _____ _____		☐	☐
e. If any of the above (a-d) are answered "Moderate to large impact may 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.

☐ 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	☑	☐
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.

☑ 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 a reduction in the quantity of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d	□	□
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quality of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d	□	□
c. Other impacts: _____ _____		□	□

13. Impact on Transportation

The proposed action may result in a change to existing transportation systems. ☐ NO ☑ YES
(See Part 1. D.2.j)
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. ☑ NO ☐ YES
(See Part 1. D.2.k)
If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 15.

	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	□	□
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	□	□
e. Other Impacts: _____ _____			

15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light

The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor lighting. ☐ NO ☑ YES
(See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.)
If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.

	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	☑	☐
b. 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	☑	☐
c. The proposed action may result in routine odors for more than one hour per day.	D2o	☑	☐

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	☑	☐
f. Other impacts: _____ _____		☐	☐

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. and h.) ☐ NO ☑ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - m. If "No", go to Section 17.

	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	☑	☐
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.	E1g, E1h	☑	☐
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.	E1g, E1h	☑	☐
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	☑	☐
l. 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. ☐ NO ☑ YES

(See Part 1. C.1, C.2. and C.3.)

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.	C3, D1c, D1d, D1f, D1d, Elb	☑	☐
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. ☑ NO ☐ YES

(See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3)

If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas of historic importance to the community.	E3e, E3f, E3g	☐	☐
b. 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	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may interfere with the use or enjoyment of officially recognized or designated public resources.	C2, E3	☐	☐
e. The proposed action is inconsistent with the predominant architectural scale and character.	C2, C3	☐	☐
f. Proposed action is inconsistent with the character of the existing natural landscape.	C2, C3 E1a, E1b E2g, E2h	☐	☐
g. Other impacts: _____ _____		☐	☐

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Part 3 - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts
and
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.

See attached.

Determination of Significance - Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

SEQR Status: ☑ Type 1 ☐ Unlisted

Identify portions of EAF completed for this Project: ☑ Part 1 ☑ Part 2 ☑ Part 3

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

and considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation 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)).

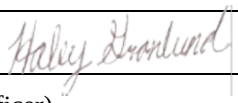
☐ C. This Project may result in one or more significant adverse impacts on the environment, and an environmental impact statement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and possible mitigation and to explore alternatives to avoid or reduce those impacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration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

Name of Action: Inghams - St. Johnsville Rebuild Project

Name of Lead Agency: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: Haley Gronlund

Title of Responsible Officer: Environmental Analyst

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:  Date: 05/08/2026

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State Environmental Quality Review

Negative Declaration

Notice of Determination of Non-Significance

DEC ID #: 0-9999-00284/00001, 2, 3 **Date: 05/08/2026**

This notice is issued pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), as lead agency, has determined that the proposed action described below will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Name of Action: Inghams - St. Johnsville Rebuild Project

SEQR Status: Type I

Conditioned Negative Declaration: No

Description of Action: The applicant is proposing the reconstruction of a 7.3-mile long 115 kV overhead electric transmission line involving the removal of 83 existing wood H-frame and steel lattice structures and the installation of 76 galvanized steel utility monopole structures and 4 temporary wooden pole structures, from the Inghams Substation, in the Town of Manheim, Herkimer County to the St. Johnsville Substation in the Village of St. Johnsville, Montgomery County. The existing Rights-of-Way (ROW) will be expanded to 100-feet in certain locations and will also include off-ROW access. The Project will result in approximately 0.0396 acres of permanent impacts and 4.5311 acres of temporary impacts to wetlands and 0.0194 acres of permanent impacts and 1.4394 acres of temporary impacts to freshwater wetland adjacent areas, associated with the installation of structural foundations, poles, and timber matting for equipment access. There are four protected streams located within the Project area; two Class C(t) streams, Crum Creek and Canada Creek, and two Class C(ts) streams, Zimmerman Creek and Timmerman Creek. However, the Project does not involve disturbance to bed or bank of protected streams. The proposed Project has also been reviewed pursuant to 16 NYCRR Part 102 of the NYS Department of Public Service regulations.

Locations: Within existing electric utility ROW and some off-ROW access in the Town of Manheim, Herkimer County, the Town of Oppenheim, Fulton County, and the Town of St. Johnsville and Village of St. Johnsville, Montgomery County.

Reasons Supporting this Determination: NYSDEC has reviewed the completed Part 1 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form prepared by National Grid and the materials submitted as part of the application for Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands Permit and a 401 Water Quality Certification. Based on our review of the proposed action, we have determined that the project is not anticipated to result in significant adverse environmental impacts for the reasons outlined below.

Impact on Land: The proposed action involves reconstruction primarily within an existing electric utility ROW to maintain the reliability of existing electric transmission. While the proposed action involves reconstruction

on, and physical alteration of the land surface of the proposed site, reconstruction will not exceed one year and vegetation clearing and trimming will occur generally within the existing utility ROW without the use of pesticides. The proposed action will disturb approximately 24.2 acres of land; however, the majority of this disturbance is temporary and will include the placement of timber matting and erosion and sediment controls.

Impact on Geological Features: The proposed action will not result in the modification or destruction of or inhibit access to any unique or unusual landforms on the site. The proposed action is the rebuild of existing electric utility ROW infrastructure and will involve the expansion of some portions of the existing ROW to 100-feet and temporary off-ROW access. The utility ROW exists on the landscape already and the standard reconstruction tasks associated with this authorization is to ensure the reliability of existing electric transmission.

Impacts on Surface Water: The proposed action is anticipated to result in the installation of 6 transmission structures within state-regulated freshwater wetlands and 1 transmission structure in state-regulated freshwater wetland adjacent areas. Permanent impacts to state-regulated freshwater wetlands and adjacent areas have been avoided and minimized to approximately .0219, which will occur primarily from the installation of transmission structure foundations. Temporary impacts from the removal of existing structures, placement of timber matting, access routes, and erosion control measures will also occur. The Project will obtain coverage under the SPDES Construction General Permit, for stormwater discharges (GP-0-25-001) and a SWPPP will be in place. The Project does not propose impacts to the bed or bank of a protected stream. Additionally, Article 24 Freshwater Wetlands Permit will contain permit conditions that require the Permittee to comply with NYS Water Quality Standards.

Based on this information, potentially significant adverse impacts to natural resources such as freshwater wetlands and surface waters are not anticipated.

Impact on Groundwater: While the Project involves the drilling of 76 holes to facilitate the installation of 76 transmission structure foundations, the proposed action is not anticipated to intersect groundwater resources or have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aquifer.

As a result, no significant adverse impacts on groundwater associated with this action are anticipated.

Impact on Flooding: The proposed action is located within an existing utility ROW that has not been identified as a designated floodway. The existing utility ROW is located within a 100-year and 500-year floodplain. The proposed action may result in a new transmission structure foundation installed within a 100-year or 500-year floodplain. However, the temporary work pad will only be approximately 100 x 100 feet and the average transmission structure base is approximately 6-10 feet in diameter.

As a result, no significant adverse impacts on flooding associated with this action are anticipated.

Impacts on Air: The proposed action does not involve the construction of new emission sources and may only involve the temporary operation of heavy construction equipment; therefore, there will be no significant adverse impacts on air quality from this action.

Impacts on Plants and Animals: The proposed action will require the cutting of approximately 2.29 acres of trees in select locations to facilitate the installation of transmission structures and ensure required clearances and maintenance of the 100-foot ROW. Additional mowing and hand cutting of floor vegetation will occur within the pre-disturbed maintained ROW. The proposed action will lessen the impact of equipment access on plant communities by placing timber matting in state-regulated freshwater wetlands and adjacent areas. All disturbed areas will be revegetated as a condition of the permit. Therefore, the action is not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to trees or other plant resources.

The proposed action is not anticipated to result in the loss of any occupied habitat or impact to any state or federally listed threatened or endangered species. NYSDEC mapping of the project area indicates that the project area falls within an area of occupied habitat for Bald eagle. However, it was determined that the Project will not affect the bald eagle because the proposed work is greater than 660 feet from the bald eagle nest. Therefore, the action is not anticipated to result significant adverse impacts to threatened and endangered species.

Impact on Agricultural Resources: This project traverses 31.14 acres of land with an agricultural use type and approximately 35 acres of highly productive soils. No loss of agricultural land will occur as a result of the proposed action. No areas of additional easement rights are located on active agricultural land. National Grid's Environmental Inspector will make the owners/operators of active agricultural lands aware of the proposed construction schedule in an effort to minimize disruption to ongoing farming activities and minimize crop loss. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts on agricultural resources are anticipated to result from the proposed action.

Impact on Aesthetic Resources: The proposed action involves reconstruction within an existing electric utility ROW, which does not cross any officially designated federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource. The proposed action may be visible from publicly accessible vantage points such as public roads and the St. Johnsville Little League Field. During construction, temporary visual impacts are anticipated due to the mobilization of construction equipment on site, though such impacts are anticipated to be small and temporary in nature. While existing wood and steel structures will be replaced with galvanized steel monopole structures, 83 poles are to be removed, and 76 poles are to be placed. Existing site conditions will remain and a change to aesthetic resources is not anticipated.

Impact on Historic and Archaeological Resources: A Phase IA/IB archaeological survey identified eligible historic buildings within or substantially contiguous to the existing ROW; the Klock Cemetery, the Inghams Mills Cemetery, 331 Crum Creek Road, and Beardsley Hydro Plan. There are over 50 historic structures, mainly residences, located in the Village of St. Johnsville, that are in close proximity to the Project. The NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) have indicated that in their opinion, the proposed work will have no adverse impact on archaeological and/or historic resources.

Impact on Open Space and Recreation: The proposed action involves the reconstruction of an existing electric utility ROW and will not result in an impact to or a loss of recreational opportunities or open space. The St. Johnsville Little League Field in the Village of St. Johnsville is adjacent to the ROW near Structures 510 and 511. The Project will have no permanent adverse effect on the field since replacement structures will be installed adjacent to the old structures. Access to structures 510 and 511 is proposed to utilize the existing

driveway to the St. Johnsville Little League Field as well as temporary access adjacent to the baseball fields. The use of the existing driveway and establishment of an access easement, and the acquisition of new easement rights has been coordinated with the owners of the St. Johnsville Little League Field. Construction impacts to the use of the fields will be temporary, therefore no significant adverse impacts on open space and recreation are anticipated.

Impact on Critical Environmental Areas: The proposed action is to take place primarily within an existing utility ROW and no areas of the proposed Project are located within or adjacent to a Critical Environmental Area (CEA) and is not anticipated to result in an impact to any CEA.

Impact On Transportation: National Grid will obtain a New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Highway Work Permit for any work performed within the highway right-of-way. The proposed action is not anticipated to result in a change to existing transportation systems.

Impact on Energy: This action will not result in the construction of any new electric utility infrastructure or an increase in any electric transmission capacity. The proposed action will involve the rebuilding of an existing 115 kV electric transmission line primarily within an existing utility ROW. The proposed action will help maintain the reliability of existing electric transmission, and no significant adverse impacts to Energy will result from the proposed action.

Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light: The proposed action will likely result in an increase in noise during the reconstruction activity undertaken, but this increase in noise will be restricted to construction hours, will be short-term, and temporary. Following construction, noise levels will return to existing ambient levels. No outdoor lighting is proposed as activities are to occur during daylight hours, and no change in odor is expected. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts to noise, odor, and light are anticipated to result from the proposed action.

Impacts on Human Health: The proposed action is not located on or adjacent to a project that is subject of remediation for hazardous waste. All poles and materials such as wood, metal, and concrete generated from removal of existing structures will be characterized and containerized appropriately for transport to DEC permitted waste or recycling facilities. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts are anticipated as a result of the proposed action.

Consistency with Community Plans: The proposed action will take place primarily within an existing electric utility ROW with select locations expanded to 100-feet and the Project will also include off-ROW access. Authorized reconstruction activates are necessary to ensure the continued safe operation of the electric utility ROW. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts on community plans are anticipated to result from the proposed action.

Consistency with Community Character: The proposed action will take place only within an existing electric utility ROW and authorized reconstruction activities are necessary to ensure the continued safe operation of the electric utility ROW. Therefore, no significant adverse impacts on community character are anticipated to result from the proposed action.

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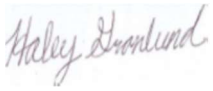
Signature of Responsible Officer: 

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