

Dear Elected Official,

As a concerned constituent, I would like to encourage you to take action to stop the Jupiter 275 MW Lithium Battery Storage Facility (BESS) in Glenwood Landing and the Propel High Voltage Cables from being placed under our residential streets and Hempstead Harbor. Underlying these projects is the New York State Rapid Act which has the goal of streamlining environmental reviews and permitting. This hasty process reduces the ability for local officials to thoroughly evaluate major projects and their effects on their communities. While renewable energy is vital, it must not come at the cost of public health, safety, and environmental integrity.

The Oyster Shore Energy Storage project proposes to build a BESS similar to several sites that have recently been in the news due to battery fires, including fires in New York and Moss Landing CA. This highlights the risks of toxic emissions, prolonged evacuations, and environmental damage. The proposed BESS is dangerously close to homes, schools, and critical infrastructure, posing unacceptable risks. Our local Volunteer Fire Departments do not have adequate resources to fight fires of these easily combustible batteries.

The Propel high voltage cable project raises concerns about utility service disruptions, prolonged road closures, and emergency response delays. This project is planned to cover large swaths of Long Island. However, all of the lines are planned to converge in our area in a manner that has never been done and is therefore potentially problematic. The disruption to communities and businesses will add to already significant traffic congestion on thoroughfares large and small. This project can jeopardize our safety, property values, and quality of life.

I urge you to oppose these projects as well as the NYS Rapid Act to ensure our local governments can comprehensively examine and analyze long-term health and environmental impacts. Thank you.

Signature:

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Address: