

## Orange County Department of Planning

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## County Reply - Mandatory Review of Local Planning Action as per NYS General Municipal Law §239-l, m, &n

Local Referring Board: Town of Chester Planning Board

Applicant: Hudson Solar

Project Name: Hudson Solar - Citizens

Proposed Action: Site Plan for installation of 300 kW solar array

Reason for County Review: Within 500 feet of County Routes 13 and 82

Date of Full Statement: May 4, 2017

## Comments:

The Department has received the above referenced site plan and has found no evidence that significant intermunicipal or countywide impacts would result from its approval. We would like to offer the following advisory comments:

Visibility: The proposed solar array will cover 1.48 acres of the Orange County Citizens Foundation property, close to both Kings Highway (County Route 13) and Bellvale Road (County Route 82), and may be visible from both those roads and the Seligmann Studio. We advise the Town to evaluate the visibility of the solar array by conducting a visual impact assessment. In order to protect driver safety on the roads and minimize visual impacts from the studio, vegetative screening or other measures may be necessary.

County Recommendation: Local Determination

Date: June 5, 2017

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As per NYS General Municipal Law 239-m & n, within 30 days of municipal final action on the above referred project, the referring board must file a report of the final action taken with the County Planning Department. For such filing, please use the final action report form attached to this review or available online at www.orangecountygov.com/planning.