

## STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

Date:	November 17, 2024
Lead Agency:	Dormitory Authority of the State of New York 515 Broadway Albany, New York 12207-2964
Applicant:	New York State Office of Mental Health 75 New Scotland Avenue Albany, New York 12208-3474

This notice is issued pursuant to the *State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA")*, codified at Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL"), and its implementing regulations, promulgated at Part 617 of Title 6 of the *New York Codes, Rules and Regulations ("N.Y.C.R.R.")*, which collectively contain the requirements for the *State Environmental Quality Review ("SEQR")* process.

The Dormitory Authority of the State of New York ("DASNY"), as lead agency, has determined that the Proposed Action described below would not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement ("DEIS") will not be prepared.

Title of Action:	New York State Office of Mental Health Capital District Psychiatric Center Parking Garage Removal and Replacement (NYS OMH Capital Projects Program)
SEQR Status:	Type I Action – 6 <i>N.Y.C.R.R.</i> 617.4(b)(6)(iii)

**Review Type:** Coordinated Review

## **Description of Proposed Action and Proposed Project**

The Dormitory Authority of the State of New York ("DASNY") has received a request from the New York State Office of Mental Health ("NYS OMH") for its *Capital District Psychiatric Center Parking Garage Removal and Replacement* project. For the purposes of the New York *State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"*), the Proposed Action would consist of DASNY's undertaking of construction of the Proposed Project, described further below, under DASNY's Department of Mental Health Capital Projects Program.

The existing 1,000 space parking garage serving CDPC is now over 50 years old and requires replacement. The *Capital District Psychiatric Center Parking Garage Removal and Replacement* project would involve the demolition of the existing garage and construction of a new parking facility with approximately 552 spaces, including a multi-level garage, not exceeding four levels in height, and a surface lot, within the footprint of the existing garage (the "Proposed Project"). Two of the three existing pedestrian bridges linking the garage to CDPC would be demolished; the remaining bridge would undergo renovation and extension as necessary to connect to the newly constructed garage.

Prior to demolition, a temporary parking lot would be constructed on the CDPC north lawn to serve the facility throughout the demolition and construction. Upon completion of the new garage, the temporary lot would be restored as a lawn area. The temporary asphalt paving, subbase and fabric would be removed and hauled offsite, the existing topsoil would be de-compacted and re-seeded, and the lawn area would be restored.

The Proposed Project would increase green space at site, due to the reduced garage/surface lot footprint; new landscaped area adjacent to New Scotland Avenue, increasing the setback of the new building; and a new landscaped greenspace plaza over the existing storage areas and loading dock.

## **Location of Proposed Project**

The Capital District Psychiatric Center campus is located at 75 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Project Site").

## **Description of the Institution**

Capital District Psychiatric Center provides inpatient psychiatric treatment and rehabilitation to patients who have been diagnosed with serious and persistent mental illnesses and for whom brief or short-term treatment in a community hospital mental health unit has been unable to provide symptom stability. CDPC has outpatient treatment services for children, adolescents, and adults. CDPC also operates three adult community residences.

## **Reasons Supporting This Determination**

**Overview.** DASNY completed this environmental review in accordance with the procedures set forth in the *SEQRA*, codified at Article 8 of the New York *Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL")*, and its

implementing regulations, promulgated at Part 617 of Title 6 of the *New York Codes, Rules and Regulations ("N.Y.C.R.R.")*, which collectively contain the requirements for the *SEQR* process. The Proposed Project was reviewed following these procedures and this environmental review followed standard environmental analysis methodologies and impact criteria evaluation, unless stated otherwise.

The Proposed Project was reviewed in conformance with the *New York State Historic Preservation Act* of 1980 ("SHPA"), especially the implementing regulations of Section 14.09 of the *Parks, Recreation* and *Historic Preservation Law ("PRHPL")*, as well as with the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), dated March 18, 1998, between DASNY and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation ("OPRHP").

Additionally, the Proposed Project was analyzed for consistency with the State of New York *Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act ("SGPIPA")*, Article 6 of the New York *ECL*, for a variety of policy areas related to land use and sustainable development. The *Smart Growth Impact Statement Assessment Form ("SGISAF")* is included with this determination.

Representatives of DASNY reviewed the *Full Environmental Assessment Form – Part 1 ("FEAF – Part 1")*, dated October 18, 2024 (attached), and determined that the Proposed Project constitutes a Type I Action pursuant to 6 *N.Y.C.R.R.* 617.4(b)(6)(iii) of the *SEQR* implementing regulations. On October 18, 2024, DASNY circulated a lead agency request letter (attached), including the *FEAF – Part 1* as well as a *Distribution List of Involved Agencies and Interested Parties* (attached) to whom the lead agency letter was sent. There being no objection to DASNY assuming *SEQR* lead agency status, a coordinated review among the involved agencies was initiated.

DASNY representatives discussed the Proposed Project's environmental effects with representatives of NYS OMH as well as representatives of the involved agencies. DASNY subsequently completed an evaluation of the magnitude and importance of project impacts, as detailed in the *SEQR Supplemental Report* (below) and *FEAF – Parts 2 and 3* (see attached). Based on the above, and the additional information set forth below, DASNY as lead agency has analyzed the relevant areas of environmental concern and determined that the Proposed Project would not have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

**General Findings**. The existing 1,000 space parking garage serving CDPC is now over 50 years old and requires replacement. The existing garage has undergone multiple studies and repairs in an effort to prolong the life of the structure. The latest study of the facility found that the structure was no longer viable, and replacement was the safest, most economical path forward. The Proposed Project would demolish the existing parking garage and construct a new facility with with approximately 552 spaces. This would include a combination of a multi-level parking garage, not exceeding four levels in height, and surface parking within the footprint of the current garage. A temporary parking lot would be maintained on the CDPC north lawn throughout the demolition and construction phases. Additionally, two of the three existing pedestrian bridges would undergo demolition, necessitating remedial measures to meet building code exit requirements. The remaining pedestrian bridge would undergo renovation and extension as necessary to connect to the newly constructed garage.

<u>Potential Impacts</u>. DASNY, as lead agency, has inventoried all potential resources that could be affected by the Proposed Project or action, and assessed the magnitude, duration, likelihood, scale, and context of the Proposed Project and determined that no impact, or a small impact, may occur to

<u>Summary</u>. DASNY has reviewed the Proposed Project using criteria provided in Part 617.7 of SEQRA and has determined that:

- there will be no substantial adverse change in existing air quality, ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels; no substantial increase in solid waste production; and no substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems;
- (ii) there will be no removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna; no substantial interference with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species; no impacts on a significant habitat area; no substantial adverse impacts on a threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such a species; or other significant adverse impacts to natural resources;
- (iii) there will be no impairment of the environmental characteristics of a Critical Environmental Area as designated pursuant to subdivision 617.14(g) of this Part;
- (iv) there will be no creation of a material conflict with a community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted;
- (v) there will be no impairment of the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources or of existing community or neighborhood character;
- (vi) there will be no major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;
- (vii) there will be no creation of a hazard to human health;
- (viii) there will be no substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land including agricultural, open space or recreational resources, or in its capacity to support existing uses;
- (ix) there will be no encouraging or attracting of a large number of people to a place or places for more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the action;
- (x) there will be no creation of a material demand for other actions that would result in one of the above consequences;
- (xi) there will be no changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment;
- (xii) there will not be two or more related actions undertaken, funded or approved by an agency, none of which has or would have a significant impact on the environment, but when considered cumulatively would meet one or more of the criteria in this subdivision; and
- (xiii) there will be no other significant adverse environmental impacts.

Based on the above, and the additional information contained herein, DASNY, as lead agency, analyzed the relevant areas of environmental concern and determined that the Proposed Project would

not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

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## DASNY State Environmental Quality Review ("SEQR") Supplemental Report

Land Use. The Project Site consists of a functioning psychiatric facility, parking garage, staging/storage area, lawn and landscaped areas.

Land uses within a 400-foot study radius of the Project Site include residential (single-family, multifamily); community facilities (religious institutions, community garden); health care facilities (Albany Medical Center); institutional facilities (Russell Sage College, Albany Medical College, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, David Axelrod Institute); commercial office space; and parking.

The Proposed Project would result in the demolition of an approximately 50-year-old parking garage, and its replacement with a new parking garage and surface parking lot. The Proposed Project would not alter or displace any existing land uses. The Proposed Project would not represent a substantial change in land use. No significant adverse land use impacts would occur.

**Zoning**. The CDPC campus is owned by the State of New York and is considered exempt from local zoning. According to the City of Albany Unified Sustainable Development Ordinance ("USDO"), the CDPC campus is zoned Mixed-Use, Campus/Institutions ("MU-CI"). The purpose of the MU-CI District is to provide for sites or campuses with large public and institutional facilities, such as hospitals, museums, and institutions of higher education. As a psychiatric facility, or hospital, CDPC is considered a conditional use under the MU-CI zoning. No zoning changes are necessary to facilitate the Proposed Project and therefore no further analysis of zoning is required. No significant adverse zoning impacts would occur.

**State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act**. The New York State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act ("SSGPIPA") requires state infrastructure agencies, such as DASNY, to ensure public infrastructure projects undergo a consistency evaluation and attestation using the smart growth criteria established by the legislation. To the extent practicable, projects must align with the smart growth criteria established by the legislation.

A Smart Growth Impact Statement Assessment Form ("SGISAF") for the Proposed Project was prepared pursuant to SGPIPA procedures (attached). DASNY's Smart Growth Advisory Committee reviewed the SGISAF and attested that the Proposed Project, to the extent practicable, would meet the smart growth criteria established by the legislation.

**Socioeconomics**. The socioeconomic character of an area includes its population, housing, and economic activity. A proposed project may affect the socioeconomic character of an area by (i) direct displacement of the residential population on the project site; (ii) indirect displacement of the residential population within the project area; (iii) direct displacement of existing businesses from the project site; (iv) indirect displacement of existing businesses within the project area; and/or (v) adverse effects on specific industries.

The Proposed Project would not introduce or displace any residents, nor would it displace employees or a business or institution. Therefore, the Proposed Project does not meet the threshold for further analysis and would not result in any significant adverse impacts on socioeconomic conditions.

**Community Facilities**. Community facilities are public or publicly funded schools, hospitals, libraries, child-care centers, health care facilities, and fire and police protection services. A proposed project may affect community facilities directly when it physically displaces or alters a community facility, or indirectly, when it causes a change in population that may affect the services delivered by a community facility.

The Proposed Project would not physically displace or alter a community facility or cause a change in population. Therefore, the Proposed Project does not meet the threshold for further assessment and would not result in any potentially significant adverse impacts on community facilities and services.

**Open Space and Recreational Facilities**. Open space is defined as publicly or privately-owned land that is publicly accessible and designated for leisure, play or sport, or land set aside for the protection and enhancement of the natural environment. An open space assessment is typically conducted to determine whether a proposed project would result in the displacement or alteration of a highly utilized open space (direct effects) or result in an increase in population that would overburden available open space (indirect effects).

Within a 400-foot radius of the Project Site, the only designated open space amenity is Mater Christi Memorial Grove (162 New Scotland Avenue at South Lake Avenue), which features a memorial, flagpole, lawn and landscaped areas.

The existing parking garage is not considered open space or a recreational facility, and its demolition and replacement with a new garage and surface lot would have no impacts to such facilities. The Proposed Project would not result in an increase in population that would overburden available open space, thus no indirect effects to open space would occur.

Prior to demolition, a temporary parking lot would be constructed on the CDPC north lawn to serve the facility throughout the demolition and construction. Construction of the temporary parking lot would necessitate the removal of existing lawn cover and several mature trees. Although publicly accessible, the CDPC north lawn is not designated for leisure, play or sport, and it is not set aside for the protection and enhancement of the natural environment. The CDPC north lawn is used by the local community for unsanctioned, informal passive recreation.

The CDPC north lawn served as a temporary parking lot for the duration of an earlier parking garage rehabilitation project, from April 2012 through restoration and reseeding in September 2014. Currently, a portion of the North lawn has been in use as a staging and storage area for a mechanical system upgrade project since 2022.

Upon completion of the new garage, the temporary lot would be restored as a lawn area: temporary asphalt paving, subbase and fabric would be removed and hauled offsite, the existing topsoil would be de-compacted and re-seeded, and the lawn area would be restored. Overall, the Proposed Project would increase green space at site, including a reduced garage/lot footprint; new lawn area adjacent to New Scotland Avenue; and a new plaza over the loading dock.

The Proposed Project would not displace or alter any existing designated open space, nor would it result in an increase in population. Therefore, the Proposed Project does not meet the threshold for further assessment and would not result in any potentially significant adverse impacts on open space and recreational facilities.

**Cultural Resources**. The Proposed Project was reviewed in conformance with the *New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 ("SHPA")*, especially the implementing regulations of Section 14.09 of the *Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law ("PRHPL")*, as well as with the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), dated March 18, 1998, between DASNY and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Creservation ("OPRHP").

According to OPRHP, the Capital District Psychiatric Center campus has no historic designation but is located within an archaeologically sensitive area.

Cultural resources within a 400-foot study radius of the Project Site that are listed in or eligible for listing in the State and/or National Registers of Historic Places ("S/NR") include New Scotland Avenue (Troop B) Armory, 130 New Scotland Avenue (listed); 117 South Lake Avenue (eligible); 107 South Lake Avenue (eligible); Francis J. O'Brien Building (Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences), 106 New Scotland Avenue (eligible); and the Washington Park Historic District (listed).

In accordance with the review process set forth in *SHPA* and Section 14.09 of *PRHPL*, DASNY submitted the Proposed Project to OPRHP for review. DASNY's consultation with OPRHP is ongoing. Overall, the Proposed Project is not expected to have any significant adverse physical, visual, or contextual impacts on historic resources.

**Architectural Design and Visual Resources**. The components of architectural design and visual resources include streets, buildings, visual resources, open spaces, and natural resources. Typically, a preliminary assessment of architectural design and visual resources is appropriate when there is the potential for a pedestrian to observe, from the street level, a physical alteration beyond that allowed by existing zoning. Examples include projects that permit the modification of yard, height, and setback requirements, and projects that result in an increase in built floor area beyond what would be allowed "as-of-right" or in the future without the proposed project.

As described under *Zoning*, above, no zoning changes are necessary to facilitate the Proposed Project, therefore no further analysis of architectural design and visual resources is required, and no significant adverse impacts would result.

**Neighborhood Character**. Neighborhood character is considered to be a combination of the various elements that define a neighborhood's distinct "personality," including land use, socioeconomic conditions, open space, historic and cultural resources, architectural design, visual resources, transportation, and/or noise. An assessment of neighborhood character is generally necessary when a proposed project has the potential to result in significant adverse impacts in any of the elements listed above, or when the project may have moderate effects on several of the elements that define a neighborhood's character.

Based on the information in this report, the Proposed Project would not result in any adverse impacts to the neighborhood's land uses, socioeconomic conditions, open space, historic and cultural resources, architectural design, visual resources, transportation, or noise. Therefore, the Proposed Project would not result in any significant adverse neighborhood character impacts, and no further analysis is warranted.

**Natural Resources**. Natural resources are defined as an area's biodiversity (plants, wildlife, and other organisms); any aquatic or terrestrial areas capable of providing suitable habitat to sustain plants, wildlife and other organisms; and any areas capable of functioning in support of the ecological systems that maintain an area's environmental stability.

According to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's ("NYS DEC") EAF Mapper application, there are no records of rare or state-listed animals or plants, significant natural communities, or wetlands, at the Project Site.

Construction of the temporary parking lot on the CDPC north lawn would necessitate the removal of existing lawn cover and several mature trees. Upon completion of the new garage, the temporary lot would be restored as a lawn area: temporary asphalt paving, subbase and fabric would be removed and hauled offsite, the existing topsoil would be de-compacted and re-seeded, and the lawn area would be restored.

Overall, the Proposed Project would have no significant adverse natural resource impacts.

**Hazardous Materials**. Hazardous materials are substances that pose a threat to human health or the environment. The potential for significant impacts from hazardous materials can occur when hazardous materials exist on a site and an action would increase pathways to their exposure to humans and the environment, or an action would introduce new activities or processes using hazardous materials.

According to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's ("NYS DEC") DECinfo Locator (https://gisservices.dec.ny.gov/gis/dil/), the Project Site contains no environmental remediation sites or parcels; hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facilities; active landfills; transfer facilities; or inactive solid waste landfills.

A *Pre-Demolition Survey* (October 2023, Watts Architects & Engineers, Inc.) (the "limited survey") assessed the potential presence of suspect asbestos-containing materials ("ACM"), lead-containing paints ("LCP"), polychlorinated biphenyl ("PCB")-containing items, microbial growth, as well as the potential for universal/hazardous wastes that may be impacted by the project. The limited survey results indicate that ACMs, LBPs, assumed PCB-containing materials, and universal wastes were identified in the garage.

The Proposed Project would include the removal and disposal of compact fluorescent light bulbs, LED tubes/bulbs, ballasts and exit signs as universal and hazardous waste; removal and disposal of black floor tile and mastic white joint compound, gray mudded elbow insulation as asbestos containing materials; black exterior waterproof membrane to be removed and disposed of as asbestos containing materials; sampling, characterization, and appropriate disposal of roofing and plaster, spray-on fireproofing, roofing, plaster, and elevator brake shoes and wiring; and removal and disposal of PCB caulk joints as described in limited survey.

Overall, any hazardous materials on the Project Site would be remediated in accordance with all applicable regulatory and DASNY requirements and disposed of appropriately. With the implementation of these measures, no significant adverse impacts related to hazardous materials would result from renovation activities on the Project Site.

**Infrastructure**. Infrastructure systems for the Proposed Project include water supply; storm water management; heating, ventilation and air conditioning ("HVAC"); and electrical power systems.

Water demand would be generated by the sprinkler system (air supervised dry system) in the approximately 6,500-square foot storage area as well as the sweeper equipment used to clean the garage and surface lot. Water service lines that are exposed or not in a conditioned space would require heat tracing.

The stormwater system for the parking garage would include drains on each level including the roof, leading to an exterior mounted oil/water separator, then out to an existing manhole into the City of Albany stormwater system.

The HVAC system is required in order to heat/cool the electrical room, IT room, and water service room. Natural gas service would not be provided as all mechanical equipment would be electric powered.

Electrical power use would be limited to interior and exterior lighting; emergency lighting; fire alarms; elevators; security system; parking control system; and emergency radio responder repeater system. The proposed garage would have life safety as well as normal power backup from the existing facility generators. The proposed garage would be designed for future EV charger installation.

The Proposed Project would represent a reduction in garage size from the existing garage (1,000 spaces, 365,796 square feet) to the proposed (552 spaces, 204,109 square feet); accordingly, the project would represent a reduction in water demand; storm water generation; and electrical power demand. No significant adverse impacts to infrastructure systems are expected.

**Solid Waste**. Typically, a solid waste assessment determines whether a project has the potential to cause a substantial increase in solid waste production that may overburden available waste management capacity or otherwise be inconsistent with applicable solid waste management plans or policies.

Solid waste generated at the existing parking garage, limited to trash discarded by garage users, is minimal. This condition would not change after replacement of the garage, thus no significant adverse solid waste impacts are expected.

**Transportation**. The Proposed Project was evaluated for its potential effects on the transportation system, including traffic, parking, transit, and pedestrian facilities.

The Proposed Project would demolish an existing parking garage and replace it with a new, modern parking garage and surface lot. During the demolition and construction period, a temporary parking lot on the CDPC north lawn would serve the parking needs of CDPC employees. Traffic volumes in the

vicinity are expected to be similar to existing conditions, however, local streets may experience temporary increases during peak hours as drivers access and depart the temporary lot.

Both the CDPC and Albany Medical Center driveways are expected to remain open for the duration of construction, with limited temporary closures due to demolition, precast erection and paving operations.

The CDPC campus is served by several Capital District Transportation Authority ("CDTA") buses, including Bus # 13 *New Scotland Avenue* and Bus # 100 *Mid City Belt* which both stop along New Scotland Avenue within walking distance of the main CDPC entrance.

The CDPC campus is well served by pedestrian infrastructure as there are sidewalks and crosswalks in the vicinity (including a crosswalk adjacent to the nearest CDTA bus stop to the campus).

The Proposed Project would replace an outdated parking garage at the end of its design life with a modern parking facility, including garage and surface lot. Due to the replacement nature of the project, no new activities would be introduced to the Project Site that would generate significant new vehicle trips. Employee staffing is not expected to increase as a result of the Proposed Project. Accordingly, no further traffic analysis is required, and no significant traffic, parking, transit or pedestrian impacts would result.

**Air Quality**. As the Proposed Project would not generate significant new vehicle trips, no change in the amount of mobile source air emissions would result. The proposed HVAC system would only heat/cool a 6,500-square-foot storage area, therefore the increase in stationary source air emissions would be minor. No significant adverse air quality impacts are expected.

**Noise**. As the Proposed Project would not generate significant new vehicle trips, no change in the amount of mobile source noise emissions would result. The proposed HVAC system would only heat/cool a 6,500-square-foot storage area, therefore the increase in stationary source noise emissions would be minor. No significant adverse noise impacts are expected.

**Public Health**. Public health involves the activities that society undertakes to create and maintain conditions in which people can be healthy. Typically, a detailed public health analysis is warranted for projects with identified unmitigated adverse impacts in air quality, water quality, hazardous materials, or noise. No significant adverse impacts to air quality, water quality, hazardous materials, or noise were identified as a result of the Proposed Project.

**Construction**. As is typical of any construction project, there would be temporary disruption to the surrounding areas during the construction of the Proposed Project.

Construction activities would be conducted in compliance with section 255-32 of the Code of the City of Albany, including local day and hour construction limitations. As required, construction activities on the Project Site would be limited to the hours of 7:00 AM–10:00 PM. Typically, activities would occur between 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, five days a week on weekdays. Occasionally, the workday may be extended beyond normal work hours or construction activities may occur on weekends in order to complete certain critical tasks, although this is not expected to be frequent. In the event that work is required to be performed outside of the typical construction hours, coordination would be made with the City of Albany.

The Project Site would be enclosed with a temporary fence with gates and temporary signage during demolition and construction activities. During the portion of work along CDPC and AMC driveways from New Scotland Avenue, a barrier would separate traffic from the construction site. Maintenance and protection of traffic would be provided as required during deliveries or impacts to surrounding travel lanes. It is anticipated that all construction equipment, trucks, and materials would be staged within the Project Site. Erosion and sediment control measures would include a silt fence, concrete washout area, stabilized construction entrance and inlet protection.

The project would include the demolition and removal of two pedestrian bridges and the existing parking garage, including slabs and foundations. Selected existing footings and foundation walls would remain. Hazardous and regulated material removals would be undertaken as described under *Hazardous Materials* above. Demolition debris would be removed from the site on a continuous basis. Street sweeping and dust control would be provided as required. Dust suppression machines would be utilized, using water to minimize dust. All recyclable concrete materials would be recycled.

Following demolition, the proposed garage and surface lot would be constructed. The foundation system would consist of shallow spread footings. The footings would be a combination of existing foundation elements from the previous garage structure modified and enhanced as necessary to support the gravity and lateral loads imposed by the building superstructure. The superstructure would be of prestressed precast concrete construction, including precast bearing walls, spandrel panels, and concrete columns. Columns and bearing walls would be founded on the shallow spread footing system and walls would bear upon cast-in-place foundation walls constructed on top of the shallow footing system.

<u>Impacts</u>. Construction activities (including demolition) may sometimes result in temporary disruptions to the surrounding area, including occasional noise and dust. Construction duration, which is a critical measure to determine a project's potential for adverse effects during construction, is categorized as short-term (less than two years) and long-term (two or more years). Overall, the proposed demolition is expected to take approximately one year.

*Transportation.* Construction activities would result in a short-term increase in vehicles traveling to and from the Project Site due to construction workers and construction vehicles/equipment entering and leaving the site. To the extent possible, construction trucks would travel along New Scotland Avenue to access and egress the Project Site. Work at the site is anticipated to occur during one shift (7:00 AM to 3:30 PM) per day. It is anticipated that the majority of construction worker trips would occur during off-peak travel times and therefore would not affect existing traffic peak hours (7:30 AM to 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM). Truck movements, including removal of demolition debris, would be distributed throughout the workday. The Proposed Project would not result in significant adverse traffic impacts due to demolition/ activities.

*Noise*. Noise and vibration from equipment operation and noise from workers' vehicles and trucks traveling to and from the site may affect community noise levels. The level of impact of these noise sources depends on the noise characteristics of the equipment and activities involved, the work schedule, and the location of potentially sensitive noise receptors. Noise associated with construction activities would be subject to compliance with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency noise emission standards for construction equipment. These federal requirements mandate that certain classifications of construction equipment and motor vehicles meet specified noise emissions standards; that, except

under exceptional circumstances, construction activities be limited to weekdays between the hours of 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM; and that construction materials be handled and transported in such a manner as not to create unnecessary noise. In addition, whenever possible, appropriate low noise emission level equipment and operational procedures can be utilized to minimize construction noise and its effect on adjacent uses. Construction noise associated with the proposed demolition is expected to be similar to noise generated by other construction projects in the area. The Proposed Project would not result in significant adverse noise impacts due to construction activities.

*Air Quality.* Construction would be conducted with care and all appropriate fugitive dust control measures required by law, including watering of exposed areas and dust covers for trucks would be employed. Masonry materials would be wet down during demolition to prevent spread of dust and dirt. Temporary enclosures would be used as necessary to limit dust to the lowest practicable level. Given the limited construction period and isolated nature of the site, the mobile source emissions generated by the Proposed Project would not be significant.

*Conclusion.* Through implementation of the measures described above, the temporary adverse effects associated with the proposed demolition activities would be minimized. Accordingly, the Proposed Project would not result in significant adverse impacts during construction, and no further analysis is required.

## DISTRIBUTION LIST of INVOLVED AGENCIES and INTERESTED PARTIES for the Capital District Psychiatric Center's Parking Garage Removal and Replacement Project

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## Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project and Setting

## **Instructions for Completing Part 1**

**Part 1 is to be completed by the applicant or project sponsor.** 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; indicate whether missing information does not exist, or is not reasonably available to the sponsor; and, when possible, generally describe work or studies which would be necessary to update or fully develop that information.

Applicants/sponsors must complete all items in Sections A & B. In Sections C, D & E, most items contain an initial question that must be answered either "Yes" or "No". If the answer to the initial question is "Yes", complete the sub-questions that follow. If the answer to the initial question is "No", proceed to the next question. Section F allows the project sponsor to identify and attach any additional information. Section G requires the name and signature of the applicant or project sponsor to verify that the information contained in Part 1 is accurate and complete.

#### A. Project and Applicant/Sponsor Information.

Name of Action or Project:		
Project Location (describe, and attach a general location map):		
Brief Description of Proposed Action (include purpose or need):		
Name of Applicant/Sponsor:	Telephone:	
	E-Mail:	
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City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:
Project Contact (if not same as sponsor; give name and title/role):	Telephone:	I
	E-Mail:	
Address:		
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:
Property Owner (if not same as sponsor):	Telephone:	L
E-Mail:		
Address:		
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:

## **B.** Government Approvals

B. Government Approvals, Funding, or Sponsorship.	("Funding"	'includes grants,	loans, tax rel	lief, and any c	other forms	of financial
assistance.)						

Government Entity		tity If Yes: Identify Agency and Approval(s) Required		ntion Date r projected)	
a. City Counsel, Town Boa or Village Board of Trus					
b. City, Town or Village Planning Board or Comm	□ Yes □ No nission				
c. City, Town or Village Zoning Board of	□ Yes □ No Appeals				
d. Other local agencies	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No				
e. County agencies	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No				
f. Regional agencies	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No				
g. State agencies	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No				
h. Federal agencies	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No				
<ul><li>i. Coastal Resources.</li><li><i>i</i>. Is the project site with</li></ul>	nin a Coastal Area, o	or the waterfront area of a Designated Inland Water	rway?	□ Yes □ No	
<i>ii</i> . Is the project site loca <i>iii</i> . Is the project site with	•	with an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Hazard Area?	Program?	□ Yes □ No □ Yes □ No	

## C. Planning and Zoning

C.1. Planning and zoning actions.	
<ul> <li>Will administrative or legislative adoption, or amendment of a plan, local law, ordinance, rule or regulation be the only approval(s) which must be granted to enable the proposed action to proceed?</li> <li>If Yes, complete sections C, F and G.</li> <li>If No, proceed to question C.2 and complete all remaining sections and questions in Part 1</li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
C.2. Adopted land use plans.	
a. Do any municipally- adopted (city, town, village or county) comprehensive land use plan(s) include the site where the proposed action would be located?	□ Yes □ No
If Yes, does the comprehensive plan include specific recommendations for the site where the proposed action would be located?	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li>b. Is the site of the proposed action within any local or regional special planning district (for example: Greenway; Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA); designated State or Federal heritage area; watershed management plan; or other?)</li> <li>If Yes, identify the plan(s):</li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li>c. Is the proposed action located wholly or partially within an area listed in an adopted municipal open space plan, or an adopted municipal farmland protection plan?</li> <li>If Yes, identify the plan(s):</li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No

C.3. Zoning	
a. Is the site of the proposed action located in a municipality with an adopted zoning law or ordinance. If Yes, what is the zoning classification(s) including any applicable overlay district?	□ Yes □ No
b. Is the use permitted or allowed by a special or conditional use permit?	□ Yes □ No
<ul><li>c. Is a zoning change requested as part of the proposed action?</li><li>If Yes,</li><li><i>i</i>. What is the proposed new zoning for the site?</li></ul>	□ Yes □ No
C.4. Existing community services.	
a. In what school district is the project site located?	
b. What police or other public protection forces serve the project site?	
c. Which fire protection and emergency medical services serve the project site?	
d. What parks serve the project site?	

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#### **D. Project Details** n 1. Pr А, d Potential De

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D.1. Proposed and Potential Development	
a. What is the general nature of the proposed action (e.g., residential, industrial, components)?	al, commercial, recreational; if mixed, include all
b. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?	acres
	acres
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned	
or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?	acres
c. Is the proposed action an expansion of an existing project or use?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<i>i</i> . If Yes, what is the approximate percentage of the proposed expansion and	
d. Is the proposed action a subdivision, or does it include a subdivision?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes,	
<i>i</i> . Purpose or type of subdivision? (e.g., residential, industrial, commercial;	if mixed, specify types)
<i>ii.</i> Is a cluster/conservation layout proposed?	□ Yes □ No
<i>iii</i> . Number of lots proposed?	
<i>iv</i> . Minimum and maximum proposed lot sizes? Minimum M	laximum
e. Will the proposed action be constructed in multiple phases?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<i>i</i> . If No, anticipated period of construction:	months
<i>ii</i> . If Yes:	
• Total number of phases anticipated	
• Anticipated commencement date of phase 1 (including demolition)	
<ul> <li>Anticipated completion date of final phase</li> </ul>	monthyear
Generally describe connections or relationships among phases, inclu	
determine timing or duration of future phases:	

1 0	et include new resid				$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes, show num	bers of units propo				
	One Family	<u>Two Family</u>	<u>Three</u> Family	Multiple Family (four or more)	
Initial Phase					
At completion					
of all phases					
g Doos the prop	sad action include	now non residentie	al construction (inclu	ding expansions)?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes,	osed action menude	new non-residentia	a construction (mere	iding expansions):	
/	of structures				
ii. Dimensions (	in feet) of largest p	roposed structure:	height;	width; andlength	
iii. Approximate	extent of building	space to be heated	or cooled:	square feet	
h. Does the prope	osed action include	construction or oth	er activities that wil	l result in the impoundment of any	□ Yes □ No
				agoon or other storage?	
If Yes,		11 57		6 6	
<i>i</i> . Purpose of the	e impoundment:			□ Ground water □ Surface water strear	
<i>ii</i> . If a water imp	oundment, the prin	cipal source of the	water:	□ Ground water □ Surface water stream	ns $\Box$ Other specify:
<i>iii</i> . If other than w	vater, identify the ty	ype of impounded/	contained liquids and	d their source.	
<i>iv</i> . Approximate	size of the propose	d impoundment.	Volume:	million gallons; surface area:	acres
v. Dimensions o	of the proposed dam	or impounding str	ucture:	height; length	uoros
				ructure (e.g., earth fill, rock, wood, conc	erete):
D.2. Project Op	erations				
a. Does the prope	osed action include	any excavation, mi	ning, or dredging, d	uring construction, operations, or both?	□ Yes □ No
		ation, grading or in	stallation of utilities	or foundations where all excavated	
materials will r	emain onsite)				
If Yes:					
i. What is the pu	irpose of the excava	ation or dredging?			
				o be removed from the site?	
	hat duration of time			ged, and plans to use, manage or dispose	of them
<i>III.</i> Describe natu			e excavated of dieds	ged, and plans to use, manage of dispose	e of mem.
iv. Will there be	onsite dewatering	or processing of ex	cavated materials?		$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If yes, descri	be				
<i>v</i> . What is the to	otal area to be dredg	ged or excavated?		acres	
		•		acres	
			or dredging?	feet	- 37 - 37
	avation require blas				$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
ix. Summarize sit	e reclamation goals	s and plan:			
h Would the pro-	nosed action cause	or result in alteration	on of increase or do	crease in size of, or encroachment	□ Yes □ No
			ch or adjacent area?		
If Yes:		eay, morenne, bed	in or adjuctin area.		
	vetland or waterbod	ly which would be	affected (by name, w	vater index number, wetland map numb	er or geographic

<i>ii</i> . Describe how the proposed action would affect that waterbody or wetland, e.g. excavation, fill, placem alteration of channels, banks and shorelines. Indicate extent of activities, alterations and additions in sq	
<i>iii.</i> Will the proposed action cause or result in disturbance to bottom sediments? If Yes, describe:	Yes □ No
<i>iv.</i> Will the proposed action cause or result in the destruction or removal of aquatic vegetation?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes:	
acres of aquatic vegetation proposed to be removed:	
expected acreage of aquatic vegetation remaining after project completion:	
• purpose of proposed removal (e.g. beach clearing, invasive species control, boat access):	
proposed method of plant removal:	
if chemical/herbicide treatment will be used, specify product(s):	
v. Describe any proposed reclamation/mitigation following disturbance:	
Will the proposed action use, or create a new demand for water?	□ Yes □ No
Yes:	100 110
<i>i</i> . Total anticipated water usage/demand per day: gallons/day	
ii. Will the proposed action obtain water from an existing public water supply?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
Yes:	
<ul> <li>Name of district or service area:</li> <li>Does the existing public water supply have capacity to serve the proposal?</li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li>Is the project site in the existing district?</li> </ul>	$\Box$ Tes $\Box$ No $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<ul><li>Is expansion of the district needed?</li></ul>	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<ul> <li>Do existing lines serve the project site?</li> </ul>	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<i>i.</i> Will line extension within an existing district be necessary to supply the project?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
Yes:	
Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
Source(s) of supply for the district:	
<i>iv.</i> Is a new water supply district or service area proposed to be formed to serve the project site?	□ Yes □ No
c, Yes:	- 105 - 110
Applicant/sponsor for new district:	
Date application submitted or anticipated:	
v. If a public water supply will not be used, describe plans to provide water supply for the project:	
vi. If water supply will be from wells (public or private), what is the maximum pumping capacity:	gallons/minute.
. Will the proposed action generate liquid wastes?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
f Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Total anticipated liquid waste generation per day: gallons/day	
<i>ii.</i> Nature of liquid wastes to be generated (e.g., sanitary wastewater, industrial; if combination, describe a approximate volumes or proportions of each):	
<i>i</i> . Will the proposed action use any existing public wastewater treatment facilities?	□ Yes □ No
If Yes:	- 105 - 110
Name of wastewater treatment plant to be used:	
Name of district:	
• Does the existing wastewater treatment plant have capacity to serve the project?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
• Is the project site in the existing district?	$\Box \operatorname{Yes} \Box \operatorname{No}$
• Is expansion of the district needed?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No

• Do existing sewer lines serve the project site?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
• Will a line extension within an existing district be necessary to serve the project?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes:	
Describe extensions or capacity expansions proposed to serve this project:	
<i>iv.</i> Will a new wastewater (sewage) treatment district be formed to serve the project site?	□ Yes □ No
If Yes:	
Applicant/sponsor for new district:	
Date application submitted or anticipated:	
What is the receiving water for the wastewater discharge?	
v. If public facilities will not be used, describe plans to provide wastewater treatment for the project, including speci	fying proposed
receiving water (name and classification if surface discharge or describe subsurface disposal plans):	
ui Deserite any plane or designs to contine, recursic or reuse liquid yests.	
<i>vi.</i> Describe any plans or designs to capture, recycle or reuse liquid waste:	·
e. Will the proposed action disturb more than one acre and create stormwater runoff, either from new point	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
sources (i.e. ditches, pipes, swales, curbs, gutters or other concentrated flows of stormwater) or non-point	
source (i.e. sheet flow) during construction or post construction?	
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . How much impervious surface will the project create in relation to total size of project parcel?	
Square feet or acres (impervious surface)	
Square feet or acres (parcel size)	
<i>ii</i> . Describe types of new point sources.	
<i>iii.</i> Where will the stormwater runoff be directed (i.e. on-site stormwater management facility/structures, adjacent pr	operties
groundwater, on-site surface water or off-site surface waters)?	opernes,
groundwater, on site surface water of on site surface waters).	
If to surface waters, identify receiving water bodies or wetlands:	
• Will stormwater runoff flow to adjacent properties?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<i>iv.</i> Does the proposed plan minimize impervious surfaces, use pervious materials or collect and re-use stormwater?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
f. Does the proposed action include, or will it use on-site, one or more sources of air emissions, including fuel	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
combustion, waste incineration, or other processes or operations?	
If Yes, identify:	
<i>i</i> . Mobile sources during project operations (e.g., heavy equipment, fleet or delivery vehicles)	
<i>ii.</i> Stationary sources during construction (e.g., power generation, structural heating, batch plant, crushers)	
<i>ii. Suutonary sources aaring construction (c.g., power generation, structural neuring, baten plant, crushers)</i>	
iii. Stationary sources during operations (e.g., process emissions, large boilers, electric generation)	
g. Will any air emission sources named in D.2.f (above), require a NY State Air Registration, Air Facility Permit,	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
or Federal Clean Air Act Title IV or Title V Permit?	
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Is the project site located in an Air quality non-attainment area? (Area routinely or periodically fails to meet	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
ambient air quality standards for all or some parts of the year)	
ii. In addition to emissions as calculated in the application, the project will generate:	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Nitrous Oxide (N <sub>2</sub> O)	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)	
•Tons/year (short tons) of Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF <sub>6</sub> )	
Tons/year (short tons) of Carbon Dioxide equivalent of Hydroflourocarbons (HFCs)	
Tons/year (short tons) of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)	
• I ons/year (short tons) of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)	

<ul> <li>h. Will the proposed action generate or emit methane (including, but not limited to, sewage treatment plants, landfills, composting facilities)?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. Estimate methane generation in tons/year (metric):</li></ul></li></ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li>i. Will the proposed action result in the release of air pollutants from open-air operations or processes, such as quarry or landfill operations?</li> <li>If Yes: Describe operations and nature of emissions (e.g., diesel exhaust, rock particulates/dust):</li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li>j. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels or generate substantial new demand for transportation facilities or services?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. When is the peak traffic expected (Check all that apply):</li> <li>□ Morning</li> <li>□ Evening</li> <li>□ Weekend</li> <li>□ Randomly between hours of to</li> <li><i>ii</i>. For commercial activities only, projected number of truck trips/day and type (e.g., semi trailers and dump truck)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li><i>iii.</i> Parking spaces: Existing Proposed Net increase/decrease</li> <li><i>iv.</i> Does the proposed action include any shared use parking?</li> <li><i>v.</i> If the proposed action includes any modification of existing roads, creation of new roads or change in existing</li> <li><i>vi.</i> Are public/private transportation service(s) or facilities available within ½ mile of the proposed site?</li> <li><i>vii.</i> Will the proposed action include access to public transportation or accommodations for use of hybrid, electric or other alternative fueled vehicles?</li> <li><i>viii.</i> Will the proposed action include plans for pedestrian or bicycle accommodations for connections to existing pedestrian or bicycle routes?</li> </ul>	Yes No
<ul> <li>k. Will the proposed action (for commercial or industrial projects only) generate new or additional demand for energy?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li><i>i</i>. Estimate annual electricity demand during operation of the proposed action:</li> <li><i>ii</i>. Anticipated sources/suppliers of electricity for the project (e.g., on-site combustion, on-site renewable, via grid/ other):</li> <li><i>iii</i>. Will the proposed action require a new, or an upgrade, to an existing substation?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
1. Hours of operation. Answer all items which apply.       ii. During Operations:         iii. During Operations:       iii. During Operations:         iiii. During Operations:       iiiii.	

m. Will the proposed action produce noise that will exceed existing ambient noise levels during construction, operation, or both?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If yes:	
<i>i</i> . Provide details including sources, time of day and duration:	
<i>ii.</i> Will the proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a noise barrier or screen? Describe:	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
n. Will the proposed action have outdoor lighting?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If yes: <i>i</i> . Describe source(s), location(s), height of fixture(s), direction/aim, and proximity to nearest occupied structures:	
<i>ii.</i> Will proposed action remove existing natural barriers that could act as a light barrier or screen?	□ Yes □ No
Describe:	
	□ Yes □ No
o. Does the proposed action have the potential to produce odors for more than one hour per day? If Yes, describe possible sources, potential frequency and duration of odor emissions, and proximity to nearest	
occupied structures:	
p. Will the proposed action include any bulk storage of petroleum (combined capacity of over 1,100 gallons)	□ Yes □ No
or chemical products 185 gallons in above ground storage or any amount in underground storage?	105 110
If Yes: <i>i</i> . Product(s) to be stored	
<i>ii.</i> Volume(s) per unit time (e.g., month, year)	
<i>iii.</i> Generally, describe the proposed storage facilities:	
q. Will the proposed action (commercial, industrial and recreational projects only) use pesticides (i.e., herbicides,	□ Yes □ No
insecticides) during construction or operation?	
If Yes: <i>i</i> . Describe proposed treatment(s):	
<i>ii.</i> Will the proposed action use Integrated Pest Management Practices? r. Will the proposed action (commercial or industrial projects only) involve or require the management or disposal	$\Box Yes \Box No$ $\Box Yes \Box No$
of solid waste (excluding hazardous materials)?	
If Yes: <i>i</i> . Describe any solid waste(s) to be generated during construction or operation of the facility:	
Construction: tons per (unit of time)	
• Operation : tons per (unit of time) <i>ii.</i> Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of materials to avoid disposal as solid waster	
Construction:	
• Operation:	
<i>iii.</i> Proposed disposal methods/facilities for solid waste generated on-site:	
• Construction:	
Operation:	

s. Does the proposed action include construction or modification of a solid waste management facility?
<ul> <li><i>i</i>. Type of management or handling of waste proposed for the site (e.g., recycling or transfer station, composting, landfill, or other disposal activities):</li> </ul>
<i>ii.</i> Anticipated rate of disposal/processing:
• Tons/month, if transfer or other non-combustion/thermal treatment, or
• Tons/hour, if combustion or thermal treatment
<i>iii.</i> If landfill, anticipated site life: years
t. Will the proposed action at the site involve the commercial generation, treatment, storage, or disposal of hazardous $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No waste?
If Yes:
<i>i</i> . Name(s) of all hazardous wastes or constituents to be generated, handled or managed at facility:
<i>ii.</i> Generally describe processes or activities involving hazardous wastes or constituents:
<i>iii</i> . Specify amount to be handled or generated tons/month
<i>iv.</i> Describe any proposals for on-site minimization, recycling or reuse of hazardous constituents:
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v. Will any hazardous wastes be disposed at an existing offsite hazardous waste facility? $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes: provide name and location of facility:
If No: describe proposed management of any hazardous wastes which will not be sent to a hazardous waste facility:
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E. Site and Setting of Proposed Action

E.1. Land uses on and surrounding the project site				
<ul> <li>a. Existing land uses.</li> <li><i>i.</i> Check all uses that occur on, adjoining and near the project site.</li> <li>□ Urban □ Industrial □ Commercial □ Residential (suburban) □ Rural (non-farm)</li> <li>□ Forest □ Agriculture □ Aquatic □ Other (specify):</li></ul>				
b. Land uses and covertypes on the project site.				
Land use or Covertype	Current Acreage	Acreage After Project Completion	Change (Acres +/-)	
• Roads, buildings, and other paved or impervious surfaces				
Forested				
• Meadows, grasslands or brushlands (non- agricultural, including abandoned agricultural)				
• Agricultural (includes active orchards, field, greenhouse etc.)				
• Surface water features (lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, etc.)				
• Wetlands (freshwater or tidal)				
• Non-vegetated (bare rock, earth or fill)				
Other     Describe:				

<ul><li>c. Is the project site presently used by members of the community for public recreation?</li><li><i>i.</i> If Yes: explain:</li></ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li>d. Are there any facilities serving children, the elderly, people with disabilities (e.g., schools, hospitals, licensed day care centers, or group homes) within 1500 feet of the project site?</li> <li>If Yes, <ul> <li>i. Identify Facilities:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul><li>e. Does the project site contain an existing dam?</li><li>If Yes:</li><li><i>i</i>. Dimensions of the dam and impoundment:</li></ul>	□ Yes □ No
<ul> <li>Dam height: feet</li> <li>Dam length: feet</li> <li>Surface area: acres</li> </ul>	
Volume impounded: gallons OR acre-feet     ii. Dam's existing hazard classification:     iii. Provide date and summarize results of last inspection:	
f. Has the project site ever been used as a municipal, commercial or industrial solid waste management facility, or does the project site adjoin property which is now, or was at one time, used as a solid waste management facili If Yes:	□ Yes □ No ty?
<i>i</i> . Has the facility been formally closed?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
• If yes, cite sources/documentation:	
<i>n</i> . Describe the location of the project site relative to the boundaries of the solid waste management facility:	
<i>iii</i> . Describe any development constraints due to the prior solid waste activities:	
<ul> <li>g. Have hazardous wastes been generated, treated and/or disposed of at the site, or does the project site adjoin property which is now or was at one time used to commercially treat, store and/or dispose of hazardous waste?</li> <li>If Yes:</li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
<i>i</i> . Describe waste(s) handled and waste management activities, including approximate time when activities occurre	u: 
<ul> <li>h. Potential contamination history. Has there been a reported spill at the proposed project site, or have any remedial actions been conducted at or adjacent to the proposed site?</li> <li>If Yes:</li> </ul>	□ Yes □ No
<i>i</i> . Is any portion of the site listed on the NYSDEC Spills Incidents database or Environmental Site Remediation database? Check all that apply:	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
□ Yes – Spills Incidents database Provide DEC ID number(s):	
<ul> <li>□ Yes – Environmental Site Remediation database</li> <li>□ Neither database</li> <li>Provide DEC ID number(s):</li> </ul>	
<i>ii</i> . If site has been subject of RCRA corrective activities, describe control measures:	
<i>iii.</i> Is the project within 2000 feet of any site in the NYSDEC Environmental Site Remediation database? If yes, provide DEC ID number(s):	□ Yes □ No
<i>iv.</i> If yes to (i), (ii) or (iii) above, describe current status of site(s):	

<i>v</i> . Is the project site subject to an institutional control limiting property uses?	□ Y	es □ No
If yes, DEC site ID number:		
Describe the type of institutional control (e.g., deed restriction or easement):		
<ul> <li>Describe any use limitations:</li></ul>		
<ul> <li>Will the project affect the institutional or engineering controls in place?</li> </ul>		es □ No
Explain:		05 - 110
E.2. Natural Resources On or Near Project Site		
a. What is the average depth to bedrock on the project site?f	eet	
b. Are there bedrock outcroppings on the project site?	□ Y	es 🗆 No
If Yes, what proportion of the site is comprised of bedrock outcroppings?	%	
c. Predominant soil type(s) present on project site:	%	
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	%	
d. What is the average depth to the water table on the project site? Average: feet		
e. Drainage status of project site soils: □ Well Drained:% of site		
□ Moderately Well Drained:% of site		
Desider Desired 0/ of site		
In Poorly Drained      % of site         f. Approximate proportion of proposed action site with slopes:       Image: 0-10%:         Image: I	% of site	
□ 10-15%:	% of site	
$\Box$ 15% or greater:	% of site	
g. Are there any unique geologic features on the project site?		es □ No
If Yes, describe:		
h. Surface water features.		
i. Does any portion of the project site contain wetlands or other waterbodies (including stream	ns, rivers, $\Box Y$	es □ No
ponds or lakes)?		
<i>ii.</i> Do any wetlands or other waterbodies adjoin the project site?	$\Box Y$	es □ No
If Yes to either <i>i</i> or <i>ii</i> , continue. If No, skip to E.2.i.		> _
<i>iii.</i> Are any of the wetlands or waterbodies within or adjoining the project site regulated by an atom or local accord	y federal, $\Box Y$	es □ No
state or local agency? <i>iv.</i> For each identified regulated wetland and waterbody on the project site, provide the follow	ing information.	
Streams: Name Cla		
• Lakes or Ponds: Name Cla		
Wetlands: Name Ap	proximate Size	
• Wetland No. (if regulated by DEC)		
<i>v</i> . Are any of the above water bodies listed in the most recent compilation of NYS water qualwaterbodies?	ty-impaired $\Box$ Y	es □ No
If yes, name of impaired water body/bodies and basis for listing as impaired:		
i. Is the project site in a designated Floodway?	□ Y	es □ No
j. Is the project site in the 100-year Floodplain?	□ Y	es 🗆 No
k. Is the project site in the 500-year Floodplain?	□ Y	es □ No
1. Is the project site located over, or immediately adjoining, a primary, principal or sole source	aquifer?	es □ No
If Yes:		
<i>i</i> . Name of aquifer:		

m. Identify the predominant wildlife species that occupy or use the project site:	
In Identify the predominant when especies that occupy of use the project site.	
n. Does the project site contain a designated significant natural community?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Describe the habitat/community (composition, function, and basis for designation):	
ii Course(a) of description or evaluation.	
<i>ii</i> . Source(s) of description or evaluation:	
Currently: acres     Following completion of project as proposed: acres	
Gain or loss (indicate + or -):	
o. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by the federal government or NYS as	
endangered or threatened, or does it contain any areas identified as habitat for an endangered or threatened	species?
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> Species and listing (endangered or threatened):	
p. Does the project site contain any species of plant or animal that is listed by NYS as rare, or as a species of	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
special concern?	
If Yes:	
i. Species and listing:	
q. Is the project site or adjoining area currently used for hunting, trapping, fishing or shell fishing?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If yes, give a brief description of how the proposed action may affect that use:	
E.3. Designated Public Resources On or Near Project Site	
a. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in a designated agricultural district certified pursuant to	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304?	
If Yes, provide county plus district name/number:	
b. Are agricultural lands consisting of highly productive soils present?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
<i>i.</i> If Yes: acreage(s) on project site?	
<i>ii.</i> Source(s) of soil rating(s):	
	□ Yes □ No
c. Does the project site contain all or part of, or is it substantially contiguous to, a registered National Natural Landmark?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes:	
<i>i</i> . Nature of the natural landmark:	
<i>ii.</i> Provide brief description of landmark, including values behind designation and approximate size/extent:	
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d. Is the project site located in or does it adjoin a state listed Critical Environmental Area?	$\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
If Yes:	
<i>i.</i> CEA name:	
<i>ii.</i> Basis for designation:	
iii. Designating agency and date:	

<ul> <li>e. 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 Commissi Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places.</li> <li><i>i</i>. Nature of historic/archaeological resource: Archaeological Site Historic Building or District <i>ii</i>. Name: Eligible property:Francis J. O'Brien Building (Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences). Eligible property:107. <i>iii</i>. Brief description of attributes on which listing is based:</li> </ul>	aces?
f. 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?	Ves No
<ul> <li>g. Have additional archaeological or historic site(s) or resources been identified on the project site?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li>i. Describe possible resource(s):</li> <li>ii. Basis for identification:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Yes No
<ul> <li>h. Is the project site within fives miles of any officially designated and publicly accessible federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource?</li> <li>If Yes: <ul> <li>Identify resource:</li> <li>ii. Nature of, or basis for, designation (e.g., established highway overlook, state or local park, state historic trail or</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Yes No
<ul> <li>iii. Distance between project and resource: miles.</li> </ul>	scenic byway,
<ul> <li>i. Is the project site located within a designated river corridor under the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Program 6 NYCRR 666?</li> <li>If Yes:         <ul> <li>I Identify the name of the river and its designation:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Yes No
ii. Is the activity consistent with development restrictions contained in 6NYCRR Part 666?	Yes No

#### F. Additional Information

Attach any additional information which may be needed to clarify your project.

If you have identified any adverse impacts which could be associated with your proposal, please describe those impacts plus any measures which you propose to avoid or minimize them.

#### G. Verification

I certify that the information provided is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name Matthew Mastin

Date 10/18/24 \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Real Real

Title Director, Capital Operations, NYSOMH

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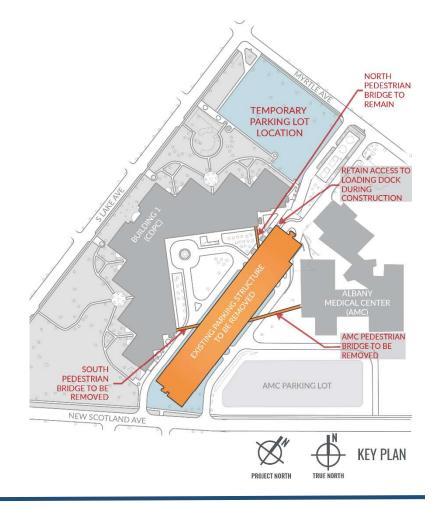
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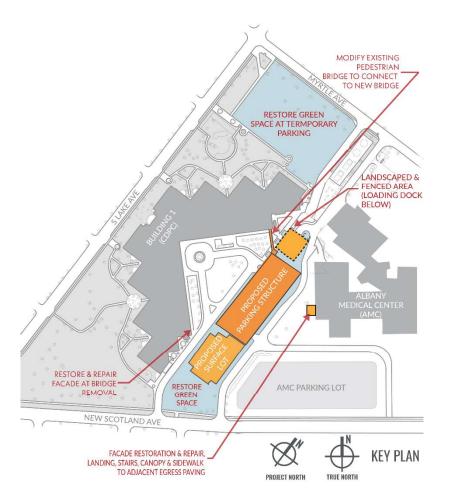
B.i.i [Coastal or Waterfront Area]	No
B.i.ii [Local Waterfront Revitalization Area]	Yes
C.2.b. [Special Planning District]	Yes - Digital mapping data are not available for all Special Planning Districts. Refer to EAF Workbook.
C.2.b. [Special Planning District - Name]	NYS Heritage Areas: Mohawk Valley Heritage Corridor
E.1.h [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Potential Contamination History]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Listed]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.i [DEC Spills or Remediation Site - Environmental Site Remediation Database]	Digital mapping data are not available or are incomplete. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site]	Yes
E.1.h.iii [Within 2,000' of DEC Remediation Site - DEC ID]	401031
E.2.g [Unique Geologic Features]	No
E.2.h.i [Surface Water Features]	No
E.2.h.ii [Surface Water Features]	No
E.2.h.iii [Surface Water Features]	No
E.2.h.v [Impaired Water Bodies]	No
E.2.i. [Floodway]	No
E.2.j. [100 Year Floodplain]	No
E.2.k. [500 Year Floodplain]	No
E.2.I. [Aquifers]	Yes
E.2.I. [Aquifer Names]	Principal Aquifer

E.2.n. [Natural Communities]	No
E.2.o. [Endangered or Threatened Species]	No
E.2.p. [Rare Plants or Animals]	No
E.3.a. [Agricultural District]	No
E.3.c. [National Natural Landmark]	No
E.3.d [Critical Environmental Area]	No
E.3.e. [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	Yes - Digital mapping data for archaeological site boundaries are not available. Refer to EAF Workbook.
E.3.e.ii [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites - Name]	Eligible property:Francis J. O'Brien Building (Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences), Eligible property:107 Lake Avenue South, Albany, Washington Park Historic District, New Scotland Avenue (Troop B) Armory
E.3.f. [Archeological Sites]	Yes
E.3.i. [Designated River Corridor]	No

Capital District Psychiatric Center Parking Garage Removal and Replacement



## EXISTING CONDITIONS



# PROPOSED CONCEPT

## Full Environmental Assessment FormPart 2 - Identification of Potential Project Impacts

Project : Date :

**Part 2 is to be completed by the lead agency.** Part 2 is designed to help the lead agency inventory all potential resources that could be affected by a proposed project or action. We recognize that the lead agency's reviewer(s) will not necessarily be environmental professionals. So, the questions are designed to walk a reviewer through the assessment process by providing a series of questions that can be answered using the information found in Part 1. To further assist the lead agency in completing Part 2, the form identifies the most relevant questions in Part 1 that will provide the information needed to answer the Part 2 question. When Part 2 is completed, the lead agency will have identified the relevant environmental areas that may be impacted by the proposed activity.

If the lead agency is a state agency **and** the action is in any Coastal Area, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.

#### **Tips for completing Part 2:**

- Review all of the information provided in Part 1.
- Review any application, maps, supporting materials and the Full EAF Workbook.
- Answer each of the 18 questions in Part 2.
- If you answer "Yes" to a numbered question, please complete all the questions that follow in that section.
- If you answer "No" to a numbered question, move on to the next numbered question.
- Check appropriate column to indicate the anticipated size of the impact.
- Proposed projects that would exceed a numeric threshold contained in a question should result in the reviewing agency checking the box "Moderate to large impact may occur."
- The reviewer is not expected to be an expert in environmental analysis.
- If you are not sure or undecided about the size of an impact, it may help to review the sub-questions for the general question and consult the workbook.
- When answering a question consider all components of the proposed activity, that is, the "whole action".
- Consider the possibility for long-term and cumulative impacts as well as direct impacts.
- Answer the question in a reasonable manner considering the scale and context of the project.

#### 1. Impact on Land

L.	Impact on Land			
	Proposed action may involve construction on, or physical alteration of,	🗆 NO		YES
	the land surface of the proposed site. (See Part 1. D.1)			
	If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 2.			
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	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may involve construction on land where depth to water table is less than 3 feet.	E2d		
b. The proposed action may involve construction on slopes of 15% or greater.	E2f		
c. The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.	E2a		
d. The proposed action may involve the excavation and removal of more than 1,000 tons of natural material.	D2a		
e. The proposed action may involve construction that continues for more than one year or in multiple phases.	D1e		
f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).	D2e, D2q		
g. The proposed action is, or may be, located within a Coastal Erosion hazard area.	Bli		
h. Other impacts:			

The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or inhib access to, any unique or unusual land forms on the site (e.g., cliffs, dunes, minerals, fossils, caves). (See Part 1. E.2.g) <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", move on to Section 3.</i>	□ NO		YES
ij ies , unswer questions a c. ij ivo , move on to section 5.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Identify the specific land form(s) attached:	E2g		
<ul> <li>b. The proposed action may affect or is adjacent to a geological feature listed as a registered National Natural Landmark.</li> <li>Specific feature:</li></ul>	E3c		
c. Other impacts:			
<ul> <li>3. Impacts on Surface Water</li> <li>The proposed action may affect one or more wetlands or other surface water bodies (e.g., streams, rivers, ponds or lakes). (See Part 1. D.2, E.2.h)</li> <li>If "Yes", answer questions a - l. If "No", move on to Section 4.</li> </ul>	□ NC		YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may create a new water body.	D2b, D1h		
b. The proposed action may result in an increase or decrease of over 10% or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water.	D2b		
c. The proposed action may involve dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from a wetland or water body.	D2a		
d. The proposed action may involve construction within or adjoining a freshwater or tidal wetland, or in the bed or banks of any other water body.	E2h		
e. The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff or by disturbing bottom sediments.	D2a, D2h		
f. The proposed action may include construction of one or more intake(s) for withdrawal of water from surface water.	D2c		
g. The proposed action may include construction of one or more outfall(s) for discharge of wastewater to surface water(s).	D2d		
h. The proposed action may cause soil erosion, or otherwise create a source of stormwater discharge that may lead to siltation or other degradation of receiving water bodies.	D2e		
i. The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action.	E2h		
j. The proposed action may involve the application of pesticides or herbicides in or around any water body.	D2q, E2h		
k. The proposed action may require the construction of new, or expansion of existing,	D1a, D2d		

1. Other impacts:					
<ul> <li>4. Impact on groundwater The proposed action may result in new or additional use of ground water, or □ NO □ YES may have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aquifer. (See Part 1. D.2.a, D.2.c, D.2.d, D.2.p, D.2.q, D.2.t) If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 5.</li></ul>					
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur		
a. The proposed action may require new water supply wells, or create additional demand on supplies from existing water supply wells.	D2c				
b. Water supply demand from the proposed action may exceed safe and sustainable withdrawal capacity rate of the local supply or aquifer. Cite Source:	D2c				
c. The proposed action may allow or result in residential uses in areas without water and sewer services.	D1a, D2c				
d. The proposed action may include or require wastewater discharged to groundwater.	D2d, E21				
e. The proposed action may result in the construction of water supply wells in locations where groundwater is, or is suspected to be, contaminated.	D2c, E1f, E1g, E1h				
f. The proposed action may require the bulk storage of petroleum or chemical products over ground water or an aquifer.	D2p, E2l				
g. The proposed action may involve the commercial application of pesticides within 100 feet of potable drinking water or irrigation sources.	E2h, D2q, E2l, D2c				
h. Other impacts:					

<ul> <li>5. Impact on Flooding The proposed action may result in development on lands subject to flooding. (See Part 1. E.2) If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", move on to Section 6. </li> </ul>	□ NO		YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in development in a designated floodway.	E2i		
b. The proposed action may result in development within a 100 year floodplain.	E2j		
c. The proposed action may result in development within a 500 year floodplain.	E2k		
d. The proposed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage patterns.	D2b, D2e		
e. The proposed action may change flood water flows that contribute to flooding.	D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k		
f. If there is a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair, or upgrade?	E1e		

g. Other impacts:			
<ul> <li>6. Impacts on Air</li> <li>The proposed action may include a state regulated air emission source. (See Part 1. D.2.f., D.2.h, D.2.g)</li> <li>If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", move on to Section 7.</li> </ul>	□ NO		YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
<ul> <li>a. If the proposed action requires federal or state air emission permits, the action may also emit one or more greenhouse gases at or above the following levels: <ol> <li>More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)</li> <li>More than 3.5 tons/year of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O)</li> <li>More than 1000 tons/year of carbon equivalent of perfluorocarbons (PFCs)</li> <li>More than .045 tons/year of sulfur hexafluoride (SF<sub>6</sub>)</li> <li>More than 1000 tons/year of carbon dioxide equivalent of hydrochloroflourocarbons (HFCs) emissions</li> <li>vi. 43 tons/year or more of methane</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g D2h		
b. The proposed action may generate 10 tons/year or more of any one designated hazardous air pollutant, or 25 tons/year or more of any combination of such hazardous air pollutants.	D2g		
c. The proposed action may require a state air registration, or may produce an emissions rate of total contaminants that may exceed 5 lbs. per hour, or may include a heat source capable of producing more than 10 million BTU's per hour.	D2f, D2g		
d. The proposed action may reach 50% of any of the thresholds in "a" through "c", above.	D2g		
e. The proposed action may result in the combustion or thermal treatment of more than 1 ton of refuse per hour.	D2s		
f. Other impacts:			

7. Impact on Plants and Animals The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. (See Part 1. E.2. 1 If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 8.	mq.)	□ NO	□ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may cause reduction in population or loss of individuals of any threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2o		
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any rare, threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the federal government.	E2o		
c. The proposed action may cause reduction in population, or loss of individuals, of any species of special concern or conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2p		
d. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any species of special concern and conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government.	E2p		

e. The proposed action may diminish the capacity of a registered National Natural Landmark to support the biological community it was established to protect.	E3c	
f. The proposed action may result in the removal of, or ground disturbance in, any portion of a designated significant natural community. Source:	E2n	
g. The proposed action may substantially interfere with nesting/breeding, foraging, or over-wintering habitat for the predominant species that occupy or use the project site.	E2m	
h. The proposed action requires the conversion of more than 10 acres of forest, grassland or any other regionally or locally important habitat. Habitat type & information source:	E1b	
i. Proposed action (commercial, industrial or recreational projects, only) involves use of herbicides or pesticides.	D2q	
j. Other impacts:		

8. Impact on Agricultural Resources The proposed action may impact agricultural resources. (See Part 1. E.3.a. a If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 9.	and b.)	□ NO	□ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
<ul> <li>a. The proposed action may impact soil classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System.</li> </ul>	E2c, E3b		
b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc).	E1a, Elb		
c. The proposed action may result in the excavation or compaction of the soil profile of active agricultural land.	E3b		
d. The proposed action may irreversibly convert agricultural land to non-agricultural uses, either more than 2.5 acres if located in an Agricultural District, or more than 10 acres if not within an Agricultural District.	E1b, E3a		
e. The proposed action may disrupt or prevent installation of an agricultural land management system.	El a, E1b		
<li>f. The proposed action may result, directly or indirectly, in increased development potential or pressure on farmland.</li>	C2c, C3, D2c, D2d		
g. The proposed project is not consistent with the adopted municipal Farmland Protection Plan.	C2c		
h. Other impacts:			

If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", go to Section 10.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource.	E3h		
b. The proposed action may result in the obstruction, elimination or significant screening of one or more officially designated scenic views.	E3h, C2b		
<ul><li>c. The proposed action may be visible from publicly accessible vantage points:</li><li>i. Seasonally (e.g., screened by summer foliage, but visible during other seasons)</li><li>ii. Year round</li></ul>	E3h		
<ul><li>d. The situation or activity in which viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed action is:</li><li>i. Routine travel by residents, including travel to and from work ii. Recreational or tourism based activities</li></ul>	E3h E2q, E1c		
e. The proposed action may cause a diminishment of the public enjoyment and appreciation of the designated aesthetic resource.	E3h		
<ul> <li>f. There are similar projects visible within the following distance of the proposed project:</li> <li>0-1/2 mile</li> <li>½ -3 mile</li> <li>3-5 mile</li> <li>5+ mile</li> </ul>	D1a, E1a, D1f, D1g		
g. Other impacts:			

	Part I Question(s)	small impact	to large impact may
		may occur	occur
a. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, any buildings, archaeological site or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historical Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner	E3e		
of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places.			
b. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory.	E3f		
c. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an archaeological site not included on the NY SHPO inventory. Source:	E3g		

d. Other impacts:			
If any of the above (a-d) are answered "Moderate to large impact may e. occur", continue with the following questions to help support conclusions in Part 3:			
i. The proposed action may result in the destruction or alteration of all or part of the site or property.	E3e, E3g, E3f		
ii. The proposed action may result in the alteration of the property's setting or integrity.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E1a, E1b		
iii. The proposed action may result in the introduction of visual elements which are out of character with the site or property, or may alter its setting.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E3h, C2, C3		
<ul> <li>11. Impact on Open Space and Recreation The proposed action may result in a loss of recreational opportunities or a reduction of an open space resource as designated in any adopted municipal open space plan. (See Part 1. C.2.c, E.1.c., E.2.q.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 12.</li></ul>			YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in an impairment of natural functions, or "ecosystem services", provided by an undeveloped area, including but not limited to stormwater storage, nutrient cycling, wildlife habitat.	D2e, E1b E2h, E2m, E2o, E2n, E2p		
b. The proposed action may result in the loss of a current or future recreational resource.	C2a, E1c, C2c, E2q		
c. The proposed action may eliminate open space or recreational resource in an area with few such resources.	C2a, C2c E1c, E2q		
d. The proposed action may result in loss of an area now used informally by the community as an open space resource.	C2c, E1c		
e. Other impacts:			
<ul> <li>12. Impact on Critical Environmental Areas The proposed action may be located within or adjacent to a critical environmental area (CEA). (See Part 1. E.3.d) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", go to Section 13.</li></ul>			YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d		
<ul> <li>a. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.</li> <li>b. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quality of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.</li> </ul>	E3d E3d		

<b>13. Impact on Transportation</b> The proposed action may result in a change to existing transportation systems	. 🗆 N(		YES
(See Part 1. D.2.j)			115
If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 14.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact	Moderate to large impact may
a. Projected traffic increase may exceed capacity of existing road network.	D2j	may occur	occur
<ul><li>b. The proposed action may result in the construction of paved parking area for 500 or more vehicles.</li></ul>	D2j		
c. The proposed action will degrade existing transit access.	D2j		
d. The proposed action will degrade existing pedestrian or bicycle accommodations.	D2j		
e. The proposed action may alter the present pattern of movement of people or goods.	D2j		
f. Other impacts:			
<b>14. Impact on Energy</b> The proposed action may cause an increase in the use of any form of energy. (See Part 1. D.2.k)			YES
If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 15.	Relevant	No, or	Moderate
	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action will require a new, or an upgrade to an existing, substation.	D2k		
b. The proposed action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two-family residences or to serve a commercial or industrial use.	D1f, D1q, D2k		
c. The proposed action may utilize more than 2,500 MWhrs per year of electricity.	D2k		
d. The proposed action may involve heating and/or cooling of more than 100,000 square feet of building area when completed.	D1g		
e. Other Impacts:			
<b>15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light</b> The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor ligh	ting. 🗆 NC		YES
(See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.			
(See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.) If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
	Part I	small impact	to large impact may
If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.         a. The proposed action may produce sound above noise levels established by local	Part I Question(s)	small impact may occur	to large impact may occur

d. The proposed action may result in light shining onto adjoining properties.	D2n	
e. The proposed action may result in lighting creating sky-glow brighter than existing area conditions.	D2n, E1a	
f. Other impacts:		

<ul> <li>16. Impact on Human Health The proposed action may have an impact on human health from exposure to new or existing sources of contaminants. (See Part 1.D.2.q., E.1. d. f. g. ar <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - m. If "No", go to Section 17.</i></li> </ul>	□ No nd h.)	0 🛛	YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No,or small impact may cccur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action is located within 1500 feet of a school, hospital, licensed day care center, group home, nursing home or retirement community.	E1d		
b. The site of the proposed action is currently undergoing remediation.	E1g, E1h		
c. There is a completed emergency spill remediation, or a completed environmental site remediation on, or adjacent to, the site of the proposed action.	E1g, E1h		
d. The site of the action is subject to an institutional control limiting the use of the property (e.g., easement or deed restriction).	E1g, E1h		
e. The proposed action may affect institutional control measures that were put in place to ensure that the site remains protective of the environment and human health.	E1g, E1h		
f. The proposed action has adequate control measures in place to ensure that future generation, treatment and/or disposal of hazardous wastes will be protective of the environment and human health.	D2t		
g. The proposed action involves construction or modification of a solid waste management facility.	D2q, E1f		
h. The proposed action may result in the unearthing of solid or hazardous waste.	D2q, E1f		
i. The proposed action may result in an increase in the rate of disposal, or processing, of solid waste.	D2r, D2s		
j. The proposed action may result in excavation or other disturbance within 2000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.	E1f, E1g E1h		
k. The proposed action may result in the migration of explosive gases from a landfill site to adjacent off site structures.	E1f, E1g		
1. The proposed action may result in the release of contaminated leachate from the project site.	D2s, E1f, D2r		
m. Other impacts:			

17. Consistency with Community Plans			<b>7</b> 50
The proposed action is not consistent with adopted land use plans. (See Part 1. C.1, C.2. and C.3.)	□ NO	ΠY	ES
If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", go to Section 18.			1
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action's land use components may be different from, or in sharp contrast to, current surrounding land use pattern(s).	C2, C3, D1a E1a, E1b		
b. The proposed action will cause the permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located to grow by more than 5%.	C2		
c. The proposed action is inconsistent with local land use plans or zoning regulations.	C2, C2, C3		
d. The proposed action is inconsistent with any County plans, or other regional land use plans.	C2, C2		
e. The proposed action may cause a change in the density of development that is not supported by existing infrastructure or is distant from existing infrastructure.	C3, D1c, D1d, D1f, D1d, Elb		
f. The proposed action is located in an area characterized by low density development that will require new or expanded public infrastructure.	C4, D2c, D2d D2j		
g. The proposed action may induce secondary development impacts (e.g., residential or commercial development not included in the proposed action)	C2a		
h. Other:			
<ul> <li>18. Consistency with Community Character</li> <li>The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character.</li> <li>(See Part 1. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3)</li> <li>If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3.</li> </ul>	□ NO	ΠY	ΈS
If Tes , unswer questions a - g. If No , proceed to Fart 5.	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas of historic importance to the community.	E3e, E3f, E3g		occui
b. The proposed action may create a demand for additional community services (e.g.	C4		
schools, police and fire)			
	C2, C3, D1f D1g, E1a		
schools, police and fire)c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where	C2, C3, D1f		
<ul> <li>schools, police and fire)</li> <li>c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where there is a shortage of such housing.</li> <li>d. The proposed action may interfere with the use or enjoyment of officially recognized</li> </ul>	C2, C3, D1f D1g, E1a		
<ul> <li>schools, police and fire)</li> <li>c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where there is a shortage of such housing.</li> <li>d. The proposed action may interfere with the use or enjoyment of officially recognized or designated public resources.</li> <li>e. The proposed action is inconsistent with the predominant architectural scale and</li> </ul>	C2, C3, D1f D1g, E1a C2, E3		

Project : Date :

## Full Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts and Determination of Significance

Part 3 provides the reasons in support of the determination of significance. The lead agency must complete Part 3 for every question in Part 2 where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Based on the analysis in Part 3, the lead agency must decide whether to require an environmental impact statement to further assess the proposed action or whether available information is sufficient for the lead agency to conclude that the proposed action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact. By completing the certification on the next page, the lead agency can complete its determination of significance.

#### **Reasons Supporting This Determination:**

To complete this section:

- Identify the impact based on the Part 2 responses and describe its magnitude. Magnitude considers factors such as severity, size or extent of an impact.
- Assess the importance of the impact. Importance relates to the geographic scope, duration, probability of the impact occurring, number of people affected by the impact and any additional environmental consequences if the impact were to occur.
- The assessment should take into consideration any design element or project changes.
- Repeat this process for each Part 2 question where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.
- Provide the reason(s) why the impact may, or will not, result in a significant adverse environmental impact
- For Conditional Negative Declarations identify the specific condition(s) imposed that will modify the proposed action so that no significant adverse environmental impacts will result.
- Attach additional sheets, as needed.

Determination of Significance - Type 1 and Unlisted Actions				
SEQR Status:	□ Type 1	□ Unlisted		
Identify portions of EAF of	completed for this Project:	□ Part 1	D Part 2	□ Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, plus this additional support information

and considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the

as lead agency that:

Date:

Date:

	A.	This project will result	n no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impa	ct
state	emer	it need not be prepared.	Accordingly, this negative declaration is issued.	

**B**. Although this project could have a significant adverse impact on the environment, that impact will be avoided or substantially mitigated because of the following conditions which will be required by the lead agency:

There will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the project as conditioned, and, therefore, this conditioned negative declaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be used only for UNLISTED actions (see 6 NYCRR 617.7(d)).

C. This Project may result in one or more significant adverse impacts on the environment, and an environmental impact statement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and possible mitigation and to explore alternatives to avoid or reduce those impacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration is issued.

Name of Action:

Name of Lead Agency:

Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:

Title of Responsible Officer:

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:	
Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)	Mattle Starler

#### For Further Information:

Contact Person:

Address:

Telephone Number:

E-mail:

### For Type 1 Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a copy of this Notice is sent to:

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Chief Executive Officer of the political subdivision in which the action will be principally located (e.g., Town / City / Village of) Other involved agencies (if any) Applicant (if any) Environmental Notice Bulletin: http://www.dec.ny.gov/enb/enb.html



## SMART GROWTH IMPACT STATEMENT ASSESSMENT FORM

Date:	November 17, 2024	Project Number:	373830
Project Applicant:	New York State Office of Mental Health		
Project Name:	Capital District Psychiatric Center Parking Garage Removal and Replacement		
Program:	NYS OMH Capital Projects Program	_	
Project Location:	75 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, Albany Cour	nty, New York	
Completed by:	Matthew A. Stanley, AICP, Office of Environme	ntal Affairs	

This Smart Growth Impact Statement Assessment Form ("SGISAF") is a tool to assist the applicant and the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York's ("DASNY's") Smart Growth Advisory Committee in deliberations to determine whether a project is consistent with the New York *State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act ("SSGPIPA"),* Article 6 of the New York State *Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL").*<sup>1</sup> Not all questions/answers may be relevant or applicable to all projects.

#### **Description of Proposed Action and Proposed Project:**

Proposed Action: DASNY's undertaking of the Proposed Project on behalf of NYS OMH Proposed Project: Demolition of the existing garage and construction of a new parking facility with approximately 552 spaces, including a multi-level garage, not exceeding four levels in height, and a surface lot, within the footprint of the existing garage. Two of the three existing pedestrian bridges linking the garage to CDPC would be demolished; the remaining bridge would undergo renovation and extension as necessary. A temporary parking lot would be constructed on the CDPC north lawn to serve the facility throughout the construction. Upon completion, the temporary lot would be restored as a lawn area; the paving, subbase and fabric would be removed, existing topsoil would be de-compacted and re-seeded, and the lawn area would be restored.

**Smart Growth Impact Assessment:** Have any other entities issued a Smart Growth Impact Statement ("SGIS") with regard to this project? (If so, attach same).  $\Box$  Yes  $\boxtimes$  No

1. Does the project advance or otherwise involve the use of, maintain, or improve existing infrastructure? Check one and describe: X Yes No Not Relevant

The Proposed Project would involve an existing parking garage on a psychiatric center campus.

- 2. Is the project located wholly or partially in a **municipal center**,<sup>2</sup> characterized by any of the following: Check all that apply and explain briefly:
  - A city or a village
  - Within the boundaries of a generally-recognized college, university, hospital or nursing-home campus
  - Area of concentrated and mixed land use that serves as a center for various activities including, but not limited to: **see below** 
    - Central business districts (i.e., commercial or geographic heart of a city, downtown or "city center)
       Main streets (i.e., primary retail street of a village, town, or small city)
    - Downtown areas (i.e., city's core, center or central business district)
    - Brownfield opportunity areas (<u>https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/brownFieldOpp/index.html</u>)
       Downtown areas of Local Waterfront Revitalization Programs ("LWRPs")
    - (https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/lwrp.html)
    - Transit-oriented development areas (i.e., areas with access to public transit for residents)

Environmental justice areas (<u>https://www.dec.ny.gov/public/911.html</u>)

Hardship areas

https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/ENV/A6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DASNY interprets the term "municipal centers" to include existing, developed institutional campuses such as universities, colleges and hospitals.

The Project Site is located in a Potential Environmental Justice Area as defined by the NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation, on the campus of Capital District Psychiatric Center, in the city of Albany. Therefore, the Proposed Project would be generally supportive of this criterion.

3. Is the project located adjacent to municipal centers (please see characteristics in question 2, above) with clearly-defined borders, in an area designated for concentrated development in the future by a municipal or regional comprehensive plan that exhibits strong land use, transportation, infrastructure and economic connections to an existing municipal center? Check one and describe:

This is not relevant because the project is consistent with criterion 2 above.

4. Is the project located in an area designated by a municipal or comprehensive plan, and appropriately zoned, as a future municipal center? Check one and describe: □ Yes □ No ⊠ Not Relevant

This is not relevant because the project is consistent with criterion 2 above.

5. Is the project located wholly or partially in a developed area or an area designated for concentrated infill development in accordance with a municipally-approved comprehensive land use plan, a local waterfront revitalization plan, brownfield opportunity area plan or other development plan? Check one and describe:
Yes No X Not Relevant

This is not relevant because the project is consistent with criterion 2 above.

6. Does the project preserve and enhance the state's resources, including agricultural lands, forests, surface and groundwater, air quality, recreation and open space, scenic areas, and/or significant historic and archeological resources? Check one and describe: X Yes No Not Relevant

DASNY's coordinated SEQR review has concluded that the Proposed Project would have no significant adverse unmitigated impacts on agricultural lands, forests, surface and groundwater, air quality, recreation and open space, scenic areas, and/or significant historic and archeological resources. Therefore, the Proposed Project would be generally supportive of this criterion.

7. Does the project foster mixed land uses and compact development, downtown revitalization, brownfield redevelopment, the enhancement of beauty in public spaces, the diversity and affordability of housing in proximity to places of employment, recreation and commercial development and/or the integration of all income and age groups? Check one and describe: □ Yes □ No ⊠ Not Relevant

The Proposed Project would replace a deteriorated parking garage with a new, modern parking garage and surface parking lot; it would not alter the current mix of land uses in the project vicinity and would not specifically contribute to or prohibit the advancement of the criteria listed above.

8. Does the project provide mobility through transportation choices, including improved public transportation and reduced automobile dependency? Check one and describe: Yes No X Not Relevant

The Proposed Project would not specifically contribute to or prohibit the advancement of the criteria listed above.

9. Does the project demonstrate coordination among state, regional, and local planning and governmental officials?<sup>3</sup> Check one and describe: Xes No Not Relevant

DASNY, acting as lead agency, conducted a coordinated SEQR review of the Proposed Project. Other potentially involved agencies and/or interested parties included in the review are the City of Albany, local elected officials, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYS DEC"), and NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation ("OPRHP"). The SEQR lead agency establishment regulations set

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Demonstration may include *State Environmental Quality Review ["SEQR"]* coordination with involved and interested agencies, district formation, agreements between involved parties, letters of support, State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ["SPDES"] permit issuance/revision notices, etc.

a 30-day period for each involved agency or interested party to review the SEQR documents and provide any comments, concerns or the nature of their approval. Therefore, the Proposed Project would be generally supportive of this criterion.

10. Does the project involve community-based planning and collaboration? Check one and describe: ⊠ Yes □ No □ Not Relevant

As noted above, the City of Albany and local elected officials were included as involved agencies and/or interested parties in DASNY's coordinated SEQR review. Therefore, the Proposed Project would be generally supportive of this criterion.

11. Is the project consistent with local building and land use codes? Check one and describe: ⊠ Yes □ No □ Not Relevant

The Proposed Project would be undertaken in compliance with all applicable codes and regulations and therefore would be generally supportive of this criterion.

12. Does the project promote sustainability by strengthening existing and creating new communities which reduce greenhouse gas emissions and do not compromise the needs of future generations? Check one and describe: Yes No Not Relevant

The Proposed Project would not emit greenhouse gases and therefore would be generally supportive of this criterion.

13. During the development of the project, was there broad-based public involvement?<sup>4</sup> Check one and describe: X Yes No Not Relevant

As noted above, the City of Albany and local elected officials were included as involved agencies and/or interested parties in DASNY's coordinated SEQR review. Therefore, the Proposed Project would be generally supportive of this criterion.

14. Does the Recipient have an ongoing governance structure to sustain the implementation of community planning? Check one and describe: X Yes No Not Relevant

NYS OMH's mission is the promotion of mental health, with a particular focus on providing hope and recovery for adults with serious mental illness and children with serious emotional disturbances. As such, NYS OMH engages in planning activities on an ongoing basis to improve the quality of services it delivers to residents across the state. Therefore, the Proposed Project would be consistent with this criterion.

15. Does the project mitigate future physical climate risk due to sea level rise, and/or storm surges and/or flooding, based on available data predicting the likelihood of future extreme weather events, including hazard risk analysis data if applicable? Check one and describe: ∑ Yes □ No □ Not Relevant

The Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") Flood Insurance Rate Map for the City of Albany indicates that the Project Site is not located in the 100-year or 500-year floodplain. The Project Site is situated at an elevation ranging from approximately 190 to 210 feet above sea level. The Proposed Project would be generally supportive of this criterion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Documentation may include *SEQR* coordination with involved and interested agencies, SPDES permit issuance/revision notice, approval of Bond Resolution, formation of district, evidence of public hearings, *Environmental Notice Bulletin ["ENB"]* or other published notices, letters of support, etc.

## DASNY has reviewed the available information regarding this project and finds:

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The project was developed in general consistency with the relevant Smart Growth Criteria.

The project was not developed in general consistency with the relevant Smart Growth Criteria.

It was impracticable to develop this project in a manner consistent with the relevant Smart Growth Criteria for the following reasons:

## **ATTESTATION**

I, President of DASNY/designee of the President of DASNY, hereby attest that the Proposed Project, to the extent practicable, meets the relevant criteria set forth above and that to the extent that it is not practical to meet any relevant criterion, for the reasons given above.

November 17, 2024

Signature/Date

Robert S. Derico, R.A., Director, Office of Environmental Affairs **Print Name and Title**