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Draft Project Description Report

Chatsworth Solar Project

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1. Executive Summary

Sitka Power Inc. (Sitka) is preparing a Project Description Report (PDR) in accordance with Ontario Regulation 359/09 – Renewable Energy Approvals under Part V.0.1 of the Environmental Protection Act and in alignment with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' (MECP, 2024) Technical Guide to Renewable Energy Approvals.

The purpose of the PDR is to outline the key aspects of the proposed project, including its nature, scope and potential environmental impacts. This document supports early engagement by providing stakeholders, including the public and Indigenous communities, with clear and accessible information to facilitate transparency, collaboration and meaningful consultation.

The Chatsworth Solar Development Project (hereinafter referred to as "the Project") is a proposed 15.75 megawatt alternating current (MWac) solar energy generation facility that Sitka intends to develop, construct and operate in the Township of Chatsworth, Grey County. The Project qualifies as a Class III solar facility as defined under O. Reg. 359/09.

2. General Information

2.1. Name of the project:

The name of the project is "Chatsworth Solar Project."

2.2. Applicant name and Contact information:

Sitka Power Inc. is the proponent of the Project. 1001285733 Ontario Inc. is the legal entity which owns the Chatsworth Solar Project and is fully owned by Sitka Power Inc. and a First Nation legal entity with a 50 / 50 equity split. An initial shareholder agreement is in place.

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2.3. Project Location and Area

The Project is located on private owned land in Township of Chatsworth , Grey County with a municipal address of 317098 Highway 6 & 10, Chatsworth ON N0H 1G0. A map of the land is included in Figure 1.

The property is zoned Rural - (A1) - Majority - and Environmental Protection (AP) - under Grey County. The Project site is only on Rural zoned land. There is a Enbridge Gas Line on the property with setback requirements applied. The physical properties of the land include watercourse, wetland, and woodlands. In accordance with the NHAG (MNR, 2012) and the O. Reg. 359/09, setback requirements of the natural features and water bodies have been applied to the Project Site. A desktop environmental constraint analysis (Figure 2) has been completed and incorporated into the Project site.

The neighbouring properties are designated (A1) – Rural, (EP) – Environmental Protection, (A2) – Restricted Rural, and (C1) - General Commercial. The neighbouring land use are residential acreage, personal businesses including a cemetery, grocery store, and different farming activities. Consultation is underway with neighbouring landowners and First Nation communities to assess the impact of the Project. During operations, the Project is not expecting to cause any impact to neighbouring lands and Sitka will work with Neighbouring Landowners to address any concerns. The Project is being designed to west of the know gas line (Figure 3) to adhere to the pipeline's right-of-way and respect the Township of Chatsworth's request to reduce the visibility of the Project. Because of the neighbouring properties being private land, with the information currently available, no impact is expected to Indigenous rights. Sitka is currently consulting with the Saugeen Ojibway Nation Environment Office to identify any unforeseen impacts to Indigenous rights.

An initial zoning report was procured by a third-party consultant and contained an overview of the zoning, permitted uses, and setbacks. The report's initial assessment concluded there are no policies in this zoning by-law that pose a constraint to the development of a solar project. Further discussions will be had with the municipality to determine if there are any concerns.

The Project is not located in the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

2.4. Property Ownership

The property is privately owned by an individual. 1001285733 Ontario Inc. has entered into a lease agreement with the individual owner to lease the property should the project be awarded a contract. The PIN is 37184-0203 and legal description is PT LT 4 CON 2 SULLIVAN AS IN R447938; PT LT 2 CON 1 DIVISION 1 SULLIVAN; PT LT 2 CON 1 DIVISION 2 SULLIVAN; PT LT 2 CON 1 DIVISION 3 SULLIVAN AS IN R447936; S/T R447936; S/T R86510, SL14345; CHATSWORTH

2.5. Energy Source, Capacity, and Facility Classification

2.5.1. Energy Source

The energy source for this Project is solar power, utilizing ground mounted photovoltaic (PV) modules.

2.5.2. Capacity:

The proposed capacity is 15.75 MWac and 20.17 MW direct current (MWdc).

2.5.3. Class of solar facility

The Project qualifies as a Class III solar facility as defined under O. Reg. 359/09. Class III is a facility at any location other than mounted on the roof or wall of a building with a name plate capacity of >10 MW.

2.6. Approvals Required

2.6.1. Municipal Approval

All Municipal approvals required will be determined in consultation with the Township of Chatsworth and Grey County. Sitka engaged the planning department on January 22, 2026 to commence the consultation and permit approval process. Sitka has provided a pre-consultation overview presentation of the Project and will continue to coordinate with required departments to address the specific questions or concerns of each department. Documentation of this will be provided within the Consultation Report.

The following table is a list of expected approvals for the project:

Issuing Body	Regulatory Approvals / Authorization	Description
Township of Chatsworth	Zoning By-law	Zoning By-Law will be needed to ensure conformity with zoning requirements.
	Site Plan Approval	Any renewable energy generation facility requires a Site Plan Control approval to ensure developments meet standards for safety, functionality and compatibility.
	Building Permits	Ground-mounted solar collector systems are subject to building permit requirements under the Ontario Building Code.
Grey County	Official Plan Amendment	County Official Plan amendment may be needed to ensure compatibility.

Confirmation of Zoning By-Law amendment, including written confirmation from the Township of Chatsworth and Grey County to be provided once completed.

2.6.2. Provincial Approval

All provincial approvals required will be determined in support of the REA from the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. Additional authorizations may be required at the provincial level to facilitate development of the Project.

The following table is a list of expected approvals for the project:

Issuing Body	Regulatory Approvals / Authorization	Description
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Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks	Renewable Energy Approval	In accordance with O. Reg. 359/09 for Class III solar projects.
Ontario Energy Board	Generator License	A license is required to generate electricity.
Ministry of Natural Resources / Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism	Written Letters and Comments Letters	In accordance with O. Reg. 359/09 for Class III solar projects.
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks	Authorization if adverse impacts of Species at Risk	Endangered Species Act

If SAR habitat is confirmed to be present in the open country or other habitat in the Solar Project Area (SPA) through the field studies, under the Endangered Species Act, 2007 (ESA) an Overall Benefit Permit and/or regulatory conditional exemption with potential payment to the Species at Risk Conservation Fund may be required if this habitat is proposed for temporary disturbance or removal. It should be noted that the Species at Risk Conservation Fund is being wound down under the amended ESA, as outlined in Bill 5. The government plans to eliminate the fund and the agency that manages it, the Species Conservation Action Agency. A new Species Conservation Program and Account are being created to replace the existing framework. Bill 5, the Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025, includes changes to the (ESA) and introduces a new Species Conservation Act (SCA), which is expected to come into force in early 2026. The project will adjust to meet these changes.

2.6.3. Other Authorizations

Issuing Body	Regulatory Approvals / Authorization	Description
Saugeen Conservation Authority	Development permits	A permit from SVCA is required when any proposed development occurs within regulated areas defined by SVCA mapping.

2.6.4. Federal Involvement

Issuing Body	Approvals / Authorization	Description
Federal Government	Approval	Species at Risk Act
Fisheries and oceans Canada	Letter of Advice or Authorization	Fisheries Act

If the Project proposes to discharge into a ditch that is located further than 30 m away of a watercourse, a *Fisheries Act* authorization is not likely to be required. However, if a watercourse/water body crossing is required, a Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Letter of Advice or Authorization may be required, which is determined in consultation with DFO generally through the submission of a Request for Review.

If there are incidences of SAR and their residences in the SPA, a SARA Permit may be required to acquire a REA for the Project. However, generally the Canadian Wildlife Service branch of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Canada delegates the responsibility for SAR permitting and approvals to Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). Appropriate SAR studies will be conducted to confirm presence of any species in the SPA.

A Species at Risk Report is planned and will inform what Federal approvals / authorization are required.

3. Project Details

3.1. Energy Sources to Generate Electricity

The energy source for this Project is solar power, utilizing ground mounted photovoltaic (PV) modules. When exposed to sunlight, panels will generate direct current (DC) electricity. The DC electricity will be conveyed through underground cabling to an inverter that converts DC electricity to alternating current (AC) electricity.

3.2. Facility, Equipment and Technology

The facility proposes to install a combination of PV modules and a single-axis tracker system to optimize energy generations. The current site designs consist of 15.75 MWac capacity, support by 20.17 MWdc capacity, using 26,575 JINKO TIGER NEO III 66QL6-BDV bifacial PV modules, each rated at 670 Wp. These modules will be installed on single-axis trackers (manufacturer to be determined) The energy generated will go through 5 Sungrow SG3150U-MV inverters, each rated at 3.15 MVA, to convert DC power into AC electricity for connection to the local distribution grid.

Photovoltaic Modules: JINKO TIGER NEO III 66QL6-BDV, 670W per panel. The total number of panels is 26,575.

Tracking System: The system will use single axis horizontal trackers with a pitch of 7.7 meters and a $\pm 60^\circ$ range of motion, which will maximize energy production by adjusting the panels' orientation relative to the sun.

Inverters: 5 Sungrow SG3150U-MV inverters, each with a nominal power rating of 3.15 MVA. These inverters will convert the DC electricity generated by the modules into usable AC electricity for integration into the grid.

Transformers and Substation: 44KV Transformers and Substation equipment will be selected post bid award. The substation is planned at the northwest end of the SPA while transformers will be on skids near each inverter.

Site layout: The solar panels will be arranged with adequate setbacks from the parcel line and other infrastructure to comply with municipal regulations. The site will include internal access roads for maintenance, as well as 3,945 meters of fencing for security.

3.3. Nameplate Capacity

The Project's total nameplate capacity is 15.75 MWac. This represents the maximum output the facility is designed to generate and deliver under optimal operation conditions.

3.4. Project Activities

The project construction, operation and decommissioning phases are outlined in this section. Following the necessary confirmations and approvals, construction is likely to begin in Spring/Summer of 2028 to 2029.

3.4.1. Access Road Construction

The proposed site access is off Concession Road 2A, which the Municipality informed has less traffic and potential for impact to local neighbours. The construction of internal access roads will be necessary for access to the facility for maintenance, and serviceability of the solar installation. The internal roads will be 6 meters wide and following the layout indicated in the site plan with appropriate grading and surfacing to ensure ease of access.

3.4.2. Site Preparation

Site preparation activities will include clearing the land of vegetation or debris, following by grading to create a level foundation for the installation of the foundation, racking and panel components. The geotechnical investigation and topographic survey will determine the racking foundation design and the construction of the proposed PV solar arrays. Water-taking from ground water or surface water is not expected as any water needs will be trucked in from a contracted provider.

3.4.3. Solid or Liquid Waste

No solid organic waste is expected to be needing disposal of. Any inorganic waste will be properly disposed of at municipal waste disposal sites or be disposed of by a third-party contractor. There is no liquid waste expected and this document will be updated should it be determined there will be.

3.4.4. Installation of Support Structures

PV racking system foundations generally consist of steel columnar foundations to support the structures including the solar panels, racking, concrete foundations for inverters, transformers and substation equipment. Single-axis trackers will be anchored into the ground using piles. The installation process will involve positioning of tracker to ensure proper orientation and functionality.

3.4.5. Underground Cable Installation

Installation of underground electrical lines between solar panels, inverters and substation.

3.4.6. Distribution Line Erection

Distribution line erection will involve the installation of overhead and underground electrical to connect the facility's substation to the local distribution grid.

3.4.7. Site Security

The project site will include perimeter fencing, construction warning signage, publicly contact information for Sitka Power, and site security protocols.

3.4.8. Operation

Once operational the Project solar facility will generate electricity to the local distribution grid. Periodic onsite inspections and monitoring will be conducted. Sitka Power will act as operator.

3.4.9. Operational Flexibility

There is currently no plan for changes or future expansion of the Project given the current interconnection capacity constraints. Should additional capacity become available, and the Landowner wish to grant further land access, an expansion could be considered, yet, in current form not being considered.

3.4.10. Maintenance and Inspection

Maintenance of the solar facility will include both scheduled and as-needed activities. These can include scheduled equipment maintenance, preventative measures, unplanned maintenance and equipment replacement, panel washing, and site/ground maintenance.

Planned maintenance will follow a pre-set schedule, with additional checks as needed. Any maintenance personnel will be trained to work in accordance with health and safety protocols.

3.4.11. Decommissioning

Project activities during the decommissioning phase will include removal of solar panel infrastructure, removal of inverters, substations, and transformers, solar panel recycling, removal of any fencing and roads, site grading and site restoration. A detailed decommissioning plan will be completed.

3.5. Ownership of the Land

The project is located on privately owned land. The Project proponents have finalized a long-term lease agreement, with the landowner to secure site access and development rights for the duration of the project lifecycle. There are maple trees and a sugar shack located on the Property with setbacks incorporated into the Project's design. This woodlands is noted in the environmental constraints desktop assessment described in section 4.

4. Potential Negative Environmental Effects

The environmental constraints assessment for the Solar Project Area and lands within 120 meters was conducted, including a background review and preparation of constraints mapping. This background review is based on publicly available secondary source information and Geographical Information System (GIS) data, including the following:

- Published Renewable Energy Approval (REA) setbacks, in accordance with the Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 359/09 and Natural Heritage Assessment Guide (NHAG) for Renewable Energy Projects (MNR, 2012);
- Ontario GeoHub (formerly Land Information Ontario) natural features (e.g., watercourses, water bodies, wetlands, woodlands, etc.);
- Conservation Authority natural heritage and hazard features (e.g., Environmentally Significant Areas, conservation areas, watershed plans);
- Vegetation and vegetation communities;
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Aquatic Species at Risk (SAR) mapping;

- Ontario Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) SAR occurrences and critical habitat mapping and natural features (e.g., Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest (ANSI), Provincial Parks, Conservation Reserves);
- Wildlife and wildlife habitat GIS datasets and atlases (e.g., Breeding Bird Atlas, Reptile and Amphibian Atlas);
- Significant Wildlife Habitat (SWH) defined in Ecoregion Criteria Schedules;
- Provincial SAR, including known ranges;
- Federal SAR (i.e., federally listed species for example fish and migratory birds, those included under the Migratory Birds Convention Act and Schedule 1 of the federal Species at Risk Act [SARA]);
- Surficial geology and bedrock geology;
- Topographical or digital elevation model (DEM) data;
- Canadian Land Inventory (CLI) Soil Classification;
- Important Bird Areas; and,
- First Nation Reserve and Treaty boundary mapping (publicly available online and to be confirmed through consultation with regulatory agencies and Indigenous communities going forward).

After the completion of the environmental desktop constraints report, noted constraints were documented and a site overview of the constraints is provided in Figure 2. This informed the next iteration of the Project's design and further studies to be conducted. See Figure 3 for the current proposed site layout. Below is a summary of the Desktop Constraints Analysis.

The Project area contains natural heritage features mapped by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) within including wetlands, woodlands and a watercourse located within the northeast and central portions of the solar project area and woodlands located in the western position.

Approximately 62.75 hectares of the site are considered developable with 51.01 hectares considered low constraint land and 11.74 hectares classified as medium constraints. There is 12.85 hectares classified as high constraint, associated with a watercourse (stream) regulated under the Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) Regulation (i.e., *Ontario Regulation 359/09*), potential significant woodlands and the Enbridge easement in the SPA. Development within medium-constraint areas will require site investigation and targeted field studies to confirm SAR presence, ecological significance, and appropriate setbacks.

Early consultation with the local municipality is recommended to confirm land use planning requirements, supported by a review of applicable Official Plans and Zoning By-laws. A woodland evaluation may need to be completed for the wooded areas within the Project location or 50 m setback to determine their significance to determine whether setbacks are required and/or compensation for removals.

If project drainage discharges to a ditch located more than 30 m from a watercourse, Fisheries Act authorization is not anticipated; however, any watercourse crossing may require review or authorization from Fisheries and Oceans Canada. If SAR habitat is confirmed and disturbance is proposed, approvals under the Endangered Species Act may be required. Regulatory requirements may evolve with the introduction of Ontario's proposed Species Conservation Act, expected to come into force in early 2026.

Sitka is continuing with advanced site investigations to address the medium-constraint areas and adjusted the SPA to remain outside the high-constraint areas.

4.1. Heritage and Archaeological Resources

An Archaeological Assessment will be completed in Spring of 2025. It is not currently anticipated that Project excavations will determine significant archaeological activity including investigations. This section will be updated with the conclusions generated from these reports and provide recommendations for the avoidance or mitigations of the identified negative environmental effects. Additional documents will be referenced to support the outcome of these reports.

4.2. Natural Heritage

An Environmental Impact Study and Natural Heritage Assessment will be completed in Spring/Summer of 2025. These are necessary to identify any environmental constraints, species at risk, and any other significant features which could be impacted by the Project.

A desktop environmental constraint and NHA analysis was undertaken with noted constraints identified. This report is the foundation for the next stages of studies and reports to be conducted and informed the next iteration of the solar project area.

As noted in section 4, areas of significance within the development site include wetlands, woodlands and a watercourse. The first iteration of site designs incorporated this to remain outside any high constraint areas and advised medium constraint setbacks.

4.3. Water Bodies

A watercourse is present on the northeast corner of the project site and is designated as “Environmental Protection (EP)” under the Township of Chatsworth Official Plan. This designation reflects the sensitivity and ecological significance of the area and mandates specific land use restrictions to protect the natural heritage functions.

As part of the project siting and design process, setbacks are required and incorporated to maintain a minimum of 30-metre buffer from the identified water course, in accordance with the Ontario Regulation 359/09. No construction activities, support structures or access roads are planned within the buffer zone.

A detailed water assessment and Environmental Impact Assessment will be completed in Spring to further characterize the water body and to identify any other potential negative impacts on water quality, aquatic habitat or surface drainage. Additionally, consultation with local conservation authorities and municipal planning department will occur to confirm regulatory compliance and any permitting requirements. This report will be updated to address if the Project will require water taking, contaminant spills, or surface water runoff

4.4. Air, Odour, Dust

Any potential negative environmental effects would occur during construction and maintenance phases of the Project. Any dust and combustion exhaust associated with the construction phase will be from the use and movement of construction vehicles. The completed Project will not introduce new emission sources of air contaminants, including odour or dust. Air emissions are not expected to pose a significant health risk to local population and would be characterized as a nuisance.

4.5. Noise

The solar facility includes electrical equipment such as transformers and inverters that produce a low, steady sound during operation. This sound is often described as a soft “hum” and is a normal characteristic of electrical equipment used to transmit electricity.

The main source of continuous sound at a solar facility is the collector substation transformer, which operates day and night. Other equipment, such as inverters and smaller step-up transformers, operate primarily during daylight hours when the solar panels are generating electricity. Studies of solar facilities show that these sound sources are predictable, steady, and do not involve impulsive or intermittent noise.

Noise from transformers and substations will be mitigated through designing the site to have the substation located behind a natural noise / visual barrier, have the transformers be central in the Project site (away from residential or neighbouring properties), and ensure selected equipment will meet industry standards. See Figure 3 for the location of the substation and transformer / inverters.

The noise generating equipment must not exceed 90 dBA sound power level thresholds. If the facility is constructed, sound levels can be verified after commissioning, and a complaint response process will be in place to address any noise concerns from the public.

Sitka is in the pre-consultation process with the Municipality and will document the required noise expectations / mitigations / monitoring during the construction period. A Noise Impact Assessment will be required as outlined in Table 1 of Ontario Regulation 359/09. The objective of the noise work would be to demonstrate that the facility is compliant with regulatory requirements pertaining to the types of operations that may occur at the facility.

4.6. Land Use and Resources

The proposed Project is located on privately owned rural land that is currently used for agricultural activities. The Project has been sited to minimize disruption to existing land uses, and to incorporate agrivoltaics principles to maintain the agricultural productivity. This dual land use approach supports continued agricultural operations and enhances local land use efficiency. As mentioned, the site access will be off Concession 2A to avoid Highway 6 & 10 during construction in effort to minimize the impact to Neighbours. No residential or commercial uses are directly impacted by the Project once commercial. The proposed development is anticipated to require bylaw rezoning at the county level to ensure compatibility with rural land uses. The project will not affect mineral or aggregate resources, forestry operations or recreational uses. As the consultation process continues, any negative effects on local interests, land use, and infrastructure, with associated mitigation measures, will be updated to reflect comments received.

4.7. Provincial and Local Infrastructure

The Project is not anticipated to have potential negative effects on provincial or local infrastructure. Temporary impacts to municipal roadways may occur during construction due to delivery of materials and equipment. The site will be accessed from Concession Rd 2A to avoid the busier Highway 6 & 10. Consultation with the County will identify mitigations to reduce any impact to local infrastructure. This report will be updated to describe the significance of these impacts and mitigation plans.

No public utilities (such as water or wastewater) are anticipated to be disrupted by the Project. The project will connect to the local distribution grid through a new point of interconnection, which will be planned in collaboration with the local utility to meet interconnection requirements standards and capacity.

4.8. Public Health and Safety

The project poses minimal risk to public health and safety. Once operation, solar facilities are non-emitting, low-noise and do not involve hazardous substances. Safety measures will be in place during construction, operation and decommissioning phases including, permitter fencing, signage, and compliance with all applicable health and safety regulations. An emergency response and communications plan will be developed for the Design and Operations Report.

4.9. Areas Protected under Provincial Plans and Policies

The project has been designed to avoid negative effects on areas protected under provincial plans and policies. The currently known designations relevant to the Project site are "Environmental Protection" in the Grey County Official Plan. The designation will be mapped and incorporated into the Project design to ensure appropriate setbacks and to avoid potential negative effects. Setbacks have been included in the current site design to avoid any Provincially significant features and further studies are planned between the months of April to July to identify any further significant features not captured in the desktop study and initial site visit.

The site is outside the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area and no impacts are expected on provincially significant wetlands, areas of natural and scientific interest or other designated conservation lands.

5. Stakeholder Consultation and Timelines

5.1. Consultation

5.1.1. First Nation

As part of the Renewable Energy Approval (REA) process, the Project proponent recognizes the importance of early, transparent and meaningful engagement with Indigenous communities. A draft version of the PDR will be prepared and made available for review and comment prior to finalization. On August 5, 2025, Sitka received correspondence from the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) acknowledging receipt of a Project Description Report for the Project. As part of the Renewable Energy Approval ("REA") process under the Environmental Protection Act (O. Reg. 359/09), MECP reviewed the anticipated environmental effects of the Project and provided a list of Indigenous communities who have or may have constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty rights that may be adversely impacted by the Project. The communities identified were the Chippewas of Nawash (Nawash) and Saugeen First Nation (Saugeen).

Initial consultation meetings were held in November with the Chippewas of Nawash and Saugeen First Nation whose traditional territories and ancestral lands are nearest to the Project site. A Joint Council, the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON), exists between both Nawash and Saugeen to act as a shared resources for issues and

opportunities related to both Nations. A follow up meeting with SON's Environment Office was held in January to share introduce the Proponent, the Project, and share the environmental studies planned to begin the required environmental consultation process and coordinate the incorporation of Traditional Knowledge, utilizing SON's Environment Office, into the studies and reports. Further details of these meetings will be document in the Consultation Report.

Saugeen and Nawash communities will be sent a Project and Consultation notification letter to continue this consultation process. Sitka will provide this report and further environmental studies, as available, to receive feedback on any negative risk or impacts to the rights of these communities. Any feedback will be document in the Consultation report to note this and the proposed mitigation.

5.1.2. Municipality Consultation

The Project proponent has initiated consultation with the host municipality, the Township of Chatsworth and Grey County. Sitka has provided the first draft Project Description Report, received a Municipal Support Resolution, commenced pre-consultation discussions with planning and development, and send REA studies when available. Sitka Power hosted a public open house on July 23, 2025 which was not REA compliant (insufficient notification documents) and will host two REA compliant Municipal Engagement Townhall meetings to inform the public about the development project.

Sitka met with Grey County's planning department on January 22, 2026, to understand the development approval process and consultation expectations. Sitka plans to work with the Clerk and Planning Department to engage other municipal services, such as the Fire Department, to understand any concerns and/or requests of the department. From this feedback, avoidance, mitigation plans, or studies will be provided to the department. The templated Consultation Form 2095e will be sent with the draft Project Description Report to the clerks of the Township of Chatsworth and Grey County with the request to disseminate to Local Services and Planning Boards. It is the intention for this information to formally begin the pre-consultation process for permitting and development planning approval.

Additional details of this consultation process will be made available in the Consultation Report with location of information within this report documented here.

5.2. Project Description Report Timeline

Stage	Stakeholders Involved	Description	Milestone
Draft PDR Preparation	Director of MECP	Provide draft PDR to receive First Nations Consultation list.	Prior to formal consultation
Initial Consultation / Public Open House	Municipalities, Public, First Nations	Initiate discussions, receive feedback and concerns on the draft PDR and other consultation engagement.	July 23, 2025
Project Notification / Public Meeting Notice	Nawash / Saugeen	Sent letter to inform of project and next open house	March 2, 2026

Circulation of Draft PDR	Nawash / Saugeen	Shared update PDR to receive feedback from community.	March 5, 2026
Landowner Notice Letters	Public	Physical letters delivered to neighbouring lands.	March 1, 2026
Public Meeting Notice	General public	Notification issued for the mandatory public meeting	March 5, 2026
Public Meeting	General public, municipality, First Nations	Host meeting to present project details, discuss PDR findings, and obtain public feedback.	April 8, 2026
First Nation Community Meeting	Saugeen and Nawash	Host meeting to present project details, discuss PDR findings, and obtain public feedback.	Spring or Summer 2026 – Date not yet finalized.
Finalization of PDR	Internal	Review consultation feedback, revise PDR and finalize supporting documentation	Following public meeting.
Final PDR Submission	Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks	Submit final PDR as part of the full REA package.	Targeting Fall 2026
Ongoing Engagement including Public Meetings	Municipalities, Public, First Nations	Continued communication post-submission.	Ongoing through permitting and construction.

6. Appendices

6.1. Technical specifications of solar PV modules

To be provided post-recommendation from third-party Engineering Consultants.

6.2. Supporting studies or reports (e.g., environmental, archaeological)

The following is a list of supporting studies and documents to be submitted:

- Cultural Heritage & Archaeological Assessment Report
- Natural Heritage Assessment Report
- Water Assessment Report
- Consultation Plan Report
- Construction Plan Report
- Design and Operations Report
- Decommissioning Plan Report
- Environmental Impact Study

6.3. Copies of permissions or land agreements

Land agreements and permissions to be provided once executed.

6.4. Additional maps or figures

- Figure 1 – Property map view
- Figure 2 – Property constraints from desktop constraints memo
- Figure 3 – Current solar project design

7. Additional Maps and Figures

Figure 1 - Project location and Land within 300 metres of the project location.



