

Exhibit F

NDDB Determination



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Subject: Borrelli Solar

We have received the materials that you submitted pursuant to a Natural Diversity Data Base review request for the project referenced above, however, additional information is required in order to make a determination.

Sand blackberry (*Rubus cuneifolius*) – State Special Concern

- In order to complete your request and to prevent impacts to State-listed species, field surveys of the site should be performed by a qualified botanist with the appropriate scientific collecting permits at a time when these target species is identifiable. A report summarizing the results of such surveys should include:

- The site survey report should be sent to our CT DEEP-NDDDB Program (deep.nddbrequest@ct.gov) for further review by our program biologists. Incomplete reports may not be accepted.

If you do not intend to do site surveys to determine the presence or absence of state-listed species, then you should presume species are present and let us know how you will protect the state-listed species from being

impacted by this project. Please be sure these protection plans are developed by a taxonomic expert (botanist) familiar with Connecticut plants. After reviewing your new NDDDB request form and the documents describing how you will protect these species from project impacts we will make a final determination and provide you with a letter from our program.

Please reference the filing number 98550 on all correspondence regarding this request.

The necessary materials should be sent to:

Robin Blum
CT DEEP Bureau of Natural Resources
Wildlife Division
Natural Diversity Database
79 Elm Street, 6th floor
Hartford, CT 06106-5127
or submitted via email to: Robin.Blum@ct.gov

Please note that if the necessary information is not received by 09/31/2024, we will be unable to provide a determination. Materials already submitted will not be retained or returned. You will need to initiate a new review request by submitting a new and complete *Request for Natural Diversity Database (NDDDB) State Listed Species Review* via [DEEP's ezFile Portal](#). For more information and guidance on submitting a request for a Natural Diversity Data Base review visit our [website](#). Feel free to contact me if you have further questions.

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