

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION AND
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT SCOPING MEETINGS**

Issued: November 3, 2025

**In the Matter of the Application of Lemon Hill Solar, LLC for a Site Permit for the up to 180
MW Lemon Hill Solar Project in Olmsted County, MN**

Docket Number: IP7156/GS-25-126

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) will hold public information and environmental assessment scoping meetings on the application of Lemon Hill Solar, LLC (Lemon Hill) for a site permit application to construct and operate a 180 megawatt (MW) photovoltaic solar energy generating facility and associated infrastructure (project) in Olmsted County, Minnesota. Ranger Power is developing the project on behalf of Lemon Hill.

The project footprint is approximately 1,945 acres of agricultural land, of which approximately 966 acres are proposed to be used for the operation of the project. The project is proposed to include: bi-facial PV modules affixed to tracking systems that allow the PV modules to follow the sun from east to west; inverters; transformers; an electrical collection system; access roads; security fencing; security cameras and lighting; a collector substation; an operations and maintenance building; parking; stormwater retention ponds; weather stations; temporary laydown areas; approximately 530 feet of 161 kilovolt (kV) transmission generation tie-line; and ancillary equipment and buildings. (See the attached Project Overview Map).

In-Person Meetings

Date	Time	Location
November 19, 2025	11:30 – Noon (Open House) Noon – 2:30 p.m. (Meeting)	125 Live 125 Elton Hills Dr. NW, Rochester, MN 55901
November 19, 2025	5:30 pm – 6:00 p.m. (Open House) 6:00 pm – 9:00 p.m. (Meeting)	125 Live 125 Elton Hills Dr. NW, Rochester, MN 55901

The purpose of the meeting is to: (1) provide information about the proposed project and the state's permitting process; and (2) provide an opportunity for the public to participate in developing the scope of the environmental assessment.

Doors will open 30 minutes prior to each meeting to provide attendees an opportunity to review the application, maps, and other materials for the proposed project and ask questions of state staff and the applicant. ***During this open house time, comments made by attendees will become a part of the record for Commission consideration only if the attendee submits the comment in writing.*** Forms will be available for this purpose.

State staff and the applicant will both make presentations during the meeting. State staff will explain the permitting and environmental review processes, and the applicant will provide an overview of the proposed project. Following the presentations, attendees will have the opportunity to offer oral and written comments for the record. The meetings will end when all attendees have had the opportunity to comment and all other business has concluded, or the scheduled end time of the meeting, whichever occurs first. The information presented will be the same at all in-person and online meetings.

If any reasonable accommodation is needed to enable you to fully participate in these meetings, please contact the Commission at 651-296-0406 or 1-800-657-3782 at least one week in advance of the meeting. To find out if a meeting is canceled due to bad weather or other reason, call 1-855-731-6208 or visit mn.gov/puc.

Online Meeting via WebEx

Date: November 20, 2025

Time: 6:00 pm

Join by WebEx (Webinar) Link:

<https://minnesota.webex.com/minnesota/j.php?MTID=m9e1c2d81139186a063479addcdd6fefb>

Webinar Number: 2493 109 5863

Webinar Password: MnPUC! (667820 when dialing from a phone or video system)

Join by Phone: 1-855-282-6330 **Access Code:** 2493 109 5863

If you are joining the meeting via WebEx and would like to ask a question or make a comment during the designated portion of the meeting, use the chat or raised-hand functions to send a message to the meeting moderator. If you are joining the meeting by phone, press *3 on your phone. When it is your turn to speak, your line will be unmuted, and you will be able to ask questions and provide comments.

Additional information and instructions are available at:

<https://mn.gov/puc/activities/meetings/webex/>

Comment Period

Written comments will be accepted through **December 8th, by 4:30 p.m.** Please include the docket number in all communications. Comments received after the close of the comment period may or may not be considered by the Commission.

Topics for Comment

- What potential human and environmental impacts of the proposed project should be considered in the environmental assessment (EA)?
- Are there any methods to minimize, mitigate, or avoid potential impacts of the proposed project that should be considered in the EA?
- Are there any unique characteristics of the proposed project that should be considered in the EA?

Submit Comments

Online: mn.gov/puc/get-involved/public-comments
Email: lauren.agnew@state.mn.us
U.S. Mail: Lauren Agnew
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101

Comments will be made available to the public via the Commission's website, except in limited circumstances consistent with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. The Commission does not edit or delete personal identifying information from submissions.

Additional Information

Minnesota Statutes and Rules. This project is being reviewed under Minnesota Statute Chapter 216E.04 and Minnesota Rules 7850.2800 - 7850.3900. The rules and statutes are available for review at: www.revisor.mn.gov

Review Process. Information on the review processes for certificates of need and site and route permits for large electric power facilities is available on the Commission's website at: <https://mn.gov/puc/activities/energy-facilities/>

Filing Requirements. Utilities, telecommunications carriers, official parties, and state agencies are required to file documents using the Commission's electronic filing system (eFiling). All parties, participants, and interested persons are also encouraged to use eFiling: mn.gov/puc/edockets, select *Go to eDockets* and follow the prompts.

Full Case Record. See all documents filed in this matter via the Commission's website at mn.gov/puc/edockets, select *Go to eDockets*, enter the year and the docket number (25-126), and select *Search*.

Subscribe to the Docket. To receive email notification when new documents are filed in this matter visit: <https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling>, select *Subscribe to Dockets*.

Project Mailing List. Sign up to receive notices about project milestones and opportunities to participate or change your mailing preference. Email eservice.admin@state.mn.us or call 651-201-2246 with the docket number (25-126), your name, mailing address, and email address.

Project Website: <https://puc.eip.mn.gov/solar>

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Project Overview Map

