

STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE
OFFICE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SITING
AND ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION

ORES DMM Matter No. 23-03023 - Application of FORT EDWARD SOLAR, LLC, for a Major Renewable Energy Facility Siting Permit Pursuant to Article VIII of the New York State Public Service Law to Develop, Design, Construct, Operate, Maintain, and Decommission a 100-Megawatt (MW) Solar Energy Facility Located in the Town of Fort Edward, Washington County.

NOTICE OF ORAL ARGUMENT

(Issued March 23, 2026)

Presently before Executive Director Zeryai Hagos are appeals from the December 11, 2025, Ruling of the Administrative Law Judges on Issues and Party Status, and Order of Disposition in the above referenced proceeding (DMM Item No. 101). Pursuant to 16 NYCRR 1100-8.3(b)(1), Director Hagos has determined that oral argument is necessary to develop the record on appellant / party-status petitioner Grassland Bird Trust's appeal issue II.E (see DMM Item No. 103, at 20). All filings are available for review on the ORES website (accessible at <https://dps.ny.gov/ores-permit-applications>).

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT oral argument is scheduled to be held before Director Hagos and the undersigned Chief Administrative Law Judge on Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 12:30 p.m. The oral argument will be conducted electronically through the Webex Webinars electronic webinar platform and by telephone. Parties to the oral argument include appellants / party-status petitioners Grassland Bird Trust, Inc., and American Land Rescue Fund, Inc., applicant Fort Edward Solar, LLC, and staff of the Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission

(ORES or Office). All affected State agencies, municipalities, and local agencies are also invited to participate in the oral argument. All participants, affected State agencies, municipalities, and local agencies interested in participating in the oral argument must register with the undersigned Chief Administrative Law Judge by email or telephone no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2026. Instructions for attending the oral argument will be sent under separate cover.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the oral argument will be held virtually before the Executive Director and undersigned Chief Administrative Law Judge as follows:

DATE: Thursday, March 26, 2026

TIME: 12:30 p.m.

**Electronic Access: <https://meetny-gov.webex.com>
Event Number: 2834 876 1548
Password: Mar26-1230pm**

**Phone-Only Access: 1-929-251-9612
Access Code: 2834 876 1548
Password: 62726012**

To register and attend the oral argument electronically:

This option is for members of the public who would like to attend and observe the oral argument by logging into the argument electronically. Participants must pre-register by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, by visiting <https://meetny-gov.webex.com/weblink/register/r1e032f1c1394a40aa89a3bb9f5822491> clicking the "Register" button, and then providing all requested information. After registration is complete, registrants will receive a confirmation email with instructions on how to join the oral argument.

When logging into the oral argument on the appropriate date and time, participants will be asked to "select audio system." It is recommended that participants opt to have the system "call me" or "call using computer." The "call me" option will require that participants enter their phone numbers.

To listen to the oral argument by telephone:

Any interested person may listen to the oral argument by telephone without pre-registering by calling 1-929-251-9612 and entering the appropriate access code and phone-in password listed above.

Persons with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodations should call the Department of Public Service's Human Resources Management Office at 1-518-473-9463 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Department at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this Notice.

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