

# Foothills Solar Project

## Fulton County, New York

### **60-DAY NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION**

Foothills Solar LLC (Foothills Solar) is proposing to construct the Foothills Solar Project, a major solar electric generating facility, under Section 94-c of the Executive Law (Section 94-c). This notice announces that on or about November 17, 2023, Foothills Solar intends to file an Application with the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (“ORES” or the “Office”), pursuant to Section 94-c seeking a Siting Permit from the Office authorizing the construction and operation of the Foothills Solar Project. The 94-c process has been implemented by rules enacted by the Office and establishes a review process with uniform standards and conditions for all renewable energy projects. The uniform standards and conditions are available at 19 NYCRR 900-6 and [www.ores.ny.gov/regulations](http://www.ores.ny.gov/regulations).

The Foothills Solar Project is proposed to be an approximately 40 megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic electric generating facility to be located in the Town of Mayfield and the Village of Mayfield, Fulton County, New York (the “Project”). The Facility will consist of rows of photovoltaic panels, as well as associated inverters, electric collection lines, a point of interconnection (POI), an on-site collection substation, access roads, and fence lines (the “Facility”). The POI will connect the Facility substation to the existing National Grid Mayfield to Northville 69 kilovolt (kV) transmission line #8, which will interconnect the Facility to the New York State grid.

The Facility is a zero-emission solar energy facility that will assist the State in meeting the goals of the Climate Leadership and Protection Act and State Energy Plan, which includes obtaining 70% of energy generation from renewable sources by 2030 and significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Other positive impacts of the Facility include diversification of energy supplies, new employment opportunities (both temporary construction and full-time employment), increased revenues to the Town of Mayfield and the Village of Mayfield, Fulton County, and School Districts, payments to participating landowners, support of the local hospitality industry, and purchase of local supplies and goods. In addition, Foothills Solar has attempted to minimize impacts associated with the Facility, for example, by limiting impacts to wetlands to the maximum extent practicable. Foothills Solar will submit an Application that includes extensive studies evaluating the potential impacts associated with the Facility and identified methods which have been agreed to be implemented to avoid, minimize and mitigate potential impacts. This notice is being provided in accordance with 19 NYCRR 900-1.3(d) and is being published at least sixty (60) days prior to the filing of the Application.

For more information about the Project, please visit the Project website at <https://www.boralex.com/projects/foothills/>, on the ORES website (<https://ores.ny.gov/permit-applications> under ORES Matter No. 23-00046) or contact Foothills Solar at:

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Hard copies of the Application, when filed, will be available for review at the following local document repositories: Mayfield Town Hall and Mayfield Village Hall, 28 North School Street, Mayfield, NY 12117 and Gloversville Public Library, 58 East Fulton Street, Gloversville, NY 12078.

Pursuant to 19 NYCRR 900-5, Foothills Solar will submit with the Application \$1,000 dollars for each MW of capacity for local agencies and potential intervenors, which for this project totals \$40,000. Any local agency or potential community intervenor can submit a request to the Office for funding with thirty (30) days of the date of the application filing. 75% of the local agency account funds shall be reserved for local agencies. Intervenor requests can be made to: the Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Attn: Request for Local Agency Account Funding, 99 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12231-0001.