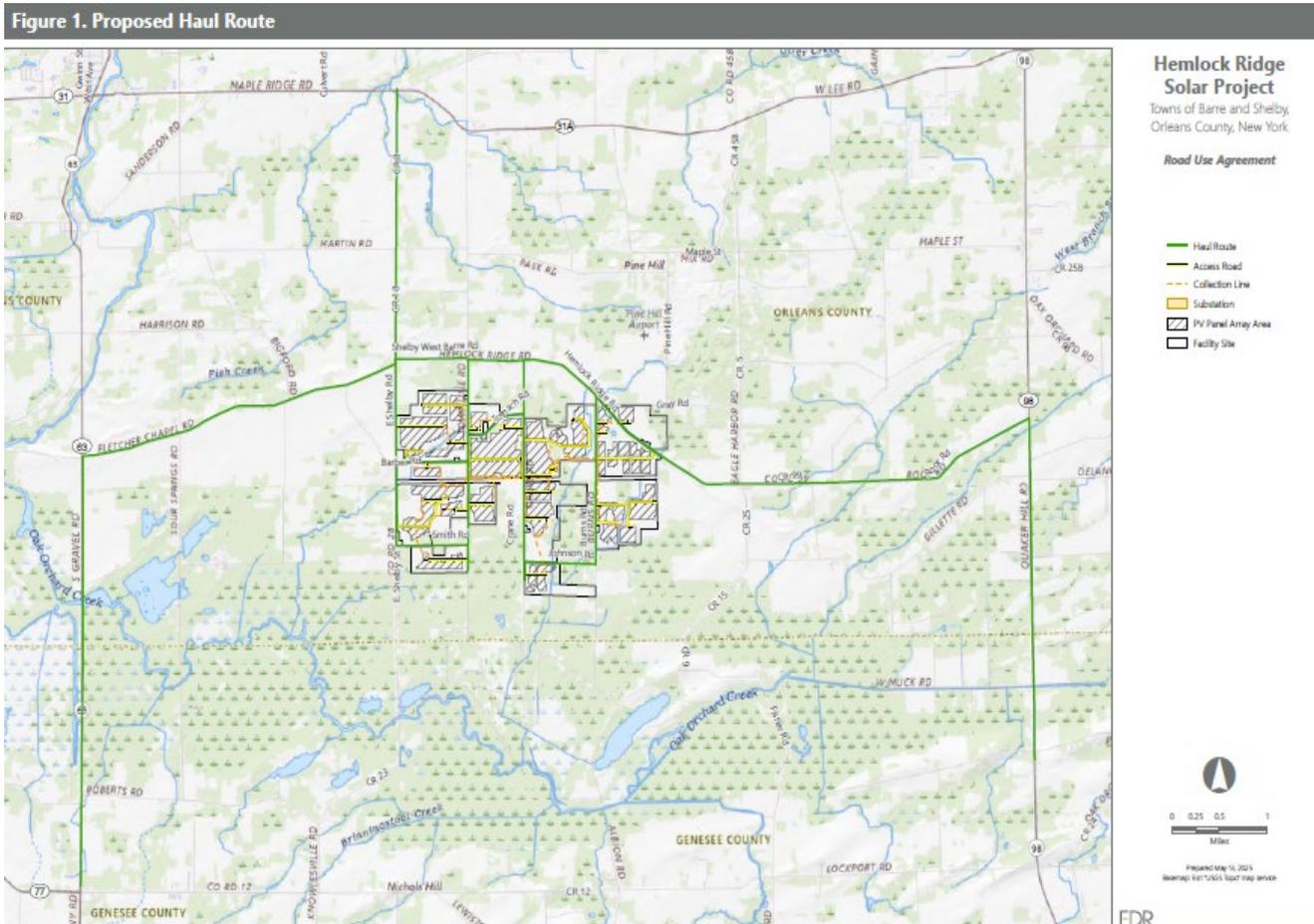


This notice announces that, on or about March 16, 2026, Hemlock Ridge Solar LLC (Hemlock Ridge or Permit Holder) will begin tree felling activities (Phase I) to support the commencement of construction of the 200-megawatt (MW) Solar Electric Generating Facility located in the Towns of Barre and Shelby, Orleans County, NY (the Facility).

Pursuant to Article VIII of the New York State Public Service Law (the Article VIII process), this notice is being provided in accordance with *Section 5, Subsection 5.2(a)* of the Facility's Siting Permit for a Major Renewable Energy Facility, which was issued by the Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission (ORES) on September 22, 2022. A copy of the Siting Permit (and all public documents filed in this proceeding) may be accessed electronically at DPS's website, <https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications> or directly at <https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=21-00748&CaseSearch=Search>

MAP OF THE PROJECT AND PHASE I CONSTRUCTION ROUTES





BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

Hemlock Ridge will construct the Facility in the Towns of Barre and Shelby, Orleans County. When completed, the Facility will have a total generating capacity of up to 200-megawatts (MW). In addition to photovoltaic (PV) solar arrays, the Project will include: racking support structures; inverters; medium voltage transformers; an on-site substation featuring a high voltage transformer; access roads; security fencing and gates; communication cabling; electrical collector cabling consisting of direct current (DC) electrical cables connecting solar panels to inverters and buried and overhead alternating current (AC) electrical cables connecting the inverters to the substation; and temporary construction laydown areas. The substation and a proposed point of interconnection (POI) switchyard located within the Facility Site will interconnect the Facility via overhead transmission lines running to the existing National Grid 115 kV Lockport to Mortimer electric circuit.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

Phase I of construction consisting of tree felling is scheduled to begin on or about March 16, 2026. Thereafter, construction will proceed according to the below phases and approximate schedule:

- Site Preparation and Civil Construction in or around July 2026; and
- Photovoltaic Installation in or around August 2026.

All construction activities shall be limited to 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday and on national holidays.

FACILITY CONTACTS FOR DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION

| Company | Name | Title | Phone | Email |
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| | David Warner | PM – Environmental Compliance (PMEC) | 716-446-7508 | david.warner@aes.com |
| | Matthew Gibbs | Sr. Manager – Stakeholder Relations | 866-757-7697 | matthew.gibbs@aes.com |

THE PROCEDURE AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR REGISTERING A COMPLAINT

Comments or complaints by neighboring residents or others may be made through the following channels. For safety reasons, members of the public will not be allowed onsite to register complaints with Hemlock Ridge Solar-affiliated workers during construction.

- Call the Toll-Free Number: 1-866-757-7697
- Write to Hemlock Ridge Solar LLC at its email address: hemlockridgesolar@aes.com

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- Mail comments or complaints to: Hemlock Ridge Solar LLC, 292 Madison Ave, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10017.

ORES AND NYSDPS CONTACT INFORMATION

ORES – Public Information Officer – general@ores.ny.gov, 518-473-4536

DPS – Secretary – Secretary@dps.ny.gov

PUBLIC LOCATIONS WHERE FACILITY INFORMATION IS POSTED

Facility information may be viewed at the following public repositories:

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| Barre Town Hall 14317 W Barre Rd Albion, NY 14411 | Shelby Town Hall 4062 Salt Works Rd Medina, NY 14103 |
| Hoag Town Library 134 South Main St Albion, NY 14411 | Lee-Whedon Memorial Library 620 West Avenue Medina, NY 14103 |
| Albion Post Office 8 S Main St Albion, NY 14411 | Medina Post Office 128 W Center St Medina, NY 14103 |
| Orleans County Clerk's Office 3 South Main St, Suite 1 Courthouse Square Albion, NY 14411 | |