

Appendix 13-1

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**RE: Matter No. 21-00917
Brookside Solar, LLC; Brookside Solar Project
Towns of Burke and Chateaugay, Franklin County, New York
Information Request**

To Whom It May Concern:

Brookside Solar, LLC (Brookside) is proposing the development of a solar energy generation facility in the Towns of Burke and Chateaugay in Franklin County, New York. Brookside Solar, LLC plans to submit an application to the NYS Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) in pursuit of a Permit for a Major Renewable Energy Facility under Section 94-c of the New York State Executive Law to construct the Brookside Solar Project (the Facility).

Brookside is proposing to construct the Facility, a 100 megawatt, alternating current (MWac) photovoltaic solar facility on property leased or purchased from private landowners (Facility Site). The Facility may consist of tracking technology PV panels installed on low-profile racking systems mounted on poles driven directly into the ground. Inverters, which collect the electricity by the panels and convert it from direct current to alternating current, will be spaced throughout the Facility. A new collection substation will take the power from the inverters and step it up to match the voltage of the electrical grid and tie in via the existing Chateaugay-Willis 115 kilovolt (kV) transmission line immediately adjacent to the Facility Site. A protective fence will surround the Facility. The Facility is scheduled for construction in late 2022.

As part of the State's Section 94-c Application review process, and as required under §900-2.14(a), Brookside is requesting groundwater well information for the area outlined in the enclosed shapefiles. More specifically, we request the location, construction logs, depths, and descriptions of encountered bedrock for groundwater wells within the indicated areas in Franklin County for which the Department has record information. Brookside respectfully submits this Freedom of Information Request to obtain this information.

The general layout of the Facility is presented as Figure 1. The enclosed shapefile package has been provided to assist in your review of the Facility Study Area and outline the area requested for groundwater well information. Additional information can be found on the Facility website at <https://www.aes.com/brookside-solar-project>. Please note, this information request is being made in order to help prepare the Section 94-c Application.

If you have any questions regarding the Facility or the request herein, please contact me at TRC by calling (315) 715-1642 or via email at HEffler@TRCcompanies.com.

Sincerely,

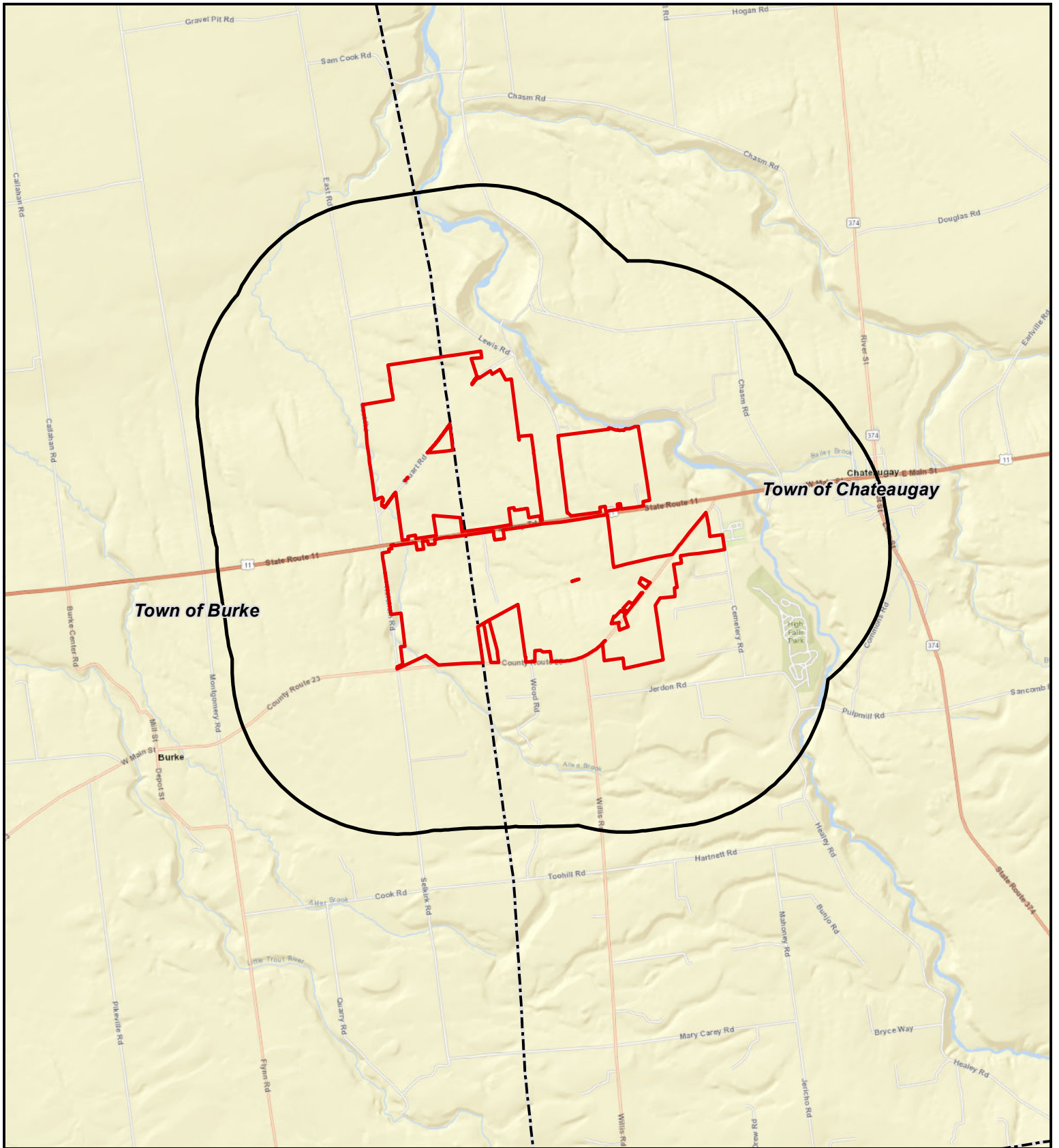
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Environmental Permitting Project Manager



cc: Josh Baird – AES
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Attachments: Attachment A: Facility Location Map
Attachment B: Facility Study Area shapefiles

**Attachment A
Facility Location Map**



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- SITE BOUNDARY
- TOWN BOUNDARY

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FIGURE 1