

Hello,

I attended the recent public hearing on the new MEPA regulations, and I have a couple of comments that I would like to submit.

1. If the review threshold for proximity to an EJ community is met, which would trigger a narrative regarding potential impacts and disproportionate burdens within such a community, are there guidelines for how the applicant should address “existing environmental burden” and “disproportionate adverse impacts,” assuming that these terms will be defined in the regulations?
2. If there are significant environmental or public health impacts found within the EJ community in question, are there provisions in the regulations for how the applicant should engage with these communities to ensure that appropriate and context-specific mitigation is proposed?

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration.

Regards,

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