

# **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM PLAN**

## **East Point Energy Center Schoharie County, New York**

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## List of Acronyms

ACENY	Alliance for Clean Energy New York, Inc.
CES	Clean Energy Standard
DMM	Document and Matter Management
DOE	Department of Energy
DPS	Department of Public Service
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
GIS	Geographic information system
MW	megawatt
NYSDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
NYSEG	New York State Electric and Gas Corporation
NYSERDA	New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
O&M	operations and maintenance
PIP Plan	Public Involvement Program Plan
POC	point of contact
POI	point of interconnection
Project	East Point Energy Center
Project Area	locations being evaluated for placement of permanent Project facilities, including the proposed collection substation and interconnection facilities
PSL	Public Service Law
PSS	Preliminary Scoping Statement
SEP	2015 New York State Energy Plan
Siting Board	New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment
Study Area	all areas within at least two (2) miles of the current planned location of Project generating facility components, interconnections and related facilities

## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

East Point Energy Center, LLC, wholly owned by North Park Energy, LLC, which is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC. (“East Point Energy Center”) plans to submit an application to construct a major electric generating facility, the East Point Energy Center, under Article 10 of the Public Service Law (PSL). Pursuant to the rules of the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (Siting Board), applicants proposing to submit an application to construct a major electric generating facility under Article 10 must submit a Public Involvement Program Plan (PIP Plan). The PIP Plan must be submitted to the Department of Public Service (DPS) for review at least 150 days prior to filing a Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS). This document is the PIP Plan for the East Point Energy Center (the Project), a solar energy facility described in Section 2.

As required by 16 NYCRR § 1000.4, this PIP Plan includes the following elements:

- 1) consultation with the affected agencies and other stakeholders;
- 2) pre-application activities to encourage stakeholders to participate at the earliest opportunity;
- 3) activities designed to educate the public as to the specific proposal and the Article 10 review process, including the availability of funding for municipal and local parties;
- 4) the establishment of a website to disseminate information to the public;
- 5) notifications; and
- 6) activities designed to encourage participation by stakeholders in the certification and compliance process.

## **2.0 APPLICANT AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

### **2.1 Company Profile**

East Point Energy Center, LLC is wholly owned by North Park Energy, LLC, which is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of NextEra Energy Resources, LLC (NextEra Energy Resources). NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, is the competitive energy subsidiary of NextEra Energy, Inc., a Fortune 200 company and the world's largest generator of renewable energy from the wind and sun. NextEra Energy Resources is primarily a wholesale power generator, operating power plants and selling the output to utilities, retail electricity providers, power cooperatives, municipal electric providers and large industrial companies. Nationally recognized as a leading clean energy provider, NextEra Energy Resources has a portfolio of facilities, totaling more than 19,882

megawatts of generating capacity in the United States and Canada. More than 95 percent of our electricity is derived from clean or renewable sources, including wind, solar, natural gas and nuclear energy.

The East Point Energy Center would be compatible with the New York State policies promoting renewable energy goals, including the 2015 New York State Energy Plan (SEP), and the Clean Energy Standard (CES) which proposes to achieve 50 percent of the State's electricity to be generated by renewables by 2030 (50 by 30 goal).

East Point Energy Center, LLC intends to construct, own, operate, and maintain all components of the Project, with the exception of the interconnection switchyard. The switchyard facility will be constructed by East Point Energy Center, and then transferred to National Grid, which will own, operate, and maintain the switchyard.

## **2.2 Project Summary**

East Point Energy Center is planning the Project to have a maximum generating capability of 50 megawatts (MW) of power located on land leased from owners of private property located in the Town of Sharon, Schoharie County, New York (Figure 1).

Project facilities will include commercial-scale solar arrays, access roads, buried (and possibly overhead) electric collection lines, and electrical interconnection facilities. East Point Energy Center anticipates the interconnection facilities will include a 69-kV switchyard, which, as noted above, will be transferred to National Grid to own and operate. The proposed collection substation and interconnection facilities will be located on land east of the solar arrays within the Project Area, adjacent to National Grid's existing Sharon – Marshville 69 kV transmission line, immediately adjacent to the existing Sharon substation. With the entire Project subject to Article 10, the outreach activities described in this PIP Plan will address both the interconnection facilities and the solar energy facility.

In addition, the Project may also include an Energy Storage System which will be comprised of lithium-ion battery cells enclosed in modules, stacked in racks, installed within an ISO-rated container and fixed onto concrete foundation pad/piers. Each rack will connect to a battery management system which will communicate and actively manage the performance and safety metrics of each module. The Energy Storage System will charge exclusively off the solar array and also share inverters and a common generator step up transformer. The outreach activities

described in this PIP Plan will also address the Energy Storage System, in the event this option is included in the final Project design.

The proposed Project will have positive socioeconomic impacts in the Project Area and beyond through employment opportunities, specifically by generating temporary construction employment. Based on similar Project experience elsewhere, East Point Energy Center estimates that approximately 125-175 temporary construction jobs (peak) will be generated during the approximate 8 months of construction. The majority of the temporary construction employment will likely be drawn from the Schoharie County labor market. Local construction employment will primarily benefit those in the construction trades, including equipment operators, truck drivers, laborers, and electricians. East Point Energy Center encourages local hiring to the greatest extent possible and workers from outside the area who fill specialized job functions will add to the regional economy by staying in area hotels, eating in the local restaurants and shopping in Schoharie County stores. The operation of the facility will require two to three permanent local employment positions.

### **2.3 Project Area and Study Area**

Figures 1-3 show the regional Project location, the Project Area and the preliminary Study Area to be used for analysis. For purposes of this document, East Point Energy Center is defining these areas as follows:

- The Project Area is comprised of the locations being evaluated for placement of permanent Project facilities, including the proposed collection substation and interconnection facilities. As shown in Figure 2, the Project Area includes approximately 783 acres of land.
- Consistent with 16 NYCRR § 1000.2(ar), the Study Area (as shown in Figure 3) is all areas within at least two (2) miles of the current planned location of Project generating facility components, interconnections and related facilities and includes approximately 17,346 acres of land (inclusive of the 783 acre Project Area).

The Project Area and Study Area are based on preliminary estimates of where facilities could be located. The PSS and Application will further define the Study Area.

### **3.0 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

#### **3.1 PIP Plan Goals**

East Point Energy Center developed this PIP Plan to ensure that comments of individuals and groups with a potential interest in the Project are objectively considered in the Project design and review. Specific PIP Plan goals are to:

- Identify groups and individuals with a potential interest in the Project, i.e., “stakeholders;”
- Ensure stakeholders are aware of the Project;
- Ensure stakeholders can access information on the Project and the Article 10 review process in a relatively convenient manner;
- Engage stakeholders to understand their interests related to the Project and seek input as to how to best address their interests and concerns as the Project moves forward;
- Gather specific information from stakeholders that can be used to design objective and useful studies to be defined in the PSS and included in a complete Application for the Project.

#### **3.2 PIP Plan Schedule**

East Point Energy Center will begin conducting PIP Plan activities during the pre-application phase, and these public involvement activities will continue throughout the Article 10 process until the Project begins commercial operation. Additional outreach to host landowners and municipal officials will take place during decommissioning activities. Specific PIP Plan activities and their schedules are discussed in Section 5.

### **4.0 STAKEHOLDERS**

East Point Energy Center has identified several categories of stakeholders. Overall, East Point Energy Center relied on its experience in developing other projects and the knowledge of its local representatives to identify potential stakeholders. The identification of stakeholders was based on DPS guidance, conducting internet research, site visits to the Project Area and Study Area, review of GIS records, tax records, and consultation with environmental/regulatory counsel.

Descriptions of stakeholder categories are located in the following sections below, and Appendix A contains the preliminary Project stakeholder list and the current known contact information for each stakeholder. A mailing list will be developed based on the stakeholders listed below and



addresses solicited from public meetings and the Project website. The Applicant anticipates that the mailing list will be updated as necessary based on information received during PIP Plan activities and these updates will be provided to DPS along with the PIP Plan tracking submissions.

Project outreach materials will contain instructions on how to be added to the stakeholder list. Individuals or organizations will be able to be added to the stakeholder list by calling a Project representative, mailing a letter to a Project representative, or by sending an email to East Point Energy Center through the Project website.

#### **4.1 Host Community**

For the purposes of this PIP Plan, host community refers to the municipality that includes the Project Area and are anticipated to include Project components. Town boards representing the host community within the Project Area were identified by review of town and county boundary maps and are considered stakeholders. Points of contact (POC) will be the Town Supervisor and the Town Clerk. Notices will be addressed to the full Town Board, care of the POC and the appropriate Clerk, with language clearly stating the expectation that the notices and information should be distributed to the full board.

#### **4.2 County Agencies**

County agencies, with areas of responsibility potentially affected by the Project, were identified by review of the county websites, calls to county personnel, and/or county GIS data. Note that the County Emergency Response Coordinator and Sheriff are identified as stakeholders and are listed under the category of “Emergency Responders.”

#### **4.3 State Agencies**

Departments of New York State governments were identified using East Point Energy Center’s experience in developing utility projects in the region, as well as those agencies specifically identified in 16 NYCRR § 1000.5 and 1000.6.

#### **4.4 Federal Agencies**

Agencies of the U.S. government were identified using East Point Energy Center’s experience in developing projects in the United States, review of previous PIP Plan submittals, and DPS guidance.

#### **4.5 Legislative Representatives**

Offices of the New York State Legislature, the U.S. Senate, and U.S. Congress representing the Study Area were identified by review of on-line district maps.

#### **4.6 Highway Departments**

County and town departments responsible for managing roads in the Study Area were identified by review of town and county boundary maps, and online research.

#### **4.7 Schools**

School districts serving parcels in the Study Area and school districts adjacent to these districts were identified by review of county tax maps and online research.

#### **4.8 Emergency Responders**

Fire departments, emergency responders and police or sheriff departments serving parcels in the Study Area were identified by review of county tax maps and online research.

#### **4.9 Adjacent Municipalities**

Towns, villages, or other municipalities that are not host communities but are in the Study Area were identified by review of municipal boundary maps and GIS mapping.

#### **4.10 Utilities**

Companies that own gas, electric, or communications infrastructure in the Project Area were identified by available local and state geographic information databases (e.g., Ventyx), online research, and previous PIP Plan submittals. Utility companies will be contacted concerning location of facilities, design standards for construction near existing infrastructure, facility design and safety considerations.

#### **4.11 Public Interest Groups**

Organizations that serve interests of the public in the Study Area were identified from the 2017 list of county officials that includes county and town historians, and online research. This

category includes business organizations, county and town historians, conservation or environmental organizations, and organized groups focused on use of the Project Area for outdoor recreation.

#### **4.12 Airports and Heliports**

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) evaluates potential impacts on air navigation for proposed structures that exceed certain criteria, such as heights greater than 200 feet above ground level and in close proximity to public use and military airports (14 CFR §77.9(a-e)). The proposed Facility will not trigger notification to the FAA.

#### **4.13 Participating Landowners**

The property owners that have entered into lease, easement, purchase option, or setback agreements with East Point Energy Center will allow construction of Project facilities on their property are considered “participating landowners”.

East Point Energy Center’s private contracts with landowners contain provisions for East Point Energy Center and landowners to work together on Project plans. These consultations are confidential discussions outside the scope of this PIP Plan. In addition to confidential communications with East Point Energy Center, participating landowners living in the Project Area will be notified of Project milestones and events in the same manner as all residents of the Project Area. Participating landowners will be included in mailings, outreach activities and notifications that are provided to the stakeholders identified in this PIP Plan and as the Project progresses. However, for privacy purposes, the stakeholder list may include addresses or parcel numbers rather than landowner identification.

#### **4.14 Adjacent Landowners**

Owners of properties that abut Project facilities, but who are not participating landowners, are considered “adjacent landowners.” Specifically, “adjacent landowners” are those landowners within 2,500 feet of a proposed solar collector array, or proposed switchyard, or within 500 feet of other Project components (e.g., collection lines, point of interconnection [POI], operations and maintenance [O&M] facility, energy storage system, etc.). Although the Project layout will continue to evolve throughout the preliminary scoping process and will not be considered final until the Article 10 process is completed, East Point Energy Center anticipates that the development of a Project layout will be substantially complete and available for discussion prior

to the submittal of the Application. Potential adjacent landowners will be identified based on the preliminary Project layout and notified via mail. As the Project layout evolves, some stakeholders identified as adjacent landowners may recede while others may be added in response to changes in land acquisition and facilities siting. While all Study Area residents will be initially notified and have the opportunity to join the stakeholders list (see 4.15 below) once a Project layout is developed, East Point Energy Center will identify these adjacent landowners by review of tax records and will add the adjacent owners individually to the stakeholder list. These owners will receive mailings or emails notifying them of Project milestones and events. Adjacent landowners will be included in mailings, outreach activities and notifications that are provided to the stakeholders identified in this PIP Plan and as the Project progresses. However, for privacy purposes, the stakeholder list may include addresses or parcel numbers rather than landowner identification

#### **4.15 Area Residents**

Residents of the Study Area who are not participating landowners or adjacent owners are included in the stakeholder list as one group. East Point Energy Center plans to notify these residents of the Project individually by mailing an informational flyer announcing the open house and providing general Project information to all unique addresses in the voting rolls for the Study Area. At the open house attendees will be encouraged to join the stakeholder list if they wish to continue to receive notice of future Project milestones (e.g., availability of the PSS, public hearing, etc.). After the open house, East Point Energy Center does not plan additional broad mailings to area residents that do not register as stakeholders. East Point Energy will consider providing notice to all residents within the Study Area in the event additional outreach activities are undertaken such as an additional open house. But these residents would still likely hear more of the Project through public outreach activities, notices in area newspapers, and updates on the Project website.

### **5.0 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM ELEMENTS**

The overall objective of the PIP Plan, which is inherent in each of the following elements, is to engage with all stakeholders in order to understand their varied interests and concerns as they relate to the Project, to seek their input and to gather specific, objective information that can be utilized to inform the detailed study plans that will make up the PSS, and to explain methods East Point Energy Center will use to keep stakeholders informed throughout the entire Article 10 process. To that end, the PIP Plan will involve the program elements outlined in the sections below.

## **5.1 PIP Plan Activities, Schedule, and Goals**

Appendix B lists the PIP Plan activities East Point Energy Center plans to conduct, and the schedule and goals for each activity. Public involvement activities will be conducted throughout the Article 10 process, including post PSS phases and Application submittal. Materials to encourage public involvement throughout the Article 10 process such as fact sheets covering topics listed in Section 5.5 below, newsletters, and an open house event are currently being prepared, and will be available on the Project website. Throughout each stage of the Article 10 process, East Point Energy Center will actively engage stakeholders through stakeholder mailings and emails as necessary to keep the public informed and involved.

## **5.2 Consultation with Affected Agencies and other Stakeholders**

At any stakeholder meetings or conference calls, East Point Energy Center will be represented by one or more of the representatives identified in Section 5.4.1.

Each consultation meeting will include an overview of the proposed Project and the Article 10 review process. Additional topics covered during stakeholder consultations will vary depending on the stakeholder's role and potential impact. Examples of possible topics are the availability of funding for municipal and local parties, local laws, emergency response requirements, and potential environmental impacts. Stakeholder consultation meetings will be documented and summarized in the PIP Plan Tracking Report (as discussed in Section 5.8 below). The Tracking Report will also identify, as applicable and appropriate, concerns or questions raised by the public, as well as the Applicant's response.

As appropriate, East Point Energy Center will conduct subsequent meetings to answer specific questions, and to discuss studies, mitigation, or other strategies that could address stakeholder concerns. A key to these interactions, and a core of the PIP Plan, is receiving information from the stakeholders.

A schedule of initial consultations is provided in Appendix B.

### **5.2.1 Stakeholder Notifications**

East Point Energy Center will notify stakeholders of the following important Project milestones, except as discussed in Section 4.15 for area residents.

- Preliminary Scoping Statement (PSS) Submittal
- Open House
- Application Submittal
- Public Hearing(s)
- Siting Board Decision
- Commencement of Construction
- Commercial Operations Date

Stakeholder notifications will be made 14 or more days prior to each of these important Project milestones, by letter and email. In addition to the letters and emails providing notification to stakeholders, the Applicant will also publish the notice in the local newspapers, the Times-Journal and The Schoharie News. Additional information regarding the newspapers can be found in Section 5.7. Lastly, notifications will also be provided on the Project website. The website is discussed in more detail in Section 5.6 below.

### **5.2.2 Collection of Stakeholder Input**

For stakeholder groups, East Point Energy Center will identify and contact the group's POC to introduce the Project and offer to meet with the stakeholder group or POC. At stakeholder meetings East Point Energy Center will introduce NextEra Energy Resources, the Project, and the Article 10 review process, and East Point Energy Center will solicit specific feedback on issues that stakeholders want considered in the Project design or review. This feedback will be tracked in a comment log as discussed in Section 5.8 below.

Depending on the number of individual stakeholders, it may not be practical to contact each individually. Regardless, individual stakeholders will be notified of several opportunities to learn about the Project and submit input, including on the Project website.

### **5.2.3 Distribution of PSS and Application Documents to Stakeholders**

Stakeholders will be made aware (via mail and email) of PSS and Application availability on the Project website, the DPS website and at various public document repositories. East Point Energy Center does not intend to provide individual hard copies of these documents to stakeholders, except as required under 16 NYCRR § 1000.5 and 1000.6.

### **5.3 Pre-Application Activities to Encourage Stakeholders to Participate at the Earliest Opportunity**

#### **5.3.1 Town Board Meetings**

East Point Energy Center will arrange to present at a scheduled monthly board meeting of the Town of Sharon Town Board prior to the PSS filing. As part of the presentation, East Point Energy Center representatives will discuss the Project, and the Article 10 process, and respond to questions and receive input from the board and members of the public. East Point Energy Center representatives will be available to attend future town board meetings as requested by the Town Board. The above meetings and any future presentations at town board meetings will be documented in the PIP Plan tracking report.

#### **5.3.2 Open House**

East Point Energy Center will hold open house style public meetings prior to and following the PSS filing at a location that will strive to maximize coverage for the largest number of residents, likely to be held at two different times on the same day to help to offer the best opportunities for interested persons to attend. At least three representatives of East Point Energy Center's development team will be present at the meeting and East Point Energy will provide notice by email to DPS Staff of the pending public meetings. The meeting will feature a brief opening overview presentation by East Point Energy Center representatives, followed by a continually looping presentation and poster displays on the Project, solar energy, and the Article 10 review process (including intervenor funding availability and application process). One-on-one and small group informational discussions may take place throughout the duration of the open house, providing opportunities for attendees to gain information on the Project, have their questions addressed, and provide input to East Point Energy Center representatives. As part of the open house discussions, East Point Energy Center representatives will emphasize the role of stakeholders and encourage interested area residents to join the stakeholder list.

### **5.4 Project Contact Information**

#### **5.4.1 Local Access to Project Representatives**

The Project representative at this time is:

Mr. William Boer, TRC  
Address: 102 West State Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Ithaca, NY 14850  
Phone: 607.379.6183  
Email: [wboer@trcsolutions.com](mailto:wboer@trcsolutions.com)

Contact information for the representative(s) (including name, address and email) will be posted at the Town of Sharon Town Hall, in outreach materials and on the Project specific website (described below in Section 5.6). Additionally, this information will be made available at stakeholder consultations meetings and at the open house. At this stage in development, there will not be a local office.

#### **5.4.2 Toll Free Telephone Number**

East Point Energy Center will maintain a toll free telephone number that will include a connection to an automated voicemail. The phone number will be advertised on the Project website and in outreach materials and will be monitored for questions on the Project. East Point Energy Center will endeavor to respond to questions within two (2) business days of receipt. At this time, a toll free telephone number has not yet been established. Once the phone number has been created, East Point Energy Center will include it in outreach materials, post it on the Project website, and also notify the Department of Public Service so that the notification can be posted on the Department's Document and Matter Management (DMM) system.

#### **5.5 Activities Designed to Educate the Public on the Proposal, the Article 10 Review Process, and Funding**

Town Board meetings and the open house (as described above) provide multiple opportunities for East Point Energy Center to disseminate information to the public concerning Project specifics, the Article 10 process, and the availability of funding for municipal and local parties as well as receive information from the public. Educational materials will be available at all meetings including handouts on Project specifics and the public's role in the Article 10 process, including the intervenor fund, project contact information, an invitation to join the stakeholder list and the location of document repositories. All public meetings and written educational materials will also encourage interested parties to visit the Project website (described below) for information and updates. Materials and presentations will be posted on the Project website as they become available.



Presentations will contain maps, timelines, and other Project specific material developed by East Point Energy Center. Residents of the Study Area may be familiar with residential solar and small scale solar facilities. Therefore, East Point Energy Center materials presented to the public will provide some general information on solar farms but will be focused on any unique aspects of the Project and the Article 10 review process.

At the open house, East Point Energy Center plans to have poster board displays covering topics such as:

- Recent growth trends in the solar industry;
- Environmental, emission offset, and fuel offset benefits of solar energy;
- East Point Energy Center O&M capabilities and plans for staffing a local O&M facility in the Project Area;
- Project schedule;
- Intervenor funding and Article 10 process (including Pre-Application stakeholder involvement and scoping process);
- Studies expected to be required for permitting of the Project; and
- Economic benefits of the Project to the local economy.

East Point Energy Center will develop materials on the above topics using its knowledge of the Article 10 process, and industry sources such as New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's (NYSERDA) NY-Sun Program, the Alliance for Clean Energy New York, Inc. (ACENY), and the Department of Energy (DOE). Versions of these materials will be available on the Project website.

## **5.6 Website**

In order to disseminate information, East Point Energy Center will establish a user-friendly website dedicated to the Project and written in plain English. East Point Energy Center will update the website as the Project develops and more information becomes available. East Point Energy Center intends to have the website operational in January 2018. Once a website address has been determined and the site has been created, it will be included in outreach materials and East Point Energy Center will also notify the DPS so that the notification can be posted on the Department's DMM system.

When available, the following items will be posted on the website:

- Project description and location;
- Estimated project timeline;
- Project benefits and need;
- Project maps;
- Project contact information, including an email address and a telephone number;
- Summary of the Article 10 process;
- Summary of the intervenor funding process with instructions on how to apply;
- Addresses of local public document repositories;
- Links to the Article 10 Siting Board webpage and to case-specific documents filed for the Project;
- Schedule (with notices describing the purpose and goals as applicable) for public outreach events, opportunities for public participation, filings, and public hearings;
- PIP Plan tracking report;
- Community presentation materials;
- Publications or educational materials presented at the open house or distributed to stakeholders; and
- Instructions on how to join the stakeholder list.

Email inquiries through the website will receive an automated response acknowledging receipt of the question or comment, and a response from the Applicant will be provided within 2-3 days, as feasible. If the request involves obtaining written documents the response will include an estimated mailing date of the materials.

## **5.7 Notifications**

As noted previously, East Point Energy Center plans to individually notify residents of the proposed Project by mailing informational flyers (via First-Class US Postal Service) announcing the open house and general project information to all unique addresses in the voting rolls for the Study Area. In addition, the open house will be properly advertised (with sufficient lead time) at town board meetings, by mailings or emails to stakeholders (including to all Study Area residents as described above), on the Project website, and in the newspapers listed below. It is anticipated that the open house will be advertised at least two weeks prior to the event.

As part of its mailing to stakeholders on the open house, East Point Energy Center will include instructions on how to contact East Point Energy Center if a stakeholder is unable to attend the open house and would like to schedule a one-on-one meeting or a webinar.

East Point Energy Center will publish notices as required by the Article 10 regulations. Notices of PSS and Application filings will be published on the Project website and in the following papers: Times-Journal and The Schoharie News

- The Times-Journal, a paid-subscription, weekly newspaper covering Schoharie County, including the Host Municipality. <http://www.timesjournalonline.com/>.
- The Schoharie News, a paid-subscription, weekly newspaper widely read in the Study Area. <http://www.theschoharienews.com/>.

In addition to the newspaper notices, the stakeholder list will be notified via email or mail (depending on their stated preference) when the PSS and Application filings will be available for review. The Applicant will provide an updated stakeholder list with the filings, including host and adjacent landowners and other parties identified through the Applicant's outreach efforts, as well as proof that a mailing has occurred. Copies of the PSS and Application will be distributed to the local repositories in addition to being posted on the Project website.

## **5.8 Activities Designed to Encourage Stakeholder Participation**

All of the activities described above, including the open house and various forms of stakeholder outreach, have been designed to provide opportunities for stakeholders to participate in the Article 10 certification and compliance process. Consultations will be considered successful if information about the Project and the Article 10 process (including PSS and Application submittal milestones and document availability) was provided to stakeholders in an appropriate and timely manner (as described above), any relevant information provided to the Applicant was utilized to help advance the PIP Plan process and the preparation, submittal and review of the Application, and if follow-up meetings or consultations were scheduled or undertaken, if necessary.

### **5.8.1 Document Repositories**

While all information pertaining to the Project will be continually updated via the Project website, East Point Energy Center will maintain hard copies of the PIP Plan, the PSS, and the Article 10 Application, as well as assorted Project outreach materials, at the following locations for those stakeholders who may not have access to the website, or prefer to review hard copies:

- Town of Sharon Town Hall, 129 Main Street, Sharon Springs, NY
- Sharon Springs Free Library 129 Main Street, Sharon Springs, NY

Stakeholder participation will be documented by East Point Energy Center through the following activity:

- PIP Plan Tracking Report: The log will document the event date, location, attendees, summary of topics discussed, and any follow-up steps. East Point Energy Center will file the PIP Plan tracking report with the Secretary to the Board and post it on the Project website, as necessary (every two months).

## 6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AREAS

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) provides map files of Potential Environmental Justice Areas it identifies as census block groups with populations that meet one or more of the following thresholds:

- 51.1% or more of the population in an urban area reported themselves to be members of minority groups; or
- 33.8% or more of the population in a rural area reported themselves to be members of minority groups; or
- 23.59% or more of the population in an urban or rural area had household incomes below the federal poverty level.

According to a review of NYSDEC's website (<http://www.dec.ny.gov/public/899.html> Accessed June 2017) which utilizes the 2000 Census as its most up to date data source, there is one Potential Environmental Justice Area within Schoharie County. The referenced Potential Environmental Justice Area is located in the Town of Cobleskill.

- Census Block Group ID 360959902006 is located approximately 9 miles south of the Project Area (at the closest point). This area is in the Town of Cobleskill, Schoharie County. It is categorized as an urban area, where 9.24% of the population is minority and 36.95% of the population is below the federal poverty level.

Because the area above is outside of the Study Area, the Project will not negatively impact this or any other potential environmental justice areas.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> An additional review of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Environmental Justice screening and mapping tool (EJSCREEN) (<http://www.epa.gov/ejscreen>) which utilizes up to date demographic data from the American Community Survey (ACS) five-year summary file that the U.S. Census Bureau compiles yearly, resulted in similar findings as those from the NYSDEC. The EPA EJSCREEN Demographic Index (a combination of percent low-

**7.0 LANGUAGE ACCESS**

Article 10 regulations require the PIP Plan to identify any language other than English spoken (1) by 5,000 or more persons, according to United States Census data, residing in any five-digit zip code postal zone in which any portion of such zone is located within the Study Area; and (2) by a significant population of persons residing in close proximity to the proposed facility, alternative locations, or interconnections. Table 1 lists the five-digit zip codes extending into the Study Area and the most prevalent non-English languages spoken.

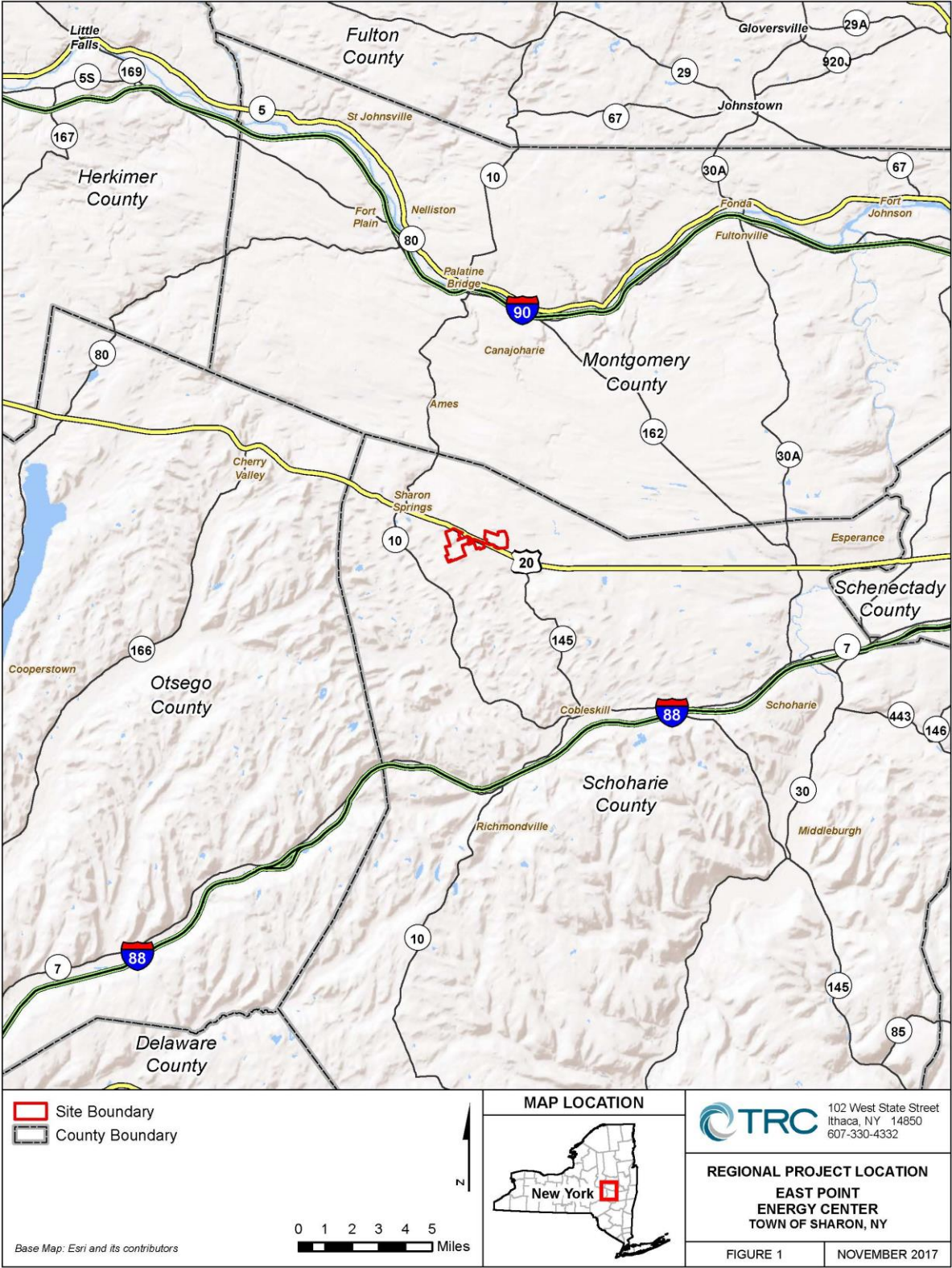
<b>Table 1. Number of Residents of Study Area Zip Codes who speak a Language Other than English</b>						
<b>Zip Code</b>	<b>Post Office</b>	<b>Total Population</b>	<b>Speak Only English</b>	<b>Percentage of Population that speaks only English</b>	<b>Most Prevalent Non-English Language Spoken</b>	
					<b>Language</b>	<b>Number</b>
12043	Cobleskill	7,995	7,444	93.11%	Spanish or Spanish Creole	249
13317	Canajoharie	3,632	3,567	98.21%	Korean	19
13459	Sharon Springs	2,257	2,115	93.71%	Spanish or Spanish Creole	48
Source:	Source: 2011-2015 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimate, Table B16001: Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English for the Population 5 Years and Over					

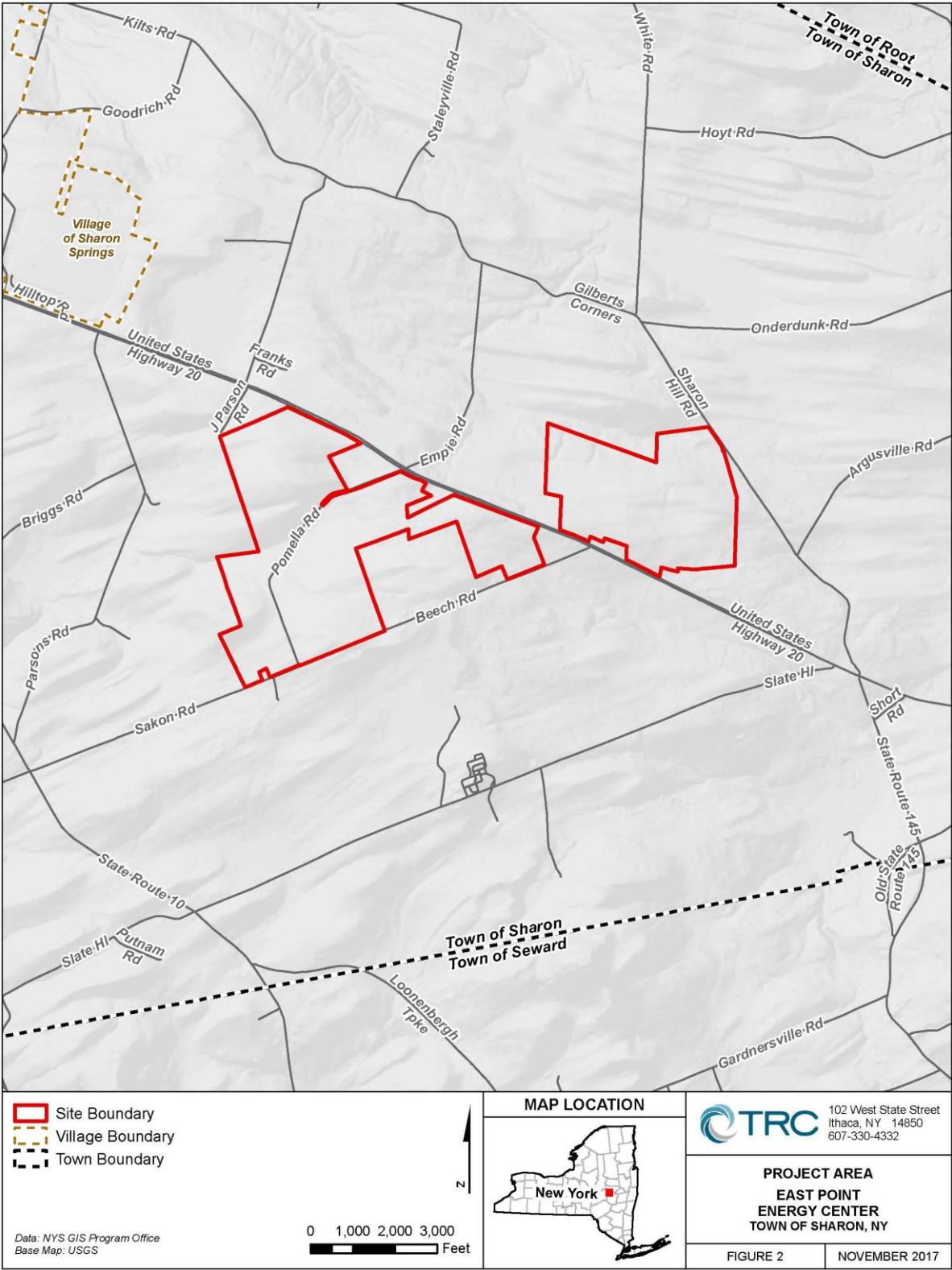
As shown above in Table 1, no language other than English is spoken by more than 5,000 people residing in any zip code within the Study Area. Based on these findings, East Point Energy Center is not proposing to disseminate Project and Article 10-related materials in a second language.

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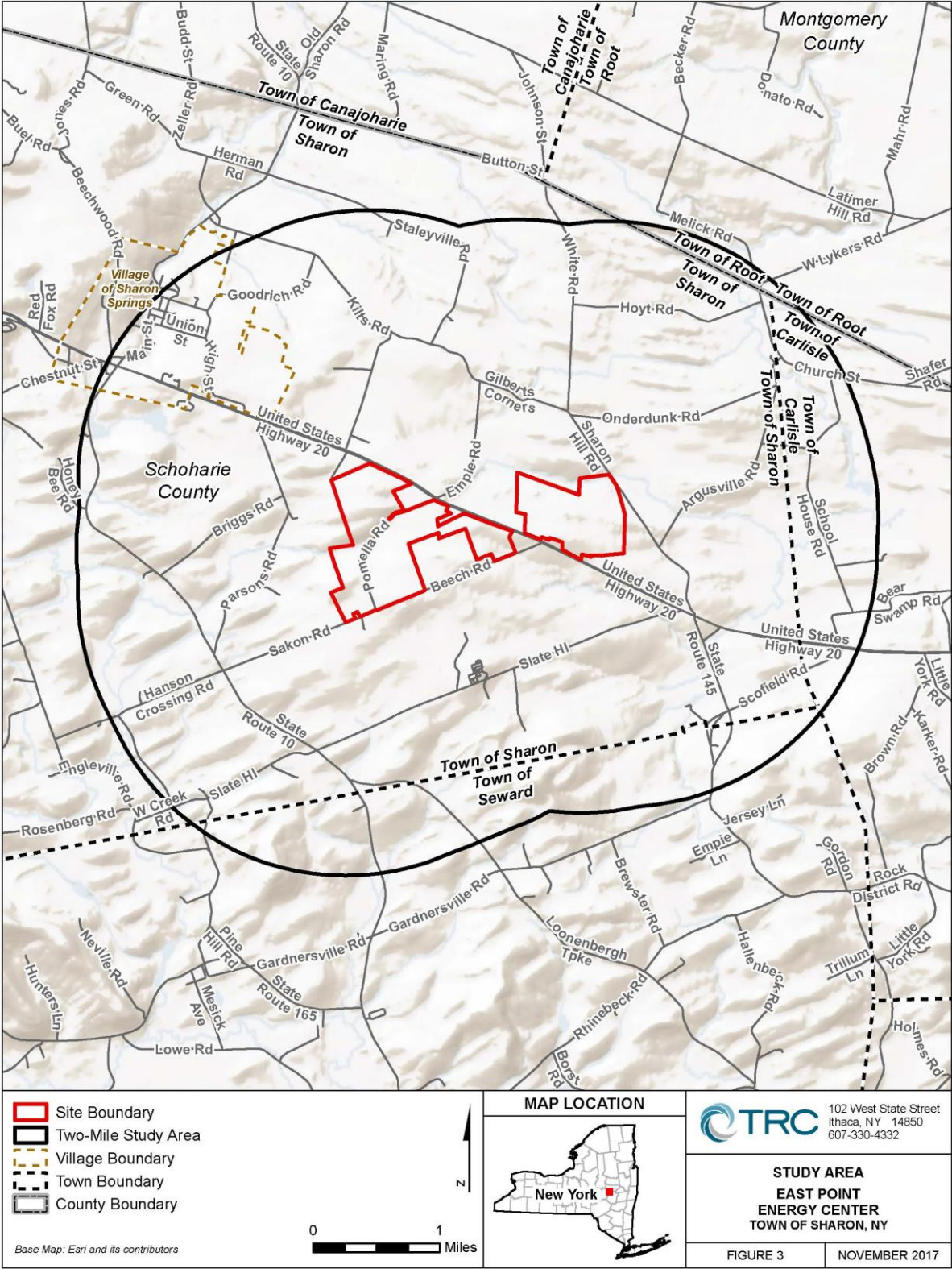
income and percent minority calculated from the Census Bureau’s ACS 2008-2012) identified similar areas, none of which are within the Project Area.

**FIGURES**









**Appendix A**  
**Stakeholders/Notification List**

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**Appendix B**  
**Stakeholder Consultation Goals and Schedule**

Name	Goals of Consultation	Schedule
<b>Federal Agencies / Representatives</b>		
US Fish and Wildlife Service	Identify any concerns related to Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act and Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act	Prior to submittal of the PSS and ongoing throughout Article 10 process.
US Army Corps of Engineers	Determine jurisdiction and requirements under Section 404 and Clean Water Act	Prior to submittal of the PSS and ongoing throughout Article 10 process.
US Department of Defense	Discuss any navigational issues of concern to military aircraft	Prior to submittal of Article 10 application and ongoing throughout Article 10 process (as necessary).
Federal Aviation Administration	Discuss any navigational issues of concern to military aircraft	Prior to submittal of Article 10 application and ongoing throughout Article 10 process (as necessary).
US Senator Charles E. Schumer	Notification as required by Article 10	Prior to submittal of the PSS and ongoing throughout Article 10 process (as necessary).
US Senator Kristen E. Gillibrand	Notification as required by Article 10	Prior to submittal of the PSS and ongoing throughout Article 10 process (as necessary).
US Congressman John Faso (District 19)	Notification as required by Article 10	Prior to submittal of the PSS and ongoing throughout Article 10 process (as necessary).
National Telecommunications and Information Administration	Notification as required by Article 10; Discuss any potential communications issues that may impact government communications systems	Prior to submittal of the PSS and ongoing throughout Article 10 process (as necessary).

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<b>New York State Agencies / Representatives</b>		
Members of NYS Assembly (Peter D. Lopez, Representative, 102 <sup>nd</sup> District) and NYS Senate (James L. Seward Senator, 51 <sup>st</sup> District)	Introduce Project, Article 10 process, and provide contact information	Introductory letter to be sent prior to PSS.
	Notification as required by Article 10	Prior to submittal of the PSS.
	Respond to specific inquiries or comments	As requested by the Stakeholder
NYS Department of Public Service	Introduce the Project and coordinate Article 10 process	Introductory meeting to be held prior to submittal of PSS, to be followed by others as needed. Correspondence anticipated to occur throughout Article 10 process.
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)	Introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information; identify agency concerns to RTE, wetlands.	Introductory meeting to be requested prior to submittal of PSS, to be followed by others as needed. Correspondence anticipated to occur throughout Article 10 process.
	Additional input of survey plans; feedback on study results.	
NYSDEC Region 4	Introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information; identify agency concerns to RTE, wetlands.	Introductory meeting to be requested prior to submittal of PSS, to be followed by others as needed. Correspondence anticipated to occur throughout Article 10 process.
	Additional input of survey plans; feedback on study results.	
NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP)	Coordinate consultation in accordance with Section 14.09 of the New York State Parks, Historic Preservation Law, and/or Section 106 of the Historic Preservation Act, as required	Correspondence and meetings to be requested prior to the PSS submittal to inform work plans and contents of cultural studies; ongoing interaction to review findings as necessary throughout Article 10 process.

Name	Goals of Consultation	Schedule
NYS Department of Health	Notification as required by Article 10	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
NYS Department of Transportation (DOT)	Notification as required by Article 10; ; discuss areas of interest and any concerns regarding Byway Corridor Management Plan	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
NYS Energy Research and Development Authority	Notification as required by Article 10	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services	Notification as required by Article 10	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
NYS Department of State	Notification as required by Article 10	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
NYS Department of Ag & Markets	Notification as required by Article 10; Introduce Project including contact information; discuss areas of interest and any concerns	Introductory meeting to be requested prior to submittal of PSS; consultation anticipated to occur throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
Empire State Development Corporation	Notification as required by Article 10	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
NYS Attorney General	Notification as required by Article 10	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
New York Independent System Operator	Participation in interconnection process	Consultation anticipated prior to submittal of the PSS and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)

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<b>Host County</b>		
Schoharie County Administrator (Steve Wilson, County Administrator)	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Board of Supervisors (Chairman Earl VanWormer III)	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern, if necessary.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Board of Supervisors (Sheryl Largeteau, Judi Beeler, CJ Smith, Shawn J. Smith, David Simkins, Larry Bradt, Leo T. McAllister, William Federice, Philip Skowfoe Jr., Anthony VanGlad, Margaret Hait, Gerald (Pete) Coppolo, Richard Lape, Christopher Tague, John S. Bates, Sandra Manko, Harold Vroman, Alexander Luniewski)	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern, if necessary.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Planning and Development Agency	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Soil and Water Conservation District	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)

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Schoharie County Watershed Department	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Sheriff's Department	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Economic Development Office	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Emergency Management	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Cornell Cooperative Extension	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Historian	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur

Name	Goals of Consultation	Schedule
		throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Schoharie County Agricultural District Board	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to submittal of PSS; additional consultation anticipated to occur throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
<b>Host Municipality</b>		
<b>Town of Sharon</b>		
Town Supervisor (Sandra Manko)	Introduce East Point Energy Center and the Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information; Discuss Project related areas of interest or concern	Introductory meeting to be requested prior to submittal of PSS and throughout the Article 10 process (as necessary)
Town Clerk (Barbara L. Cousineau)	Introduce East Point Energy Center and the Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information; Discuss Project related areas of interest or concern	Consultation no later than one month prior to PSS submittal and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
Town Enforcement Officer (Jerry Weis)	Introduce East Point Energy Center and the Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information; Discuss Project related areas of interest or concern	Consultation no later than one month prior to PSS submittal and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)
Highway Superintendent (Joseph Falsarella)	Introduce East Point Energy Center and the Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information; Discuss Project related areas of interest or concern	Consultation no later than one month prior to PSS submittal and throughout Article 10 process (as necessary)

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<b>Adjacent Municipalities</b>		
Village of Sharon Springs	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Town of Carlisle	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Town of Root	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Town of Seward	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
<b>Airports</b>		
Sharon Airport	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
<b>School District</b>		
Sharon Springs Central School District	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process



Name	Goals of Consultation	Schedule
<b>Chambers of Commerce</b>		
Schoharie County Chamber Of Commerce	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Sharon Springs Chamber of Commerce	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
<b>Emergency Responders</b>		
Sharon Springs Fire Department	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Schoharie County Sheriff's Department	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
New York State Police, Troop G	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Schoharie County Emergency Management Services	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as

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	contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	necessary throughout the Article 10 process
<b>Additional Stakeholders</b>		
Participating Landowners	Landowner agreements	Correspondence by phone, mail or in-person meeting per Article 10 regulations and as needed.
Adjacent Landowners	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Area Residents	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Schoharie County Farm Bureau	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
National Grid (electric)	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Spectrum (cable TV)	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Verizon (phone)	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as

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Route 20 Association of New York State	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process
Sharon Pathfinders	Notification to introduce Project, Article 10 process, intervenor funding and provide contact information. Follow-up to discuss Project related areas of interest or concern.	Notification no later than one month prior to PSS submittal, and as necessary throughout the Article 10 process

**Appendix C**  
**East Point Energy Center PIP Plan**  
**Meeting Log**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location of Meeting</b>	<b>Meeting Attendees</b>	<b>Purpose of Meeting</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Applicant Response</b>	<b>Follow Up Action Items</b>

**Appendix D**  
**East Point Energy Center**  
**Preliminary Project Schedule**

*\*Please note – all dates are estimated and subject to change and notification of public participation opportunities will be provided as information is available*

**September 2017** - File Preliminary Public Involvement Program Plan with NYS DPS

**November 2017** – File Final Public Involvement Program Plan with NYS DPS

**Spring 2018** – Public Open House Informational Meeting (two meeting times same day);  
Public to be notified of specific date/location prior to meeting

**Spring 2018** – File Preliminary Scoping Statement with NYS DPS

**Summer 2018** – Public Open House Informational Meeting (two meeting times same day);  
Public to be notified of specific date/location prior to meeting

**Fall 2018** – File Article 10 Application

**Spring 2020** – Siting Board Decision on Issuance of Article 10 Certificate

**Fall 2021** – Commercial Operation Date