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July 14, 2023

Shonta Dunston  
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**Re: SCH File # 21-E-4600-0681 Application of Sweetleaf Solar, LLC for Certificate to construct a 94 MW Solar Facility in Halifax Co. Docket #EMP-111 Sub 0. View document at <http://starw1.ncuc.net/NCUC/portal/ncuc/page/Docketcts/portal.aspx>, Type EMP-111 Sub 0 in the Docket Number search line. Located at generally east and west**

Dear Shonta Dunston:

The above referenced environmental impact information has been reviewed through the State Clearinghouse under the provisions of the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act.

Attached to this letter are comments made in the review of this document. Because of the nature of the comments, it has been determined that no further State Clearinghouse review action on your part is needed for compliance with the North Carolina Environmental Policy Act. The attached comments should be taken into consideration in project development.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (984) 236-0000.

Sincerely,

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State Environmental Review Clearinghouse

Attachments

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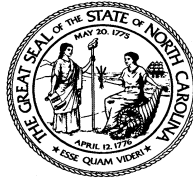


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Re: Construct 94 MW Solar Facility east and west of Justice Branch Road, between Delmar Road and Beaverdam Road, north of Enfield, Halifax County, ER 20-1553

Dear Dr. Bamann:

Thank you for your submission of March 31, 2023, concerning the above-referenced project. We have reviewed the information provided and offer the following comments.

We concur with the proposed avoidance plan for sites 31HX699 and 31HX750, which includes incorporating a 30-foot buffer around each site and noting their locations on construction plans. We request that the excluded areas be noted on construction plans as "Environmentally Sensitive Areas" instead of "Cultural sites" and that temporary construction fencing be placed around the buffer boundaries during earth disturbing activities.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106 codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comment, contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919-814-6579 or [environmental.review@ncdcr.gov](mailto:environmental.review@ncdcr.gov). In all future communication concerning this project, please cite the above referenced tracking number.

Sincerely,

*Renee Gledhill-Earley*  
for Ramona Bartos, Deputy  
State Historic Preservation Officer

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