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GLOUCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE OF SCOPING HEARING PROPOSED GREEN ACRES MAJOR DIVERSION SCOTLAND RUN PARK

http://www.gloucestercountynj.gov/

PLEASE BE ADVISED that Gloucester County, New Jersey ("County") located at 2 South Broad Street, Woodbury, New Jersey will hold a scoping hearing that is open to the public to obtain comments for a major diversion of parkland owned by the County. The scoping hearing will be held on June 13, 2023 at 6 p.m. in the Gloucester County Office of Government Services located at 1200 North Delsea Dr., Building "A", Clayton, New Jersey. All interested parties are invited to attend, either in-person or remotely, and participate at the scoping hearing. In addition to oral comments presented during the hearing, written comments may be submitted to the addresses listed below. All written comments must be received by close of business on the last day of the two-week period following the scoping hearing (by June 27, 2023).

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.8 et seq., the general description of the major diversion to be considered at the scoping hearing is: a 1.13-acre portion of Scotland Run Park designated on the Tax Maps of the Franklin Township, Gloucester County, New Jersey as Lots 9.01 and 11, Block 102, on the west side of Fries Mill Road, between Academy Street and East Washington Ave. (the "Diversion Area").

The purpose of the diversion is to permit the installation of a subsurface electrical line through the parkland via a thirty-foot wide easement for approximately 1,640 feet. The electrical line would allow for the connection of a ground-mounted solar and energy storage farm to the electrical grid and impact the least amount of parkland. The solar and energy storage farm is located on privately-owned land to the south of the Diversion Area and would be constructed and operated by Gloucester Solar I, LLC. Any diversion is subject to approval by the County, the NJDEP Commissioner and the State House Commission. As compensation for the diverted area, the County will acquire replacement land adjacent to Scotland Run Park and make it available for use by the public.

Those that wish to participate remotely, may access the Scoping Hearing using the following instructions:

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86537143839?pwd=a0VFVnVXQkxFSUNCWWRDQIVjZ0ozZz09

Meeting ID: 865 3714 3839

Passcode: 676026 One tap mobile

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All written comments should be submitted to the County, with a copy to the NJDEP at the following addresses:

The County:

Eric Agren
Office of Land Preservation
254 County House Road
Clarksboro, NJ 08020
eagren@co.gloucester.nj.us with an electronic mail copy to
Eric Campo, Esq., County Counsel at ecampo@co.gloucester.nj.us

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection:

maude.snyder@dep.nj.gov (email preferred) or by mail to:

NJ DEP Office of Transactions and Public Land Administration Public Land Compliance Section 401 East State Street, 7th Floor Mail Code 401-07, P.O. Box 420 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420. Attn: Gloucester County Compliance/Maude Snyder

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