

Maryland Department of the Environment

Water and Science Administration

Notice of Application for a Wetlands and Waterways authorization and the opportunity to provide written comments

The Water and Science Administration is reviewing the following applications for a Wetlands and Waterways authorization. The applications and related information are on file at the Administration. Arrangements may be made for inspection and copying of file materials. Interested parties may provide written comment on the application or request an informational hearing on any listed application. A request for a hearing must be in writing and provide the following information: 1) Name, Address, and Telephone Number of the person making the request; 2) The identity of any other person(s) the requestor is representing; and 3) the specific issues proposed to be considered at the hearing. Please refer to the case number (i.e., 00-NT-0000) which identifies each application. Address correspondence to: Wetlands and Waterways Program, Water and Science Administration, 1800 Washington Boulevard Baltimore, Maryland, 21230. Telephone (410) 537-3456. Written comments must be received on or before March 13, 2019.

Charles County

201861760/18-NT-0323: MD Solar 1, LLC., 800 Bickell Avenue, Suite 100 Miami, Florida, 33131 has applied to construct a 32.5 Megawatt, fixed-tilt solar panel array to provide energy to Georgetown University. The project will include site clearing and grubbing of approximately 249 acres, the installation of modular solar panels, access and maintenance roads, an electrical substation, overhead connection lines, security fence and screening landscaping. The project will permanently impact 15,670 square feet of the nontidal wetlands 25 foot buffer, 40 linear feet of stream and convert 4,550 square feet of palustrine forested wetland to emergent wetland. The project will also temporarily impact 22 linear feet of stream. The project area is within the Wards Run watershed, which includes two Tier II stream segments designated as high quality waters. No mitigation is currently required. The project is located at 4850 Shugart Valley Place, La Plata in Charles County. A public informational hearing has been scheduled for 6-9 pm February 27, 2019 at the Charles County Government Commissioners meeting Room, 200 Baltimore St, La Plata, MD 20646. **A hearing was previously scheduled for February 14, 2019 from 6-9pm at the Charles County Government Commissioners meeting room, 200 Baltimore St, La Plata, MD 20646. Please note this hearing has been rescheduled for February 27, 2019 at the same time and location.** Site plans will be available for review from 6-7pm and questions may be asked of the applicant and the Department at this time. The public informational hearing will begin promptly at 7:00 pm and end at 9:00 pm. Written comments and requests to be included on the interested persons list may be sent by March 13, 2019 to the Maryland Department of the Environment, Attn: Jeff Thompson, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21230 or at Jeffrey.thompson@maryland.gov or 410-537-3828. Any further notices concerning actions on the application will be provided only by mail to those persons on the interested persons list. Please refer to Subsection 5-907 of the Annotated Code of Maryland or the Code of Maryland Regulations 26.23.02 for information regarding the application process.