

# FORGESOLAR GLARE ANALYSIS

Project: Mulnite Solar

Solar project in East Windsor CT

Site configuration: Mulnite Solar

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# **U.S. FAA 2013 Policy Adherence**

The following table summarizes the policy adherence of the glare analysis based on the 2013 U.S. Federal Aviation Administration Interim Policy 78 FR 63276. This policy requires the following criteria be met for solar energy systems on airport property:

- No "yellow" glare (potential for after-image) for any flight path from threshold to 2 miles
- No glare of any kind for Air Traffic Control Tower(s) ("ATCT") at cab height.
- · Default analysis and observer characteristics (see list below)

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COMPONENT	STATUS	DESCRIPTION
Analysis parameters	PASS	Analysis time interval and eye characteristics used are acceptable
2-mile flight path(s)	PASS	Flight path receptor(s) do not receive yellow glare
ATCT(s)	PASS	Receptor(s) marked as ATCT do not receive glare

Default glare analysis parameters and observer eye characteristics (for reference only):

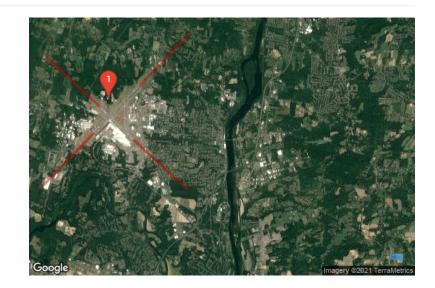
- · Analysis time interval: 1 minute
- Ocular transmission coefficient: 0.5
- Pupil diameter: 0.002 meters
- Eye focal length: 0.017 meters
- Sun subtended angle: 9.3 milliradians

FAA Policy 78 FR 63276 can be read at https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2013-24729

# SITE CONFIGURATION

### **Analysis Parameters**

DNI: peaks at 1,000.0 W/m<sup>2</sup> Time interval: 1 min Ocular transmission coefficient: 0.5 Pupil diameter: 0.002 m Eye focal length: 0.017 m Sun subtended angle: 9.3 mrad Site Config ID: 49497.8859



### PV Array(s)

Name: PV array 1 Axis tracking: Fixed (no rotation) Tilt: 30.0° Orientation: 180.0° Rated power: -Panel material: Smooth glass without AR coating Reflectivity: Vary with sun Slope error: correlate with material



Vertex	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Ground elevation (ft)	Height above ground (ft)	Total elevation (ft)
1	41.883662	-72.532059	206.74	0.00	206.74
2	41.881633	-72.531995	211.92	0.00	211.92
3	41.881617	-72.532746	212.15	0.00	212.15
4	41.882304	-72.532768	210.85	0.00	210.85
5	41.882240	-72.537875	209.79	0.00	209.79
6	41.883662	-72.537875	208.91	0.00	208.91

#### Flight Path Receptor(s)

Name: FP 1					
Description:					
Threshold height: 50 ft					
Direction: 312.4°					
Glide slope: 3.0°					
Pilot view restricted? Yes					
Vertical view: 30.0°					
Azimuthal view: 50.0°					



Point	Latitude (°) Longitude (°)		Ground elevation (ft)	Height above ground (ft)	Total elevation (ft)
Threshold	41.929304	-72.675270	167.19	50.00	217.19
Two-mile	41.909812	-72.646533	213.67	556.98	770.65





Point	Latitude (°) Longitude (°)		Ground elevation (ft)	Height above ground (ft)	Total elevation (ft)	
Threshold	41.931986	-72.696513	171.51	50.00	221.52	
Two-mile	41.911160	-72.723503	178.82	596.15	774.97	

#### Name: FP 3 Description: Threshold height: 50 ft Direction: 133.0° Glide slope: 3.0° Pilot view restricted? Yes Vertical view: 30.0° Azimuthal view: 50.0°



Point	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Ground elevation (ft)	Height above ground (ft)	Total elevation (ft)
Threshold	41.942350	-72.693193	166.79	50.00	216.79
Two-mile	41.962076	-72.721645	203.19	567.06	770.25

Description: Threshold height: 50 ft Direction: 223.9° Glide slope: 3.0° Pilot view restricted? Yes					VE AL
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Point	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Google Ground elevation (ft)	bus, Maxar Technologies, U.S. Geological Sur Height above ground (ft)	
<b>Point</b> Threshold	Latitude (°) 41.950647	Longitude (°) -72.672135			ان اسب البین wey, USDA Farm Service Age Total elevation (ff 208.62

### **Discrete Observation Receptors**

Name	ID	Latitude (°)	Longitude (°)	Elevation (ft)	Height (ft)
1-ATCT	1	41.945616	-72.688630	157.81	0.00

Map image of 1-ATCT



# **GLARE ANALYSIS RESULTS**

# Summary of Glare

PV Array Name	Tilt	Orient	"Green" Glare	"Yellow" Glare	Energy
	(°)	(°)	min	min	kWh
PV array 1	30.0	180.0	0	0	-

Total annual glare received by each receptor

Receptor	Annual Green Glare (min)	Annual Yellow Glare (min)
FP 1	0	0
FP 2	0	0
FP 3	0	0
FP 4	0	0
1-ATCT	0	0

### **Results for: PV array 1**

Receptor	Green Glare (min)	Yellow Glare (min)
FP 1	0	0
FP 2	0	0
FP 3	0	0
FP 4	0	0
1-ATCT	0	0

#### Flight Path: FP 1

0 minutes of yellow glare 0 minutes of green glare

#### Flight Path: FP 2

0 minutes of yellow glare 0 minutes of green glare

#### Flight Path: FP 3

0 minutes of yellow glare 0 minutes of green glare

### Flight Path: FP 4

0 minutes of yellow glare 0 minutes of green glare

### **Point Receptor: 1-ATCT**

0 minutes of yellow glare 0 minutes of green glare

## Assumptions

"Green" glare is glare with low potential to cause an after-image (flash blindness) when observed prior to a typical blink response time. "Yellow" glare is glare with potential to cause an after-image (flash blindness) when observed prior to a typical blink response time. Times associated with glare are denoted in Standard time. For Daylight Savings, add one hour.

Glare analyses do not account for physical obstructions between reflectors and receptors. This includes buildings, tree cover and geographic obstructions.

Several calculations utilize the PV array centroid, rather than the actual glare spot location, due to algorithm limitations. This may affect results for large PV footprints. Additional analyses of array sub-sections can provide additional information on expected glare.

The subtended source angle (glare spot size) is constrained by the PV array footprint size. Partitioning large arrays into smaller sections will reduce the maximum potential subtended angle, potentially impacting results if actual glare spots are larger than the sub-array size. Additional analyses of the combined area of adjacent sub-arrays can provide more information on potential glare hazards. (See previous point on related limitations.)

Glare locations displayed on receptor plots are approximate. Actual glare-spot locations may differ.

Glare vector plots are simplified representations of analysis data. Actual glare emanations and results may differ.

The glare hazard determination relies on several approximations including observer eye characteristics, angle of view, and typical blink response time. Actual results and glare occurrence may differ.

Hazard zone boundaries shown in the Glare Hazard plot are an approximation and visual aid based on aggregated research data. Actual ocular impact outcomes encompass a continuous, not discrete, spectrum.

Refer to the Help page at www.forgesolar.com/help/ for assumptions and limitations not listed here.

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