From: David Mayer
Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2022 3:48 PM
To: Puco ContactOPSB <contactopsb@puco.ohio.gov>
Subject: Re: Chair French Request to Halt Solar in Ohio from Shane Wilkin, 91st House Member

Please include in the public record for Case No(s) 21-0041-EL-BGN (Palomino) the response from the Office of Mr. Wilkin to Status of Letter Sent In regards to Letter to Chair French from Mr. Wilkin.

RE: Mr. Wilkin's letter Chair French was obtained from Public Comments from PUCO site Case should be 20-1288-EL-BGN (HECATE).

On Thu, Jul 21, 2022 at 10:03 AM David Mayer <<u>davidanthonymayer@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Hailey Holbrook,

Thank you for the update.

At the June 29th testimony in Hillsboro, Ohio, almost everyone was pro industrial solar except myself.

Many of these people complained about the increased setbacks.

I will share your response with my Facebook team.

Thank you for the update.

David A. Mayer

On Wed, Jul 20, 2022, 3:45 PM <u>Rep91@ohiohouse.gov</u> <<u>Rep91@ohiohouse.gov</u>> wrote:

Hi David,

The Ohio Power Sitting Board (OPSB) acknowledged they received his letter. Chair French recently joined Rep. Wilkin in the district to see the project first hand. OPSB issued <u>draft solar</u> and wind rules on June 16th as part of the Board's five-year rule review of Ohio Administrative Code 4609-1 through 4606-7. The OPSB indicated in their response that Wilkin's concerns regarding setbacks, fencing, and vegetative screening have been shared and "will receive due consideration in their pending rule review and all current and future OPSB projects before the Board."

OPSB invites all interested persons to submit comments on the proposed rules by July 22, 2022 and submit reply comments by Aug. 12, 2022. Comments should be filed in the <u>21-902-GE-BRO</u> case docket. Among other items, changes recommended in the proposed rules include:

- Local public meetings: requiring a developer subject to Senate Bill 52 requirements to hold two meetings before an application is filed a scoping meeting and a public informational meeting
- Solar setbacks: requiring a minimum setback of 150 ft. from non-participating parcel boundaries; a setback of at least 300 ft. from non-participating residences; and a setback of at least 150 ft. from edge of any road
- Vegetative screening: requiring a landscape plan that addresses aesthetic impacts of the facility through measures such as shrubs or pollinator plantings; vegetative screening would be maintained for life of facility
- Agricultural fencing: requiring fencing to be both small-wildlife permeable and aesthetically fitting for the location
- Noxious weeds: requiring applicant to prevent and address noxious weeds during construction, operation, and decommissioning

Best,

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From: David please <<u>Davidanthonymayer@gmail.com</u>>
Sent: Friday, July 15, 2022 4:34 PM
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Subject: Chair French Request to Halt Solar in Ohio

First Name : David Last Name : please Address : 107 Westover Drive City : Hillsboro State : OH Zip : 45133 Phone : (415) 409-3283 Email : <u>Davidanthonymayer@gmail.com</u> Subject : Chair French Request to Halt Solar in Ohio Message : Mr. Wilkin, Did you ever receive a response from Chair French? As reported in The Highland County Press link below.

https://highlandcountypress.com/Content/In-The-News/In-The-News/Article/Rep-Shane-Wilkin-calls-for-a-halt-to-utility-scale-solar-projects-in-Ohio/2/20/79379

Please advise.

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