

SMART Public Comments

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Dear Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources,

I am writing to comment on the Department's Emergency Regulations for the Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target (SMART) program. I thank the Department for listening to the concerns of AMC and many others and responding by adding the prohibition of solar energy development on land where at least 50 percent of the parcel's area is designated as Priority Habitat, Core Habitat, or Critical Natural Landscape, as well as developing a webmapping tool to help identify these areas.

Additionally, I would like the Department to increase the Greenfield Subtractor and apply the subtractor to the whole footprint of the development, not just the solar arrays.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Department's SMART emergency regulations.

Sincerely,
Gary Martin