

NOTICE OF PROJECT CHANGE

Project Name: North Burgess Solar Project

Project Applicant: Northland Power Solar North Burgess L.P.

Project Location: The Project is located on Narrow Locks Road, in the Township of Tay Valley, 10 km southwest of the Town of Perth.

Project Description

Construction of this 10 megawatt facility is nearing completion. The facility will use solar photovoltaic panels mounted on fixed racking structures, with in-ground foundations. Direct current generated by the panels will be converted to alternating current by inverters and stepped up to an intermediate voltage by a transformer at each inverter cluster. Alternating current will be routed to a main facility substation where it will be stepped up to distribution voltage, and routed through a short distribution line to connect the facility to the existing distribution grid. OPA reference number is FIT-F0HJPWL. The Renewable Energy Approval (REA) number is 5149-8YPMVG.

Project Change

Three changes were identified from the originally proposed Project. Firstly, a reassessment of the high water mark for Tributary B relocated the 30 m setback protection zone. The additional land will be used by the Project for tree removal/vegetation clearing. Secondly, during construction, the fence line at the southern boundary woodland was installed closer to the tree line than the 1 m setback detailed in the Natural Heritage reports. It is proposed that this mitigation measure be removed and any damaged trees be compensated for in the site's replanting program. Thirdly, tree trimming may also be required within 10 meters of the fence line through-out the Operations phase of the Project, to reduce shading and to remove any dead trees posing a safety hazard. A certified arborist will oversee any tree trimming and anticipated removals have been compensated for in the site's replanting program. Due to these changes, the applicant has submitted an application to the Ontario Ministry to the Environment (MOE) to amend the REA for the Project. The MOE is currently reviewing this application.

Project Documents

Copies of the Project documents including the Project Change letter, detailing the changes to the REA supporting documents are available on line at:
<http://northburgess.northlandpower.ca/>

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To learn more about the changes or to communicate any concerns please contact:

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