

Short Environmental Assessment Form

Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

| Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information | | | |
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| Name of Action or Project: Town of Olive New Cold Storage Highway Garage Project | | | |
| Project Location (describe, and attach a location map): Town of Olive Highway Department: 45 Watson Hollow Rd, West Shokan, NY 12494 | | | |
| Brief Description of Proposed Action: The Town of Olive is proposing to construct a new cold storage facility at their existing Town Highway Department property. The Town's existing cold storage building will be demolished, and a new 9,107 square-foot multi-bay cold storage facility will be constructed in its place. The project location is shown in the attached Figure 1. | | | |
| Name of Applicant or Sponsor: Jim Sofranko | | Telephone: (845) 657-6117 E-Mail: olivesupervisor@gmail.com | |
| Address: PO Box 180 | | | |
| City/PO: West Shokan | | State: NY | Zip Code: 12494 |
| 1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2. | | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: | | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? _____ 15 acres | | | |
| b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed? _____ 0.2 acres | | | |
| c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? _____ 15 acres | | | |
| 4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action: | | | |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban) | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other(Specify): Municipal | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parkland | | | |

| 5. Is the proposed action, | NO | YES | N/A |
|---|---|---|--------------------------|
| a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape? | NO <input type="checkbox"/> | YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? If Yes, identify: _____ | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels? b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action? c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action? | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies: The proposed action will meet the state energy code requirements. _____ | NO <input type="checkbox"/> | YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____ Building will not require potable water - open storage facility | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____ Building will not generate wastewater - open storage facility | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places? b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory? | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency? b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____ | NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | |

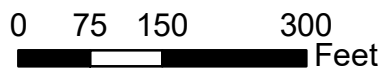
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| 14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural/grasslands <input type="checkbox"/> Early mid-successional <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suburban | | |
| 15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered? | NO | YES |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan? | NO | YES |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources? If Yes, a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties? b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe: _____ Stormwater runoff will be addressed on site based on existing stormwater attenuation. No changes are proposed. _____ | NO | YES |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment: _____ _____ | NO | YES |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 49. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility? If Yes, describe: _____ _____ | NO | YES |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe: _____ _____ | NO | YES |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE Applicant/sponsor/name: <u>Jim Sofranko</u> Date: _____ Signature: _____ Title: <u>Town Supervisor</u> | | |

Legend

 Existing Town of Olive Property



Source: Esri, Maxar, Earthstar Geographics, and the GIS User Community



Path: K:\Projects\210022\6001\Projects\Aerial Project Location map.mxd

Project:

Date:

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Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept “Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?”

| | No, or small impact may occur | Moderate to large impact may occur |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Will the proposed action impact existing: | | |
| a. public / private water supplies? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SI | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NI | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Project:

Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered “moderate to large impact may occur”, or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

Small Impacts Identified in Part 2 of the Short Environmental Assessment Form

2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?

Based on the project design, the proposed building footprint will be slightly larger than that of the existing building. This will result in a slight increase in land use intensity at the Town's highway department property. The new building will be in the same location of an existing cold storage building and will be sited within the previously disturbed site limits. The project will involve approximately 0.2 acres of ground disturbance associated with construction. Erosion and sediment control measures will be implemented during construction to prevent increased sedimentation from leaving the immediate work area. Temporarily disturbed areas will be restored after construction is complete.

9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?

The disturbance limits for the new building will be limited to the existing, developed highway department property, including the existing building and surrounding parking lot. The USFWS Information for Planning and Consultation database reported the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*, endangered), Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*, endangered), and monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*, candidate) for the project site. In general, trees greater than or equal to 3 inches in diameter provide suitable habitat for both bat species. The monarch butterfly relies on open fields and meadows with milkweed species and other nectar-rich plants. Suitable habitat for the reported species is not present within the project's disturbance limits, and no tree clearing is proposed. There are no known northern long-eared bat or Indiana bat hibernacula within 0.5 miles of the project site. The nearest hibernaculum is approximately 12 miles southeast of the project site in the Town of Rosendale. The USFWS Northern Long-Eared Bat Rangewide Determination Key and Northeast Endangered Species Determination Key were completed and resulted in "No Effect" determinations for both bat species. No adverse impacts to the monarch butterfly are anticipated. The NYSDEC Environmental Resource Mapper was reviewed to evaluate state listed species records. This search reported "Plants and animals listed as endangered or threatened" for the project site, but species level information was not provided. The NYSDEC New York Nature Explorer database did not report any species records for the project site. Additional information regarding state species records was requested from the NY Natural Heritage Program and a response is pending. Given the developed and disturbed conditions of the project site, no adverse impacts to wildlife habitat are anticipated.

10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?

Construction of the new building will result in no net increase in impervious surface, as the construction limits for the new building already consist of impervious cover. Temporary increases in erosion may occur during construction due to ground disturbances. Proper erosion and sediment controls will be implemented during construction which will ensure that turbid stormwater runoff does not leave the project site. No permanent changes in stormwater attenuation on site are anticipated.

- Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.
- Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

Town of Olive

Name of Lead Agency

Jim Sofranko

Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency

Date

Town Supervisor

Title of Responsible Officer

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)