



State of Connecticut

# Environmental Review Checklist

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## Instructions for Use:

The Environmental Review Checklist (ERC), as defined in Sec. 22a-1a-1(9) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA), is intended to assist state agencies in (1) determining whether a proposed action or category of actions requires public scoping, or (2) in recording an agency's initial assessment of the direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental effects of a proposed action at the completion of public scoping.

For the purposes of CEPA, an Action is defined in Sec 22a-1a-1(2) of the RCSA as an individual activity or a sequence of planned activities initiated or proposed to be undertaken by an agency or agencies, or funded in whole or in part by the state.

Completion of the ERC is only *required* as part of a sponsoring agency's post-scoping notice in which the agency has determined that it will not be preparing an EIE (Sec. 22a-1a-7(d) of the RCSA).

In all other instances, the sponsoring agency has the option to use this form or portions of it, in conjunction with the applicable Environmental Classification Document (ECD), as a tool to assist it in determining whether or not scoping is required and to document the agency's review. This can be especially useful for an agency administering a proposed action that is not specifically represented in the ECD or which may have additional factors and/or indirect or cumulative impacts requiring further consideration.

Even if an agency ultimately determines that public scoping is not necessary, as a matter of public record OPM highly recommends that the agency internally document its decision, and its justification.

In completing this form, include descriptions that are clear, concise, and understandable to the general public.

Note that prior to reviewing a proposed action under the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA), Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), Section 16a-31 requires agencies to review any proposed actions for the acquisition, development or improvement of real properties, or the acquisition of public transportation equipment or facilities, and in excess of \$200,000, for consistency with the policies of the State Plan of Conservation and Development (State C&D Plan).



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## PART I – Initial Review and Determination

Date:	06/15/2023
Name of Project/Action:	Kensington State Fish Hatchery Solar Project
Project Address(es):	120 Old Hatchery Road, Berlin, CT 06037
Affected Municipalities:	Berlin
Sponsoring Agency(ies):	Department of Administrative Services (DAS)
Agency Project Number, if applicable:	Enter text.
Project Funding Source(s)/Program(s), if known:	Funded through Connecticut Green Bank via a power purchase agreement
Identify the Environmental Classification Document (ECD) being used in this review:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Generic, or <input type="checkbox"/> Agency-Specific	
<input type="checkbox"/> An environmental assessment or environmental impact statement is being prepared pursuant to <u>NEPA</u> , and shall be circulated in accordance with CEPA requirements.	
<input type="checkbox"/> The proposed action requires a written review by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and/or Nation Tribal Historic Preservation Office (NATHPO). Include SHPO/NATHPO reviews as an attachment, or indicate the status of those reviews:	

Based on the analysis documented in this Environmental Review Checklist (ERC), and in consideration of public comments, this agency has determined that the preparation of an Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) for the proposed action is not warranted. Publication of this document to the Environmental Monitor shall satisfy the agency's responsibilities under [Section 22a-1a-7 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies](#) (RCSA).

Completed by: Michael Barrera, DAS Senior Policy Advisor

*Note that prior to commencing a CEPA review, Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) Section 16a-31 requires state agencies to review certain actions for their consistency with the policies of the State Plan of Conservation and Development (State C&D Plan). Completion of this ERC assumes the agency has determined this proposed action to be consistent with the State C&D Plan.*

## **PART II – Detailed Project Information**

### **Description of the Purpose & Need of the Proposed Action:**

The State of Connecticut has three state policy goals aimed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and deploy new solar capacity annually for the next 10 years.

### **Description of the Proposed Action:**

Deployment of roughly 124 kW of solar power located at the DEEP Kensington Fish Hatchery facility will help contribute to the state policy initiatives.

### **Alternatives Considered:**

None

### **Public concerns or controversy associated with the proposed action:**

No known concerns from the Public.

**PART III – Site Characteristics (Check all that apply)**

- The proposed action is non-site specific, or encompasses multiple sites;
- Current site ownership:  N/A,  State;  Municipal,  Private,  
 Other: Please Explain.
- Anticipated ownership upon project completion:  N/A,  State;  Municipal,  Private,  
 Other: Site will remain under state ownership, the solar array will be privately owned

**Locational Guide Map Criteria:**

<http://ctmaps.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=ba47efccdb304e02893b7b8e8cff556a>

**Priority Funding Area factors:**

- Designated as a Priority Funding Area, including  Balanced, or  Village PFA;
- Urban Area or Urban Cluster, as designated by the most recent US Census Data;
- Public Transit, defined as being within a ½ mile buffer surrounding existing or planned mass transit;
- Existing or planned sewer service from an adopted Wastewater Facility Plan;
- Existing or planned water service from an adopted Public Drinking Water Supply Plan;
- Existing local bus service provided 7 days a week.

**Conservation Area factors:**

- Core Forest Area(s), defined as greater than 250 acres based on the 2006 Land Cover Dataset;
- Existing or potential drinking water supply watershed(s);
- Aquifer Protection Area(s);
- Wetland Soils greater than 25 acres;
- Undeveloped Prime, Statewide Important and/or locally important agricultural soils greater than 25 acres;
- Category 1, 2, or 3 Hurricane Inundation Zone(s);
- 100 year Flood Zone(s);
- Critical Habitat;
- Locally Important Conservation Area(s),
- Protected Land (list type): Enter text.
- Local, State, or National Historic District(s).

**PART IV - Assessment of Environmental Significance – Direct, Indirect, And Cumulative Effects**

<b>Required Factors for Consideration (Section 22a-1a-3 of the RCSA)</b>	<b>Agency’s Assessment and Explanation</b>
Effect on water quality, including surface water and groundwater;	No significant impacts.
Effect on a public water supply system;	No significant impacts.
Effect on flooding, in-stream flows, erosion or sedimentation;	No significant impacts. Erosion and sedimentation control measures to be implemented during and after construction.
Disruption or alteration of an historic, archeological, cultural, or recreational building, object, district, site or its surroundings; A. Alteration of an historic building, district, structure, object, or its setting; OR B. Disruption of an archeological or sacred site;	No significant impacts.
Effect on natural communities and upon critical plant and animal species and their habitat; interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species;	No significant impacts. The project will follow the recommendations provided by DEEP’s Wildlife Division in the Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDDB) determination letter dated 06/02/2023.
Use of pesticides, toxic or hazardous materials or any other substance in such quantities as to cause unreasonable adverse effects on the environment;	No significant impacts.
Substantial aesthetic or visual effects;	No significant impacts.
Inconsistency with: (A) the policies of the State C&D Plan, developed in accordance with section 16a-30 of the CGS; (B) other relevant state agency plans; and (C) applicable	No significant impacts.

regional or municipal land use plans;	
Disruption or division of an established community or inconsistency with adopted municipal and regional plans, including impacts on existing housing where sections 22a- 1b(c) and 8-37t of the CGS require additional analysis;	No significant impacts.
Displacement or addition of substantial numbers of people;	No significant impacts.
Substantial increase in congestion (traffic, recreational, other);	No significant impacts.
A substantial increase in the type or rate of energy use as a direct or indirect result of the action;	This project will increase solar energy production to assist the state in meeting its goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and deploy new solar capacity. No increase in energy consumption is anticipated.
The creation of a hazard to human health or safety;	No significant impacts.
Effect on air quality;	No significant impacts.
Effect on ambient noise levels;	No significant impacts.
Effect on existing land resources and landscapes, including coastal and inland wetlands;	No direct wetland impacts to onsite wetlands. Measures to be implemented during and after construction to prevent any indirect impacts downstream.
Effect on agricultural resources;	No significant impacts.
Adequacy of existing or proposed utilities and infrastructure;	Yes. Existing utilities available for use of project.
Effect on greenhouse gas emissions as a direct or indirect result of the action;	Direct impact on reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
Effect of a changing climate on the action, including any resiliency measures incorporated into the action;	No significant impacts.

Any other substantial effects on natural, cultural, recreational, or scenic resources.	No significant impacts.
Cumulative effects.	No significant impacts.

## PART V - List of Required Permits, Approvals and/or Certifications Identified at the Time of this Review

**CEPA, DAS construction permit**

## PART VI – Sponsoring Agency Comments and Recommendations

Based on public comments and review of the project, DAS has identified no significant impacts requiring further assessment. DAS therefore determines that an Environmental Impact Evaluation is not necessary.

## PART VII - Public Comments and Sponsoring Agency Responses:

The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) submitted comments dated 1/5/2022 (see attachment following this document). DEEP's comments are summarized below, along with DAS's responses:

**Renewable Energy** - DEEP's comments stated support for the project. No action required.

**Fisheries** - DEEP's comments stated support for the project. No action required.

**Wildlife** - DEEP noted that the required NDDDB determination has been issued. The NDDDB letter was issued on 07/15/2020 and updated on 6/2/2023. The letters do not identify any significant impacts with the proposed project but do provide broad recommendations based on species known to be nearby and which may occur in the project area. Those recommendations will be incorporated into the project as applicable. No further action is required.

**Stormwater** – DEEP's comments indicate that a Stormwater General Permit is required for sites where one or more acre are to be disturbed. The proposed solar array will only occupy an area approximately 2/3 of an acre and does not require filing with DEEP.

**Air Management** - All contractors will use every effort to utilize the newest equipment and vehicles to reduce emissions. On-site idling will be limited.

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**From:** Linda Brunza- Environmental Analyst

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**Date:** 1/5/2022

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**Subject:** Kensington Fish Hatchery Solar Project, Berlin

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Staff at the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) have reviewed the scoping notice for the proposed solar project at the DEEP owned Kensington State Fish Hatchery.

### **Renewable Energy**

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection supports the Kensington State Fish Hatchery Solar Project which involves the installment of a ground mounted PV system that consists of 288 solar panels with a capacity of approximately 124 kilowatts (kW). This will generate an estimated 163 MWh of zero carbon energy for the fish hatchery annually. This will help offset energy costs for the fish hatchery by reducing operating costs and saves money for the state and taxpayers.

The approval and deployment of the DOC solar project will reflect continued progress in reducing emissions from the state's electric supply and is in direct support of three Connecticut state policy goals: (1) Governor Lamont's Executive Order 1 (EO 1) which requires executive agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 45% below 2001 levels; (2) the newly-released Executive Order No. 21-3, which directs the state to deploy an average of 10,000 kW of new solar capacity annually for the next 10 years, primarily sited on state buildings or property; and (3) the state's overarching greenhouse gas emission reduction goals to reduce the level of economy wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions 45 percent below 2001 levels by 2030, and 80 percent below 2001 levels by 2050.

### **Fisheries**

The Kensington Fish Hatchery Supervisor and Fisheries Division support this solar project and the larger goal of one day having a "green" hatchery. This location was chosen because it is a large piece of open space property, no tree clearing is needed, and it will not have an impact on wetlands or watercourses.

### **Wildlife**

Natural Diversity Database (NDDDB) maps represent the approximate locations of species listed by the State, pursuant to section 26-306 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as endangered, threatened or of special concern. The maps are a pre-screening tool to identify potential impacts



to state listed species. The application was filed and the NDDDB Determination letter has been issued for this project from the DEEP Wildlife Division.

### **Stormwater During Construction**

Stormwater discharges from construction sites where one or more acres are to be disturbed, regardless of project phasing, are subject to the requirements of the *General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater and Dewatering Wastewaters Associated with Construction Activities* (DEEP-WPED-GP-015). For locally exempt projects disturbing one or more acres, a registration describing the site and the construction activity must be submitted to DEEP prior to the initiation of construction within timeframes specified in the general permit. A stormwater pollution control plan, including measures such as erosion and sediment controls and post construction stormwater management, must be prepared. A goal of eighty (80) percent removal of total suspended solids from the stormwater discharge shall be used in designing and installing post-construction stormwater management measures. The general permit also requires that post-construction control measures incorporate runoff reduction practices, such as LID techniques, to meet performance standards specified in the permit. For further information, contact the division at 860-424-3025. A copy of the general permit as well as registration forms may be downloaded at: [Construction Stormwater GP](#).

Please note that the [Stormwater General Permit for Construction](#) contains an appendix for solar development, Appendix I. This appendix should be utilized while designing the arrays to minimize grading, avoid wetland and buffer areas, and maximize vegetative growth.

DEEP staff noted there were no concerns in watershed management and that the sites are not in aquifer protection areas.

### **Air Management**

DEEP Bureau of Air Management typically recommends the use of newer off-road construction equipment that meets the latest EPA or California Air Resources Board (CARB) standards. If newer equipment cannot be used, equipment with the best available controls on diesel emissions including retrofitting with diesel oxidation catalysts or particulate filters in addition to the use of ultra-low sulfur fuel would be the second choice that can be effective in reducing exhaust emissions. The use of newer equipment that meets EPA standards would obviate the need for retrofits.

DEEP also recommends the use of newer on-road vehicles that meet either the latest EPA or California Air Resources Board (CARB) standards for construction projects. These on-road vehicles include dump trucks, fuel delivery trucks and other vehicles typically found at construction sites. On-road vehicles older than the 2007-model year typically should be retrofitted with diesel oxidation catalysts or diesel particulate filters for projects. Again, the use of newer vehicles that meet EPA standards would eliminate the need for retrofits.

Additionally, Section 22a-174-18(b)(3)(C) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) limits the idling of mobile sources to 3 minutes. This regulation applies to most vehicles such as trucks and other diesel engine-powered vehicles commonly used on construction sites. Adhering to the regulation will reduce unnecessary idling at truck staging zones, delivery or truck dumping areas and further reduce on-road and construction equipment emissions. Use of posted signs indicating the three-minute idling limit is recommended. It should be noted that only DEEP can enforce Section 22a-174-18(b)(3)(C) of the RCSA. Therefore, it is recommended that the

project sponsor include language similar to the anti-idling regulations in the contract specifications for construction in order to allow them to enforce idling restrictions at the project site without the involvement of DEEP.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. These comments are based on the reviews provided by relevant staff and offices within DEEP during the designated comment period and may not represent all applicable programs within DEEP. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning these comments.

cc: Andrew Hoskins/ DEEP  
Nicole Lugli/ DEEP

July 15, 2020

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**NDDB DETERMINATION NUMBER:** 202008061

**Project:** CT Green Bank Sun Power Solar Installation at CT DEEP Kensington Fish Hatchery Property Located at 120 Old Hatchery Road in Berlin, CT

**Expiration:** July 15, 2022

I have reviewed Natural Diversity Data Base (NDDB) maps and files regarding this project. According to our records, the following State-listed species (RCSA Sec. 26-306) are documented nearby and may occur in the project area.

- **Eastern box turtle (*Terrapene carolina carolina*)- State Special Concern**
- **Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) State Threatened**

*Construction Protection measures:*

Eastern box turtle:

In Connecticut, these turtles are found in well-drained forest bottomlands and a matrix of open deciduous forests, early successional habitat, fields, gravel pits, and or powerlines. Turtles are dormant between November 1 and April 1 and hibernate in only a few inches from the surface in forested habitat.

The greatest threat to this species is habitat loss, fragmentation, and degradation due to development. This species is very sensitive to adult mortality because of late maturity (10 years old) and long life span (50-100years). Vehicular traffic, heavy equipment used for farming, and ATV use in natural areas are implicated specifically in adult mortality through collisions. Illegal collection by the pet trade and unknowing public for home pets exacerbates mortality rates and removes important individuals from the population.

- Protect box turtle from accidental crushing under heavy equipment.
  - If you are using heavy equipment when the species is active (April 1-Nov 1):
    - The crew be made aware of the species description and possible presence
    - The immediate area where heavy equipment will be used each day should be searched for turtles before starting work
    - Any turtles found should be moved out of the way, just outside of the work area. This animal is protected by law and should never be taken off site.
    - Work conducted during the early morning and evening hours should occur with special care not to harm basking or foraging individuals

Bald Eagle:

Bald Eagles are currently listed as a state threatened species as well as protected under both the Federal Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. It is illegal pursuant to section 26-93 of the Connecticut General Statutes to disturb Bald eagles. These laws prohibit disturbing the birds while they are roosting, feeding, or nesting. The wildlife division recommends a 660' setback with no public access from a bald eagle nest or critical roosting site. To determine if nest in your area is active and if your activities will impact the nest at the time of your construction, contact the DEEP Wildlife Biologist coordinating eagle monitoring ([Brian.hess@ct.gov](mailto:Brian.hess@ct.gov)).

Between Feb 1- July 31:

1. Work activities and staging areas are prohibited within 330 feet (approximately 100 meters) of active nests that are out of line of sight, or within 660 feet (approximately 200 meters) from nests that are in the line of sight during periods of eagle use, unless surveys demonstrate that the nest or roost is not being used.
2. Minimize cutting of large trees. No known bald eagle nest trees, perch trees, or roost trees will be felled or modified.

The work area boundary delimited in the plans is more than 660' away from the nest location, and I do not anticipate that activities within this area will affect the nest.

*Site Design Protection Measures:*

This facility will be built in a field that supports multiple state listed bird species. If planned properly, you can minimize the impacts of habitat loss from your development.

- **Create a site management plan to promote native vegetation growth in the area under the solar panels.** Restoring native vegetation that will attract pollinators and avoid the need for constant mowing will benefit state listed species at this site.

This is determination is valid for two years.

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Natural Diversity Data Base information includes all information regarding critical biological resources available to us at the time of the request. This information is a compilation of data collected over the years by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's Bureau of Natural Resources and cooperating units of DEEP, independent conservation groups, and the scientific community. This information is not necessarily the result of comprehensive or site-specific field investigations. Consultations with the NDDDB should not be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. Current research projects and new contributors continue to identify additional populations of species and locations of habitats of concern, as well as, enhance existing data. Such new information is incorporated in the NDDDB as it becomes available.

Please contact me if you have any questions ([shannon.kearney@ct.gov](mailto:shannon.kearney@ct.gov)). Thank you for consulting with the Natural Diversity Data Base and continuing to work with us to protect State-listed species.

Sincerely,

/s/ Shannon B. Kearney  
Wildlife Biologist

CC: Evan Mazzaglia (Sunpower Corporation)



6/2/2023

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Subject: Kensington Fish Hatchery  
Filing #: 98185  
NDDB - New Determination Number: 202304699

Expiration Date: 6/2/2025

Location: Kensington Fish Hatchery, 120 Old Hatchery Rd, Berling, CT

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Your submission information indicates that your project requires a state permit, license, registration, or authorization, or utilizes state funding or involves state agency action. This NDDDB - New determination may be utilized to fulfill the Endangered and Threatened Species requirements for state-issued permit applications, licenses, registration submissions, and authorizations.

Please be aware of the following limitations and conditions:

Natural Diversity Database information includes all information regarding listed species available to us at the time of the request. This information is a compilation of data collected over the years by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's Natural History Survey and cooperating units of DEEP, land owners, private conservation groups and the scientific community. This information is not necessarily the result of

comprehensive or site-specific field investigations. Current research projects and new contributors continue to identify additional populations of species and locations of habitats of concern, as well as enhance existing data. Such new information is incorporated into the Database and accessed through the ezFile portal as it becomes available. New information may result in additional review, and new or modified restrictions or conditions may be necessary to remain in compliance with certain state permits.

- During your work listed species may be encountered on site. A report must be submitted by the observer to the Natural Diversity Database promptly and additional review and restrictions or conditions may be necessary to remain in compliance with certain state permits. Please fill out the [appropriate survey form](#) and follow the instructions for submittal.
- Your project involves the state permit application process or other state involvement, including state funding or state agency actions; please note that consultations with your permit analyst or the agency may result in additional requirements. In this situation, additional evaluation of the proposal by the DEEP Wildlife Division may be necessary and additional information, including but not limited to species-specific site surveys, may be required. Any additional review may result in specific restrictions or conditions relating to listed species that may be found at or in the vicinity of the site.
- If your project involves preparing an Environmental Impact Assessment, this NDDDB consultation and determination should not be substituted for biological field surveys assessing on-site habitat and species presence.
- The NDDDB - New determination for the Kensington Fish Hatchery as described in the submitted information and summarized at the end of this document is valid until 6/2/2025. This determination applies only to the project as described in the submission and summarized at the end of this letter. Please re-submit an updated Request for Review if the project's scope of work and/or timeframe changes, including if work has not begun by 6/2/2025.

If you have further questions, please contact me at the following:

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Please reference the Determination Number 202304699 when you e-mail or write. Thank you for consulting the Natural Diversity Data Base.

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Application Details:

Project involves federal funds or federal permit:	No
Project involves state funds, state agency action, or relates to CEPA request:	Yes
Project requires state permit, license, registration, or authorization:	Yes
DEEP enforcement action related to project:	
Project Type:	Energy and Utility Production Facilities and Distribution Infrastructure
Project Sub-type:	Solar Energy
Project Name:	Kensington Fish Hatchery
Project Description:	