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Our Commonwealth needs every available resource to combat escalating climate change. It is essential that we continue to develop clean energy, but it should not come at the expense of existing natural resources that are critical to our climate resiliency and the preservation of biodiversity. For this reason, as you are drafting energy siting regulations and guidelines, I urge you to ensure that energy projects be required to focus on environments that are already build out or disturbed, and that they <u>not</u> be allowed on (a) land that has been clear cut within the prior 5 years, (b) sensitive wildlife habitat, or (c) Article 97 protected open space (unless being added to already built out areas such as parking lots).

Thank you,

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