Bridgehampton to Buell New 69 kV Underground Transmission Cable					
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# APPENDIX W NYNHP CORRESPONDENCE – ALTERNATIVE ROUTES, NOVEMBER 30, 2021

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To: Emouna, Hannah

[EXTERNAL] Confirmation of your submitted request to New York Natural Heritage Subject:

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Submitted values are:

Company, Organization, or Agency: PSEG LI

Requestor Name: Hannah Emouna

Requestor Address (Street/PO Box): 999 Stewart Ave

Requestor City: Bethpage Requestor State: New York Requestor Zip Code: 11714

Requestor Telephone #: (516)738-6177 Requestor Email: hannah.emouna@pseg.com Project Type: electric utility/transmission line Project Name: Bridgehampton to Buell- Alternatives

Project Applicant: PSEGLI as Agent for the Long Island Lighting Company d/b/a LIPA, a wholly owned subsidiary

of the Long Island Power Authority

Project County: Suffolk Town (Suffolk County):

- East Hampton

- Southampton

**Project Summary:** 

The Proposed Action is the installation of a new underground 69kV transmission cable from the Bridgehampton Substation located on Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike in the Town of Southampton to the Buell Substation located on Cove Hollow Road in the Town of East Hampton (approximately 5.2 miles). The new underground cable is designed to be installed below grade within the existing LIPA owned and/or controlled overhead right-of-way (ROW). Existing overhead circuits are currently located within the ROW and will remain under the Proposed Action. The Proposed Action is intended to address transmission system constraints resulting from increased load demand from customers on the South Fork of Long Island.

This request support two routes outlined in the Alternative Actions to be discussed in the Environmental Impact Statement.

Current Land Use: Predominately maintained roadways and road shoulders

Tax parcel number:

Latitude: Longitude:

Street Address of Project:

**Project Notes:** 

#### NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Division of Fish and Wildlife, New York Natural Heritage Program 625 Broadway, Fifth Floor, Albany, NY 12233-4757 P: (518) 402-8935 | F: (518) 402-8925 www.dec.ny.gov

November 30, 2021

Hannah Emouna PSEG LI 999 Stewart Ave Bethpage, NY 11714

Re: Bridgehampton to Buell- Alternatives

County: Suffolk Town/City: East Hampton, Southampton

Dear Hannah Emouna:

In response to your recent request, we have reviewed the New York Natural Heritage Program database with respect to the above project.

Enclosed is a report of rare or state-listed animals and plants, and significant natural communities that our database indicates occur in the vicinity of the project site.

For most sites, comprehensive field surveys have not been conducted; the enclosed report only includes records from our database. We cannot provide a definitive statement as to the presence or absence of all rare or state-listed species or significant natural communities. Depending on the nature of the project and the conditions at the project site, further information from on-site surveys or other sources may be required to fully assess impacts on biological resources.

The presence of the plants and animals identified in the enclosed report may result in this project requiring additional review or permit conditions. For further guidance, and for information regarding other permits that may be required under state law for regulated areas or activities (e.g., regulated wetlands), please contact the NYS DEC Region 1 Office, Division of Environmental Permits, at dep.r1@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

Heidi Krahling

Environmental Review Specialist New York Natural Heritage Program





## The following state-listed animals have been documented in the vicinity of the project site.

The following list includes animals that are listed by NYS as Endangered, Threatened, or Special Concern; and/or that are federally listed.

For information about any permit considerations for the project, please contact the Permits staff at the NYSDEC Region 1 Office at dep.r1@dec.ny.gov, 631-444-0365.

The following species has been documented at the Bridgehampton Sag Harbor Turnpike section of the project site.

**Amphibians** 

COMMON NAME SCIENTIFIC NAME NY STATE LISTING FEDERAL LISTING

Tiger Salamander Ambystoma tigrinum Endangered 5357

The following species have been documented within 1/4 mile of the Bridgehampton Sag Harbor Turnpike and Montauk Highway sections of the project site.

COMMON NAME SCIENTIFIC NAME NY STATE LISTING FEDERAL LISTING

**Butterflies** 

Hessel's Hairstreak Callophrys hesseli Endangered 7257

**Dragonflies and Damselflies** 

Scarlet Bluet Enallagma pictum Threatened 4125

Pine Barrens Bluet Enallagma recurvatum Threatened 8343

The following species has been documented within 2/3 mile of the Bridgehamptom Sag Harbor Turnpike section of the project site.

COMMON NAME SCIENTIFIC NAME NY STATE LISTING FEDERAL LISTING

Birds

Bald Eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus Threatened 17171

Breeding

The following species has been documented within one mile of the Hampton Street section of the project site. Individual animals may travel 1.5 miles from documented locations.

COMMON NAME SCIENTIFIC NAME NY STATE LISTING FEDERAL LISTING

**Mammals** 

Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis Threatened Threatened 15065

Non-winter location -- acoustic detector

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This report only includes records from the NY Natural Heritage database.

If any rare plants or animals are documented during site visits, we request that information on the observations be provided to the New York Natural Heritage Program so that we may update our database.

Information about many of the listed animals in New York, including habitat, biology, identification, conservation, and management, are available online in Natural Heritage's Conservation Guides at www.guides.nynhp.org, and from NYSDEC at www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7494.html.

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## Report on Rare Animals, Rare Plants, and Significant Natural Communities

The following rare animals, rare plants, and significant natural communities have been documented at or within about 1/4 mile of the project site.

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	NY STATE LISTING	HERITAGE CONSERVATION STATUS*		
Location: At and surrounding East Hampton Airport					
Moths					
Coastal Barrens Buckmoth	Hemileuca maia ssp. 5	Special Concern	S2		
Upland/Terrestrial Communities					
Pitch Pine-Oak Forest			S2S3		
Location: Little Northwest Creek	and adjacent State Tidal V	Vetlands			
Dragonflies and Damselflies					
Rambur's Forktail	Ischnura ramburii	Unlisted	S2S3		
Vascular Plants					
Marsh Straw Sedge	Carex hormathodes	Threatened	S2S3		
Stuve's Bush Clover	Lespedeza stuevei	Threatened	S2		
Southern Seaside Goldenrod	Solidago mexicana	Endangered	S1		
Annual Saltmarsh Aster	Symphyotrichum subulatum var. subulatum	Threatened	S2S3		
Sedge Rush	Juncus scirpoides var. scirpoides	Endangered	S1		
Large Grass-leaved Rush	Juncus biflorus	Endangered	S1		
Coastal Goldenrod	Solidago latissimifolia	Endangered	S1		
Perennial Saltmarsh Aster	Symphyotrichum tenuifolium var. tenuifolium	Threatened	S2		
Zigzag Bladderwort	Utricularia subulata	Rare	S2		
Wetland/Aquatic Communities					
Sea Level Fen			S1		

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Unlisted

S3

### Location: Along sections of Bridgehampton Sag Harbor Turnpike and Sag Harbor Turnpike

**Upland/Terrestrial Communities** 

COMMON NAME

Coastal Oak-Heath Forest S3

Location:	At/near Sag Harbor Ponds East of Bridgehampton Sag Harbor Turnpike

Dragonflies and Damselflies	
New England Bluet	Enallagma laterale

Comet Darner	Anax longipes	Unlisted	S2S3
Atlantic Bluet	Enallagma doubledayi	Unlisted	S1S2
Mantled Baskettail	Epitheca semiaquea	Unlisted	S2
Spatterdock Darner	Rhionaeschna mutata	Unlisted	S2
Martha's Pennant	Celithemis martha	Unlisted	S2
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#### Vascular Plants

Small White Snakeroot	Ageratina aromatica	Endangered	S1

Location: At/near Slate Pond

Vascular Plants

Creeping St. John's Wort	Hypericum adpressum	Threatened	S2
Narrow-leaved Bush Clover	Lespedeza angustifolia	Threatened	S2
Toothcup	Rotala ramosior	Threatened	S2
Cut-leaved Evening Primrose	Oenothera laciniata	Endangered	S1

Wetland/Aquatic Communities

Coastal Plain Pond Shore S2

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COMMON NAME SCIENTIFIC NAME NY STATE LISTING HERITAGE CONSERVATION STATUS\*

Location: Swamp Road

Vascular Plants

Orange Crested Orchid Platanthera cristata Endangered S1

Location: Toppings Path Road

Moths

 Aureolaria Seed Borer
 Pyrrhia aurantiago
 Unlisted
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- \* Conservation status in NYS as ranked by NY Natural Heritage Program on a 1 to 5 scale:
  - S1 = Critically imperiled
  - S2 = Imperiled
  - S3 = Rare or uncommon
  - S4 = Abundant and apparently secure
  - S5 = Demonstrably abundant and secure

B after one of the above ranks indicates the status rank is for breeding populations only.

N after one of the above ranks indicates the status rank is for nonbreeding wintering populations only.

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