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Thank you for taking my comment, even though it is last minute and I am just a simple property owner. But here are my key things for you to consider when citing solar.

You already know that it should be a low score for citing it in pristine forest. But it also needs to be even lower if it is near wetlands and should not be allowed in buffer zones of wetlands either. So criteria rating should be very low or a zero in these cases

BESS units should not be allowed in or near wetlands. Zero criteria rating.

BESS units should not be allowed in towns with small volunteer fire departments. I would suggest they should be banned if the volunteer fire department has less than 8 volunteer fire fights available at any one time. If not outright banned in small towns with volunteer fire departments, the criteria rating should be zero. Many small town volunteer fire departments have only 2 firefighters available during the day, as most others work in full time jobs, and these are often retirees.

Thank you for taking this last minute input.

