

Appendix 11-B: Agency Correspondence



## United States Department of the Interior

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March 10, 2021

In Reply Refer To: Consultation Code: 05E1NY00-2021-SLI-1813 Event Code: 05E1NY00-2021-E-05758 Project Name: Cider Solar

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). This list can also be used to determine whether listed species may be present for projects without federal agency involvement. New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list.

Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the ESA, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC site at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list. If listed, proposed, or candidate species were identified as potentially occurring in the project area, coordination with our office is encouraged. Information on the steps involved with assessing potential impacts from projects can be found at: <a href="http://www.fws.gov/northeast/nyfo/es/section7.htm">http://www.fws.gov/northeast/nyfo/es/section7.htm</a>

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (<u>http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/</u> <u>eagle\_guidance.html</u>). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the Services wind energy guidelines (<u>http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/</u>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: <u>http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm; http://www.towerkill.com;</u> and <u>http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/tower</u>

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the ESA. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

Official Species List

## **Official Species List**

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

New York Ecological Services Field Office 3817 Luker Road Cortland, NY 13045-9385 (607) 753-9334

## **Project Summary**

Consultation Code:05E1NY00-2021-SLI-1813Event Code:05E1NY00-2021-E-05758Project Name:Cider SolarProject Type:POWER GENERATIONProject Description:Proposed 500mW utility scale solar projectProject Location:Vertical Solar

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <u>https://www.google.com/maps/@43.096581549999966,-78.21853564999745,14z</u>



Counties: Genesee County, New York

## **Endangered Species Act Species**

There is a total of 0 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries<sup>1</sup>, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

1. <u>NOAA Fisheries</u>, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

### **Critical habitats**

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

### NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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May 26, 2020

Daniel Silver Stantec 61 Commercial Street, Suite 100 Rochester, NY 14614

Re: Hecate Cider Solar Project County: Genesee Town/City: Elba, Oakfield

Dear Mr. Silver:

In response to your recent request, we have reviewed the New York Natural Heritage Program database with respect to the above project.

Enclosed is a report of rare or state-listed animals and plants, and significant natural communities that our database indicates occur in the vicinity of the project site.

For most sites, comprehensive field surveys have not been conducted; the enclosed report only includes records from our database. We cannot provide a definitive statement as to the presence or absence of all rare or state-listed species or significant natural communities. Depending on the nature of the project and the conditions at the project site, further information from on-site surveys or other sources may be required to fully assess impacts on biological resources.

The presence of the plants and animals identified in the enclosed report may result in this project requiring additional review or permit conditions. For further guidance, and for information regarding other permits that may be required under state law for regulated areas or activities (e.g., regulated wetlands), please contact the NYS DEC Region 8 Office, Division of Environmental Permits, at dep.r8@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

Heidi Krahling Environmental Review Specialist New York Natural Heritage Program



Department of Environmental Conservation



### The following state-listed animals have been documented at or in the vicinity of the project site.

The following list includes animals that are listed by NYS as Endangered, Threatened, or Special Concern; and/or that are federally listed or are candidates for federal listing.

# For information about any permit considerations for your project, please contact the Permits staff at the NYSDEC Region 8 Office at dep.r8@dec.ny.gov, (585) 226-5400.

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COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	NY STATE LISTING	FEDERAL LISTING	
following species have be	en documented at the project s	<mark>ite.</mark>		
Northern Harrier Breeding and Nonbreeding	Circus hudsonius	Threatened		
Note: This area is also a stat	e-significant Raptor Winter Conce	entration Area.		
Black Tern Breeding	Chlidonias niger	Endangered		
Pied-billed Grebe Breeding	Podilymbus podiceps	Threatened		
Sedge Wren Breeding	Cistothorus platensis	Threatened		
Least Bittern Breeding	lxobrychus exilis	Threatened		
following species has bee	n documented within 200 yards	<mark>s of the project site.</mark>		
COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	NY STATE LISTING	FEDERAL LISTING	
Bald Eagle Breeding	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Threatened		
following species has bee	n documented within 0.2 mile c	of the project site.		
COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	NY STATE LISTING	FEDERAL LISTING	

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	NY STATE LISTING	FEDERAL LISTING	
King Rail	Rallus elegans	Threatened		5773
Breeding				

This report only includes records from the NY Natural Heritage database.

If any rare plants or animals are documented during site visits, we request that information on the observations be provided to the New York Natural Heritage Program so that we may update our database.

Information about many of the listed animals in New York, including habitat, biology, identification, conservation, and management, are available online in Natural Heritage's Conservation Guides at www.guides.nynhp.org, and from NYSDEC at www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7494.html.



### The following rare animals have been documented at the project site.

We recommend that potential impacts of the proposed project on these species be addressed as part of any environmental assessment or review conducted as part of the planning, permitting and approval process, such as reviews conducted under SEQR. Field surveys of the project site may be necessary to determine the status of a species at the site, particularly for sites that are currently undeveloped and may still contain suitable habitat. Final requirements of the project to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential impacts are determined by the lead permitting agency or the government body approving the project.

# The following animals, while not listed by New York State as Endangered or Threatened, are rare in New York and are of conservation concern.

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	NY STATE LISTING	HERITAGE CONSERVATION STAT	US
Birds				
Sandhill Crane	Grus canadensis	Protected Bird	Critically Imperiled in NY	′S
Breeding				
Documented at the proj	ect site. 2014-07-11: The birds were	observed in a mixed warm se	ason grassland/cool season	14273
grassland dominated by	y timothy (Phleum pratense) and ree	ed canary grass (Phalaris arun	dinacea).	
Prothonotary Warbler	Protonotaria citrea	Protected Bird	Imperiled in NYS	
Breeding				

Documented at the project site. 2014-06-18: Oak Orchard Swamp.

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From:	Denoncour, Brianna M (DEC)
То:	Adams, Joshua
Cc:	Kelly, Jen; Sullivan, Diane; Lynass, Nicole; Hogan, Chris M (DEC); Rosenblatt, Daniel L (DEC)
Subject:	RE: Cider Solar TE info-CONFIDENTIAL
Date:	Thursday, November 12, 2020 11:57:40 AM

Hi Josh,

I know there has been some discussion internally and with ORES on this project, and can say that DEC does recommend winter raptor surveys be conducted. My availability is very limited between now and Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>. I've copied Chris Hogan with our Division of Environmental Permits for taking the lead on coordinating with wildlife staff and scheduling meetings.

Thanks, Brianna

From: Adams, Joshua <Joshua.Adams@stantec.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 11:34 AM
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Subject: RE: Cider Solar TE info-CONFIDENTIAL

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Brianna,

I hope you are doing well. I was wondering if you were available for a call early next week to discuss winter raptor surveys on this project. A Wildlife Characterization Study (attached) for this site was submitted on 10/19 but due to the survey window quickly approaching we would like to discuss level of effort so we can get started ASAP if possible.

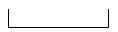
I have also attached the final BBS report for the work we completed this summer.

Please let me know any times that work for you and I will send a call invite.

Thanks

### **Josh Adams**

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Sent: Monday, July 20, 2020 11:04 AM

To: Gabriel Wapner < gwapner@hecateenergy.com>

Cc: Adams, Joshua <Joshua.Adams@stantec.com>; Harrison Luna <hluna@hecateenergy.com>; pmooney@hecateenergy.com; Kelly, Jen <Jen.Kelly@stantec.com>; Higgins, Michael T (DEC) <michael.higgins@dec.ny.gov>; Sullivan, Diane <Diane.Sullivan@stantec.com> Subject: Cider Solar TE info-CONFIDENTIAL

Gabe-

Below and attached is information regarding listed species locations in and adjacent to the Cider solar project. Review is based on project area shapefiles provided to DEC 5/28/20.

Sedge wren occupied breeding habitat occurs in a small portion of the project area.

Quality open grassland and wetland habitat exists within the project area and greater region. The project is adjacent to a winter raptor concentration area. There is occupied habitat of a number of listed species within, adjacent to, and within 5 miles of the project, including breeding and wintering northern harrier, pied-billed grebe, least bittern, black tern, and bald eagle. Some of these species may be present within the project area.

At least one bald eagle nest is located approximately one mile from the project area.

Prothonotary warbler habitat is located at the northeastern portion of the project area. This is a species of greatest conservation need occurring in wooded areas, flooded forests, and riparian corridors. To avoid and minimize impact to this species, tree clearing in occupied habitat should avoided to the greatest extent possible.

DEC's determination of occupied grassland bird habitat will remain until such time as the habitat is no longer suitable (i.e. no longer open field), or three years of consecutive targeted surveys, following DEC guidance, indicate the species are no longer present.

While it is not possible based on the information DEC currently has to determine the level of impact from the project, we provide the following general guidance to avoid and minimize impacts to listed grassland birds:

- Move as much of the project components, and temporarily and permanently disturbed areas as possible outside areas of occupied habitat.
- For all construction and other disturbance activities that must occur within occupied wintering habitat, conduct all such activities only between April 1 and October 31.
- For all construction and other disturbance activities that must occur within occupied breeding habitat, conduct all such activities only between August 16 and April 22.
- For all construction and other disturbance activities that must occur in areas where there is both occupied breeding and wintering habitat, conduct all such activities only between April 1

and April 22, and between August 16 and October 31.

Let me know if you have any questions regarding this information. Thank you,

Brianna

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Subject:	RE: BBS Survey Plan for the Proposed Cider Solar Energy Facility
Date:	Thursday, July 2, 2020 9:14:00 AM
Attachments:	NYSDEC-Cider NDA blank.pdf

Hi Josh,

I've already sent a blank NDA to Gabe. After Hecate signs and returns, I can provide TE species locations.

Thanks, Brianna

From: Adams, Joshua <Joshua.Adams@stantec.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 11:23 AM

To: Denoncour, Brianna M (DEC) < Brianna.Denoncour@dec.ny.gov>

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Subject: RE: BBS Survey Plan for the Proposed Cider Solar Energy Facility

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Brianna,

Hope you are doing well, we have amended the survey design to match the solar guidance.

Would you please draft and send an NDA so we can review known habitat locations>

Thank you

### **Josh Adams**

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 9, 2020 3:55 PM

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Subject: RE: BBS Survey Plan for the Proposed Cider Solar Energy Facility

Josh,

The applicant needs to sign a non-disclosure agreement to receive detailed information on sensitive species locations. I will say that only a tiny portion of the project area is within sedge wren occupied habitat. Avoidance of the mapped habitat will hopefully be easy.

I can draft an NDA and send along tomorrow.

Brianna

From: Adams, Joshua < Joshua.Adams@stantec.com >

Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2020 3:46 PM

To: Denoncour, Brianna M (DEC) <<u>Brianna.Denoncour@dec.ny.gov</u>>

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**Subject:** RE: BBS Survey Plan for the Proposed Cider Solar Energy Facility

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Brianna,

Thanks for the prompt reply, we are currently reviewing your comments and will provide responses as soon as possible.

One thing I did notice was the comment on the sedge wren habitat, would it be possible to provide more information on the sedge wren habitat location? Knowing this will help us accommodate minimization/avoidance in site planning.

### **Josh Adams**

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Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 2:43 PM

To: Adams, Joshua <<u>Joshua.Adams@stantec.com</u>>

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Josh,

Thank you for providing DEC the BBS work plan for the Cider solar project. After reviewing the work plan, wildlife staff have some comments. First, I do apologize if there was a miscommunication on my part regarding the recommended methods to base surveys for this project on. The transect-based breeding bird survey methods described in NYSDEC's *Guidelines for Conducting Bird and Bat Studies at Commercial Wind Energy Projects,* with stopping points 50-100m apart, are geared more for evaluating displacement impacts of wind turbines on songbirds in general than they are for grassland bird impacts at solar projects. The *Guidelines* reference grassland bird-specific protocols for conducting surveys intended to target grassland birds at any project type (see *New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Protocol for State-listed Breeding Grassland Bird Species, Draft 2015,* attached, with additional updates below). While the *Guidelines* are suitable for general BBS work at wind projects, the *Protocols* are what DEC has been recommending for projects sited primarily in grassland bird habitat.

As the applicant is aware, the NY Natural Heritage Program database indicates that a portion of the project contains breeding sedge wren occupied habitat, and is adjacent to a winter raptor concentration area containing wintering northern harrier occupied habitat. Documented breeding areas for least bittern, black tern, pied-billed grebe and prothonotary warbler occur within or adjacent to the project. There is also at least one bald eagle nest approximately one mile from the project, and breeding northern harrier occupied habitat less than one mile from the project. Based on the information we currently have, this project may impact one or more of these State-listed species.

Areas of documented listed grassland bird species occupied habitat are considered still occupied until either the area is no longer suitable for use by the species (i.e. no longer an open field), or three consecutive years of surveys following DEC protocols indicate the area is no longer being used by the species. There may be additional records or observations of listed species in these project areas available from other sources (e.g. regional DEC staff, local birding organizations, eBird, etc.).

In what is probably a typo on page 5, the proposed methods are in Section 4, not Section 3.

While the work plan states surveys will conclude on June 30<sup>th</sup>, we recommend surveys be conducted until July 20<sup>th</sup> at all proposed solar energy sites, particularly if sedge wrens or Henslow's sparrows may be utilizing the area. This site contains sedge wren occupied habitat. Our preferred outcome is avoidance of impacts to TE species and their habitats, and results from adequate pre-construction

surveys can help inform project design and siting decisions to avoid or minimize impacts to regulated species.

While survey points may be arranged along a transect in appropriate habitat, we recommend a distance of 250m between points when conducting surveys targeting breeding grassland birds. The proposed survey points are closer than 250m from each other, and several large areas of open fields do not appear to have adequate coverage, suggesting additional points should be added for better coverage of each 25-acre open area in the project. DEC understands some fields may be in row crop (corn, soy, other vegetables) during the 2020 growing season, and encourages the applicant to discuss the need for continuing surveys in those areas after recent site visits have been conducted. However, until the current ground cover is assessed during on-site surveys, our recommendation is to plan surveys covering as much of the open habitat as possible at each project.

Several of the proposed survey points appear to be located in or close to forested or shrubby areas that do not represent suitable locations to survey for grassland birds (Transect 2, portions of Transects 1, 3, 4 and 5), or in fields too small and unlikely to be utilized by grassland birds (Transect 2, portions of Transects 4 and 5).

In a recent visit to a portion of the project site, staff noted the following areas of suitable habitat that currently lack survey coverage:

- Fields north of Lockport Rd between Albion and Fisher Rd have hay/potential grassy fields
- Between the large power line that crosses Fisher Rd and the forested area to the north are large fields that are currently in hay or have recently been cut
- Hayfield on the south side of Lockport Rd, near the Oakfield-Elba town line

We also recommend some survey points be located to provide coverage of areas that will not be impacted by construction and operation of the project. Data on bird use in such areas will provide information on potential siting options that may avoid or minimize impacts to listed species, could serve as mitigation parcels (if needed), or used as reference areas for post-construction monitoring.

Documentation of behavioral observations of threatened and endangered species should be as specific as possible, particularly when attempting to identify potential nest locations. A bird may not be directly observed landing or leaving a specific nest site, however concentrated activity in an area, territorial, aggressive, or courtship behaviors, and individuals coming and going carrying food or fecal sacs are indicators of a likely nest nearby.

We request the following GIS shapefiles (.shp) as soon as they are available (we have received the project area shapefiles):

-project area -parcels under control -panel locations -alternate panel locations, if any -fencelines -access roads -interconnection lines -0&M building -substation -storage/laydown areas -any other project components not mentioned above -limits of temporary disturbance -limits of permanent disturbance -areas of vegetation clearing -wetland/stream delineations for the project area, and for areas within 500 ft of all potential limits of disturbance -vernal pool locations -stream crossing locations -invasive species locations -plant community mapping/vegetative cover types -breeding bird survey transect/point locations -winter raptor stationary points and driving routes/stops -state-listed and special concern species observations for all wildlife surveys (not just the point observed from, but the location of the individual on the landscape, including dates, species, flight

paths, behaviors, and survey type documented during)

I realize field work is already underway, and appreciate your consideration of DEC's comments. We also acknowledge that the preferred approach of field surveys may change to roadside surveys or only a desktop analysis, based on the status of travel and health restrictions in New York. We would appreciate some clarification on the above points, either as a revised work plan or response to this email.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you, Brianna

From: Adams, Joshua <<u>loshua.Adams@stantec.com</u>>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 8:30 PM
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Subject: BBS Survey Plan for the Proposed Cider Solar Energy Facility

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Brianna,

I hope this email finds you well.

I have attached the BBS Survey plan for Hecate Energy's Cider Solar project in Genesee County as well

as shapefiles of the project area for DEC's review and comment. Currently due to pending stakeholder negotiations, Hecate wishes to keep the proposed project area confidential. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you, have a great evening!

### **Josh Adams**

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