



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

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PAMELA B. CASHWELL
SECRETARY

September 24, 2021

Kimberley Campbell
North Carolina Department of Commerce
Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325

Re: SCH File # 22-E-4600-0028 Application of Shawboro East Ridge Solar, LLC for Certificate to construct a 150 MW Solar Facility in Currituck Co. Docket #EMP-117 Sub 0. View document at <http://starw1.ncuc.net/NCUC/portal/ncuc/page/Dockets/portal.aspx>, Type EMP-117 Sub 0 in the Docket Number search line.

Dear Ms. Campbell:

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

Attached to this letter are **additional 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Crystal Best".

Crystal Best
State Environmental Review Clearinghouse

Attachments



**North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
State Historic Preservation Office**

Ramona M. Bartos, Administrator

Governor Roy Cooper
Secretary D. Reid Wilson

Office of Archives and History
Deputy Secretary, Darin J. Waters, Ph.D.

September 23, 2021

MEMORANDUM

TO: Crystal Best crystal.best@doa.nc.gov
North Carolina State Clearinghouse
Department of Administration

FROM: Ramona Bartos *RMB for Ramona M. Bartos*

SUBJECT: Construct 80 MW Shawboro East Ridge Solar Farm (22-E-4600-0028, NCUC Docket No. EMP-117 Sub 0), East Ridge Road, Shawboro, Currituck County, ER 15-2177

Thank you for your email of August 13, 2021, concerning the above project. We apologize for the delay in our response and any inconvenience it may have caused.

The proposed solar installation boundaries are adjacent to the National Register-listed Shaw House (CK0008) property located east of Shawboro Road. As proposed, the project will have no adverse effect on historic property based on the following conditions being implemented.

- A mixed species, evergreen vegetative buffer or screen should be installed, specifically along boundaries adjacent to historic properties as it will serve to minimize the array's visual impact.
- For our records, photographs of the buffer adjacent to the historic properties must be provided once construction is completed.

Based on our knowledge of the area, it is unlikely that any archaeological resources that may be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places will be affected by the project. We, therefore, recommend that no archaeological investigation be conducted in connection with this project.

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. In all future communication concerning this project, please cite the above referenced tracking number.

cc Lindsey Worley, NC DOC

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