

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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March 7, 2024

Justin LaCorte
PSEG Long Island
175 East Old Country Road
Hicksville, NY 11801

Re: Miller Place New Underground Feeders and Overhead Conversion and Reinforcement
C&R Project
County: Suffolk Town/City: Brookhaven

Dear Justin LaCorte:

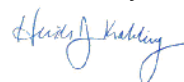
In response to your recent request, we have reviewed the New York Natural Heritage Program database with respect to the above project.

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 Krahlting
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, contact the NYSDEC Region 1 Office, Division of Environmental Permits, at dep.r1@dec.ny.gov, 631-444-0365.

The following species has been documented within 3 miles of the project site. Individual animals may travel 3 miles from documented locations. The main impact of concern is the cutting or removal of potential roost trees.

<i>COMMON NAME</i>	<i>SCIENTIFIC NAME</i>	<i>NY STATE LISTING</i>	<i>FEDERAL LISTING</i>	
Mammals				
Northern Long-eared Bat <i>Nonbreeding, non-winter</i>	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Endangered	Endangered	14540

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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.



The following rare plants, rare animals, and significant natural communities have been documented at the project site, or in its vicinity.

We recommend that potential impacts of the proposed project on these species or communities be addressed as part of any environmental assessment or review conducted as part of the planning, permitting and approval process, such as reviews conducted under SEQR. Field surveys of the project site may be necessary to determine the status of a species at the site, particularly for sites that are currently undeveloped and may contain suitable habitat. Final requirements of the project to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential impacts are determined by the lead permitting agency or the government body approving the project.

The following significant natural communities are considered significant from a statewide perspective by the NY Natural Heritage Program. They are either occurrences of a community type that is rare in the state, or a high quality example of a more common community type. By meeting specific, documented criteria, the NY Natural Heritage Program considers these community occurrences to have high ecological and conservation value.

<i>COMMON NAME</i>	<i>SCIENTIFIC NAME</i>	<i>NY STATE LISTING</i>	<i>HERITAGE CONSERVATION STATUS</i>
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Wetland/Aquatic Communities

Marine Intertidal Mudflats

Rare Community Type

Documented within 100 yards north of the Shore Road portion of the project site. This is a large mudflats presumed to be in fair to good condition set within a fair to good quality landscape with residential development to the east, south, and west; and with the open water of Mount Sinai Harbor, Cedar Beach barrier spit, and Long Island Sound to the north. 16813

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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.

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LETTER OF NO JURISDICTION ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT

April 5, 2024

PSEG Long Island LLC
175 E Old Country Rd
Hicksville, NY 11801

Re: Application # 1-4722-07316/00001
Facility: Miller Place Substation
0 Mt Sinai Coram Rd, Mt Sinai, NY
SCTM# 200-117-1-4.4

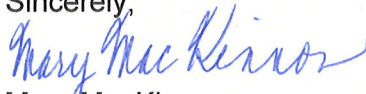
Dear Applicant:

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has determined that your proposal to clear approximately .5 acres in order to improve the Miller Place Substation located at 0 Mt Sinai Coram Rd, Mt Sinai is not likely to result in the "take" of threatened or endangered species. This determination is based on the information you submitted on March 11, 2024 and our field biologist's review. Though Northern Long-eared Bats are known to occur at or near your project location, the DEC does not anticipate your proposed action to result in a "take". Therefore, no permit is required at this time pursuant to the implementing regulations (6NYCRR Part 182) of the New York State Endangered Species Act (Article 11-0535).

Be advised that any changes in location, expansion of the footprint of the project, modifications of the scope, or changes in the timing of proposed actions that are not identified in the submission referenced above may trigger DEC authorization. Please reinstate contact with this office if such activities are contemplated.

Please note that this letter does not relieve you of the responsibility of obtaining any necessary permits or approvals from other agencies or local municipalities.

Sincerely,



Mary MacKinnon
Permit Administrator

cc: Wildlife Unit
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