

New York Tier 1 RESRFP26-1 Proposers' Webinar

NYSERDA Large-Scale Resources Team

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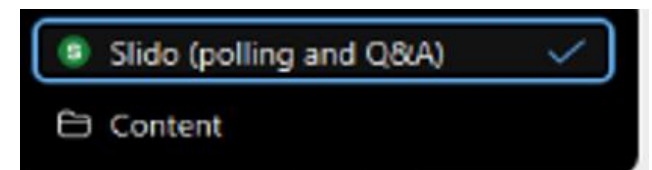
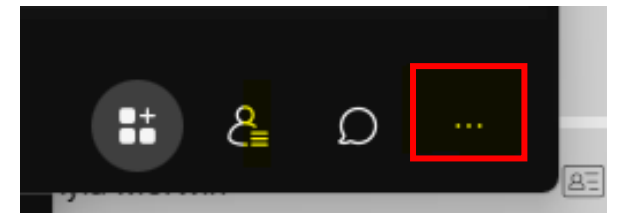
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RESRFP26-1

Renewable Energy Standard Program
Purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates



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Land-Based Renewable Energy Solicitation Announced

Competitive Solicitation Supports New York's Large- Scale Renewable Energy Industry

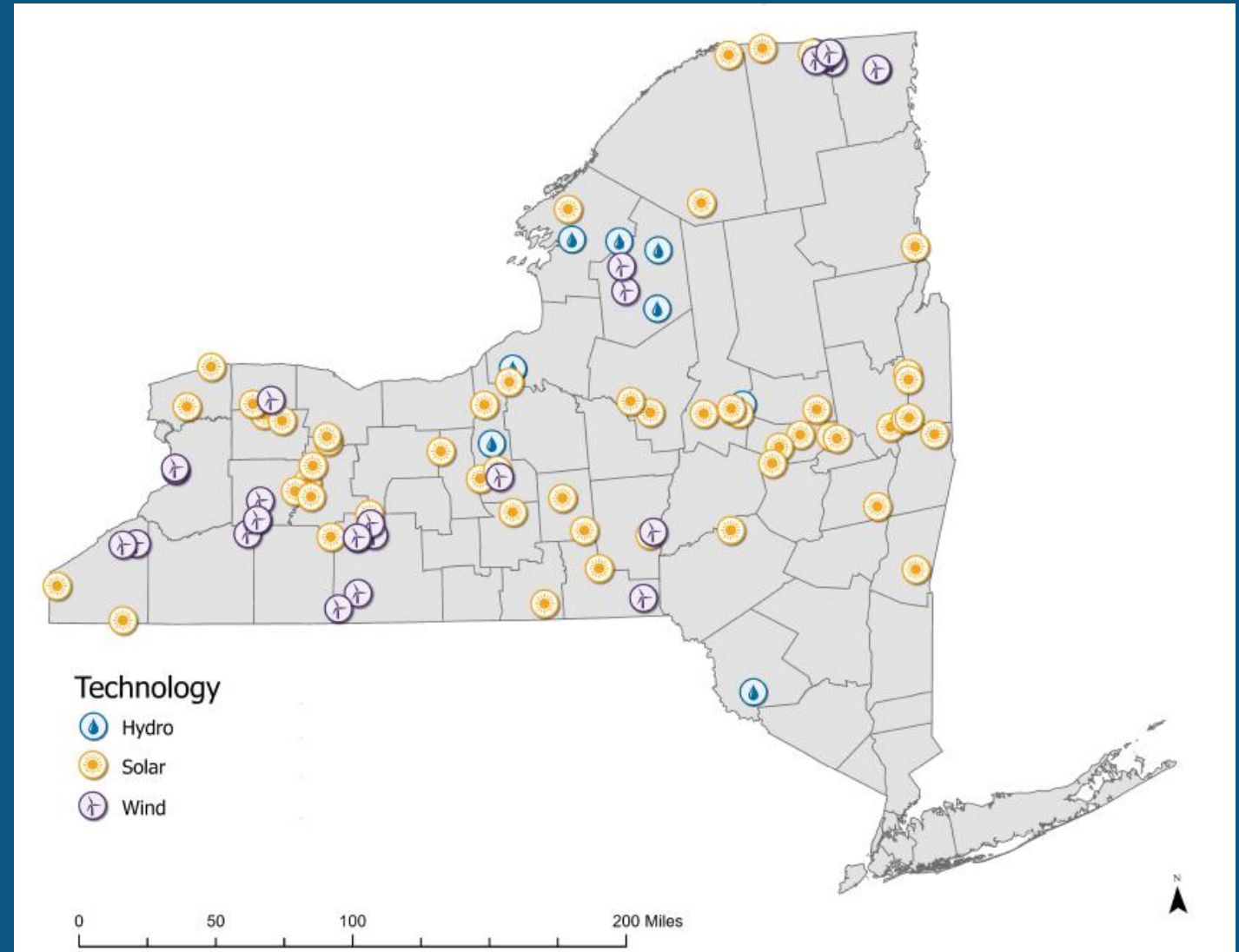
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The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) today announced the launch of a land-based renewable energy solicitation to continue to support New York's large-scale renewable industry and advance clean energy deployment while delivering reliable and affordable energy to all New Yorkers. The solicitation is focused on advancing mature large-scale renewable energy projects ready to begin construction.

New York's Large-Scale Resources Portfolio

- 33 operating projects, 1.4 GW
- 58 projects in development and under construction, 6.0 GW
- Annual generation capable of powering 10%+ of New York's 2030 electricity demand

NYSDERDA LARGE-SCALE RESOURCES Tier 1 Operating & Under Development Portfolio



Solicitation Summary and Schedule

**RESRFP26-1 released on
April 24, 2026**

**RESRFP26-1 will be
implemented in a two-step
process:**

1. Step One Eligibility Application
2. Step Two Bid Proposal
 - a) Non-Price Submission
 - b) Bid Price Submission

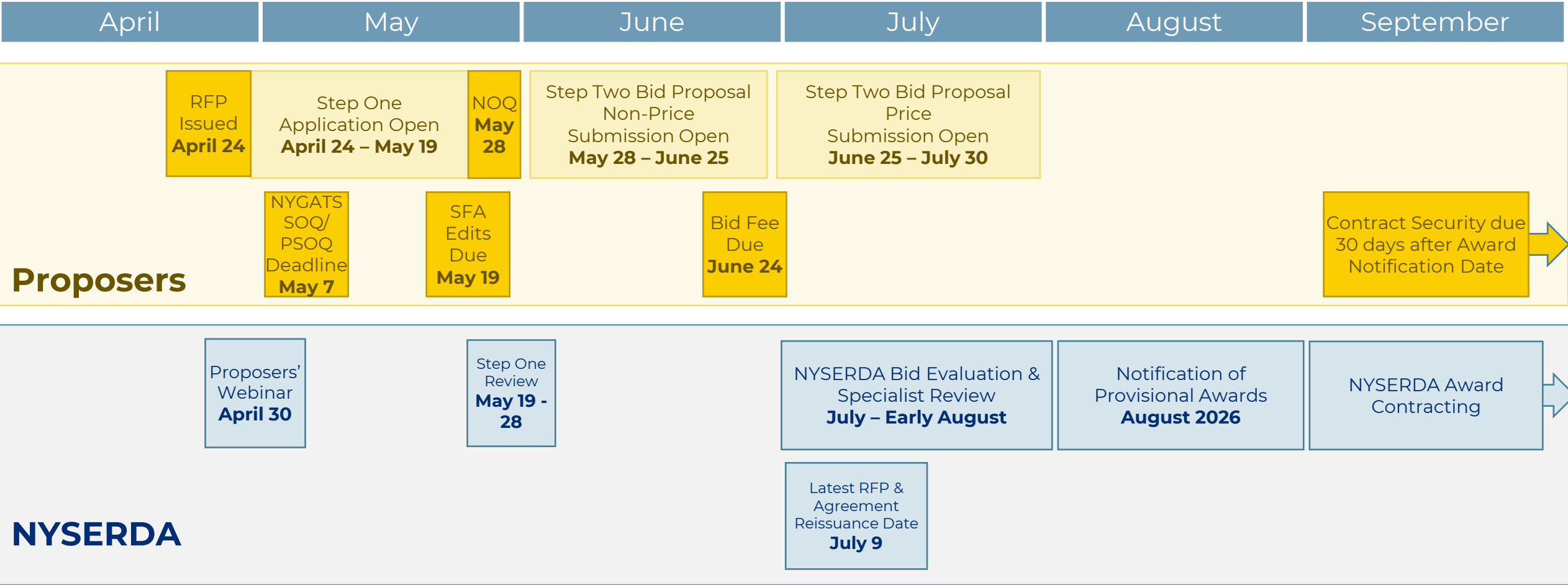
<https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/ces/rfp>

NYSERDA seeks to procure New York Tier 1 eligible Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) annually from Bid Facilities that meet the eligibility requirements described in RESRFP26-1.

RESRFP26-1 is designed to advance late-stage large-scale renewable energy projects ready to commence construction in New York.

In the event of any conflict between these webinar materials and RESRFP26-1 Request for Proposals, the RESRFP26-1 document shall prevail

RFP SCHEDULE



Review RFP Section 1.3 for a full schedule.

New and Notable Items

Step Two Non-Price & Price Submissions

Step Two Bid Proposals will be solicited in two phases:

Non-Price phase: June 25

Price phase: July 30

Interconnection

- **Under NYISO's prior interconnection rules:** Completed IX study process with NYISO, or equivalent, and tendered an Interconnection Agreement
- **If proceeding through Cluster Study process:** Active in Phase 2 of Cluster Study, accept CTOAF/SUF Cost Allocation if awarded

See Section 5.3.1 of the RFP

Contract Tenor

- For wind and solar PV Bid Facilities that were not in Commercial Operation as of the RFP Release Date, the **Maximum Contract Tenor will be 25 years.**
- A Base Bid proposal for up to 20 years will be required.

See Section 2.5 of the RFP for full details.

New and Notable Items

Alternate Bid Proposals

Three options:

1. Alternate Nameplate Capacity
2. Component Cost Indices Adjustment
3. Alternate Contract Tenor (wind and solar)

See Section 5.1 of the RFP for full details.

U.S. Iron and Steel (Buy American)

- NYSERDA will publish the \$/MW minimum expenditure requirements by July 9, 2026.

See Section 6.7.3 of the RFP for full details.

rUPF for 20 MWac or Less

- Proposers of Bid Facilities with a Nameplate Capacity of 20 MWac or less will have the option to select an rUPF value of either 0 or 1 in bid evaluation and, if awarded, settlement.
- The rUPF value for all other Proposers will be 1.

See Section 3.1.2 of the RFP for full details.

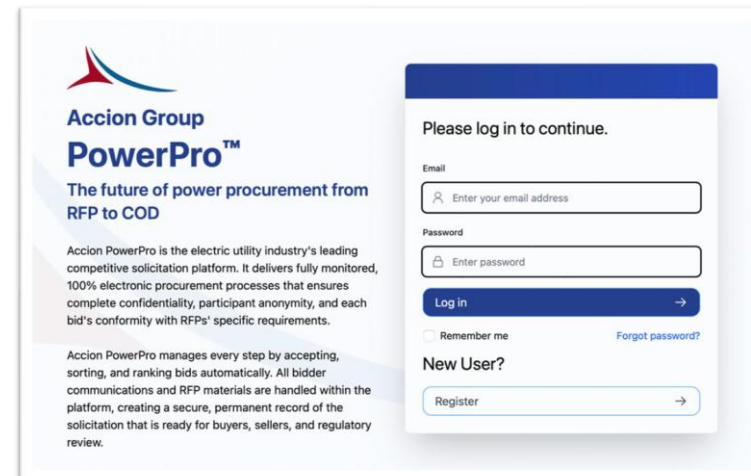
New and Notable Items

Solicitation Elements Removed since RESRFP25-1

- Alternate Co-located Storage Bid Proposal option removed
- Carbon Emissions and Embodied Carbon Minimum Threshold category removed

Step Two Bid Form: Accion Power Pro

- The solicitation website for RESRFP26-1 features updated version of Accion Power web platform called [PowerPro](#).
- Users who created a profile on the RESRFP25-1 solicitation website will be able to access [PowerPro](#) using their email address and RESRFP25-1 password.
- All other users will need to create a new user profile.



The screenshot displays the Accion PowerPro login and registration page. On the left, the Accion Group logo is shown above the text "Accion Group PowerPro™" and "The future of power procurement from RFP to COD". Below this, a paragraph describes the platform as a leading competitive solicitation platform. At the bottom left, another paragraph states that the platform manages every step of the bidding process automatically.

On the right, there is a login form with the heading "Please log in to continue." It includes fields for "Email" (with a search icon and placeholder "Enter your email address") and "Password" (with a lock icon and placeholder "Enter password"). Below these fields are a "Log in" button with a right-pointing arrow, a "Remember me" checkbox, and a "Forgot password?" link. At the bottom of the form is a "New User?" section with a "Register" button and a right-pointing arrow.

Step One and Step Two Submissions

RESRFP26-1 will be implemented through a two-step process. Submissions for both steps are required for all participating Bid Facilities and must be made via the solicitation website.

Step One Eligibility Application: A qualifying step through which the Proposer must provide information regarding the Proposer and the Bid Facility and evidence that the Bid Facility is Tier 1 eligible.

Step Two Bid Proposal: A competitive Bid Proposal step, solicited in two phases, through which NYSERDA will: (1) examine each Bid Proposal to determine that the Bid Facility and Proposer meet the Minimum Threshold Requirements; and (2) for Bid Proposals that meet those minimum requirements, a competitive evaluation based on price and non-price factors.

See Section 4 and 5 of the RFP for full details.

Eligibility

An eligible Bid Facility must...

1. Be located within the New York Control Area (NYCA) or in an adjacent control area and supply energy into New York State, in accordance with the RES Delivery Requirements in the Agreement, and
2. Have first commenced Commercial Operation on or after January 1, 2015, or
3. Produce new, incremental energy and Tier 1 RECs from new Bid Capacity above a historical baseline. A Proposer may not condition the acceptance of one Proposal based on the withdrawal or acceptance of other Proposals. NYSERDA will not award more than one Bid Proposal for the same Bid Facility.

Eligible Tier 1 Technology Types

Technology	Source	Other Requirements
Solar	Photovoltaics and Thermal	
On-land and offshore wind	Wind turbines	
Hydroelectric	Low-Impact Run-of-River Hydroelectric; Upgrades	No new storage impoundments; eligibility for Upgrades limited to the incremental production associated with the upgrade.
Fuel Cells	Solid Oxide Fuel Cells (SOFC) Molten Carbonate Fuel Cells (MCFC) Proton Exchange Membrane Cells (PEM) Phosphoric Acid Fuel Cells (PAFC)	Must utilize a non-fossil fuel resource, such as hydrogen (or other fuel), that has been produced using a "renewable energy system" as a primary source.
Tidal/Wave/Ocean	Tidal and Ocean Wave or Current (turbines and other rotary motion devices); Ocean Thermal Pumped Storage Hydro Powered by Tidal	
Geothermal Electric		
Geothermal Ground Source Heat		

See Section 2 of the RFP for full details.

Upgrade and Repower Eligibility

Upgrades

Upgrade Bid Facilities are eligible to the extent that they produce incremental generation that exceeds the Bid Facility's historical generation levels as verified by a third-party engineering report.

Repowers

The full generation produced by a Repowering Bid Facility is eligible if the Bid Facility has reached the end of its useful life (e.g., 20 years for wind and Solar PV Bid Facilities, 50 years for hydroelectric Bid Facilities) and has met the requirements to (i) replace each prime mover, resulting in an overall increase of 15% or more in the production of the generation unit, and (ii) make capital expenditures in excess of 80% of the Repowering Bid Facility's net book value (not including its property and intangible assets).

See Section 2.4 of the RFP for full details.

Tier 1 RECs are ineligible for award if...

- They were the subject of a provisional award under NYSERDA's RESRFP23-1, RESRFP24-1, or RESRFP25-1 solicitations
 - Includes Bid Facilities that failed to execute agreements for such provisional awards or terminated their agreements from these solicitations
 - Does not include Bid Facilities whose awards were subsequently rescinded/projects ultimately deemed ineligible for award

Tier 1 RECs that are already committed to NYSERDA or any other entity pursuant to an existing award or contract (Encumbered Tier 1 RECs) are not eligible for award in RESRFP26-1. As such, a Bid Proposal in RESRFP26-1 should not include any Encumbered Tier 1 RECs in the Bid Quantity or Bid Quantity Percentage.

Amended and Restated Mutual Termination Agreement

For Bid Facilities with an Amended and Restated Mutual Termination Agreement (“ARMTA”), NYSERDA will maintain the approach as previously set out in RESRFP24-1 and RESRFP25-1, as follows:

1. For Bid Facilities subject to the ARMTA, NYSERDA will not draw on ARMTA contract security until a pre-established but confidential amount of generation associated with Bid Facilities subject to the ARMTA is awarded and contracted with NYSERDA (the “Threshold Point”), at which point NYSERDA will draw on the contract security of the remaining Bid Facilities subject to ARMTAs that have not been provisionally awarded as of that time, other than Bid Facilities, if any, that have been ineligible to propose into any of the RES solicitations issued after the date of the ARMTA under which awards have been made as of such time (“Ineligible Bid Facilities”). If a Bid Facility that is eligible for RESRFP26-1 or a subsequent RES solicitation does not participate in the first RES solicitation that it is eligible for, NYSERDA will draw its contract security at that time.
2. At the time the Threshold Point is reached, NYSERDA will not draw on the contract security of any Ineligible Bid Facilities (as defined above). However, after the Threshold Point is reached, NYSERDA will draw on the contract security of any Ineligible Bid Facility if and when it becomes eligible to propose into a RES solicitation if it either fails to propose or is not awarded in such solicitation.
3. Consistent with the existing terms of the ARMTA, if a Bid Facility that is subject to an ARMTA is awarded in RESRFP26-1 or any subsequent RES solicitation, its existing contract security will be added to the additional contract security due in the solicitation it is awarded under.

Bid Price Structure and Evaluation

FIXED AND INDEX REC PRICE STRUCTURES

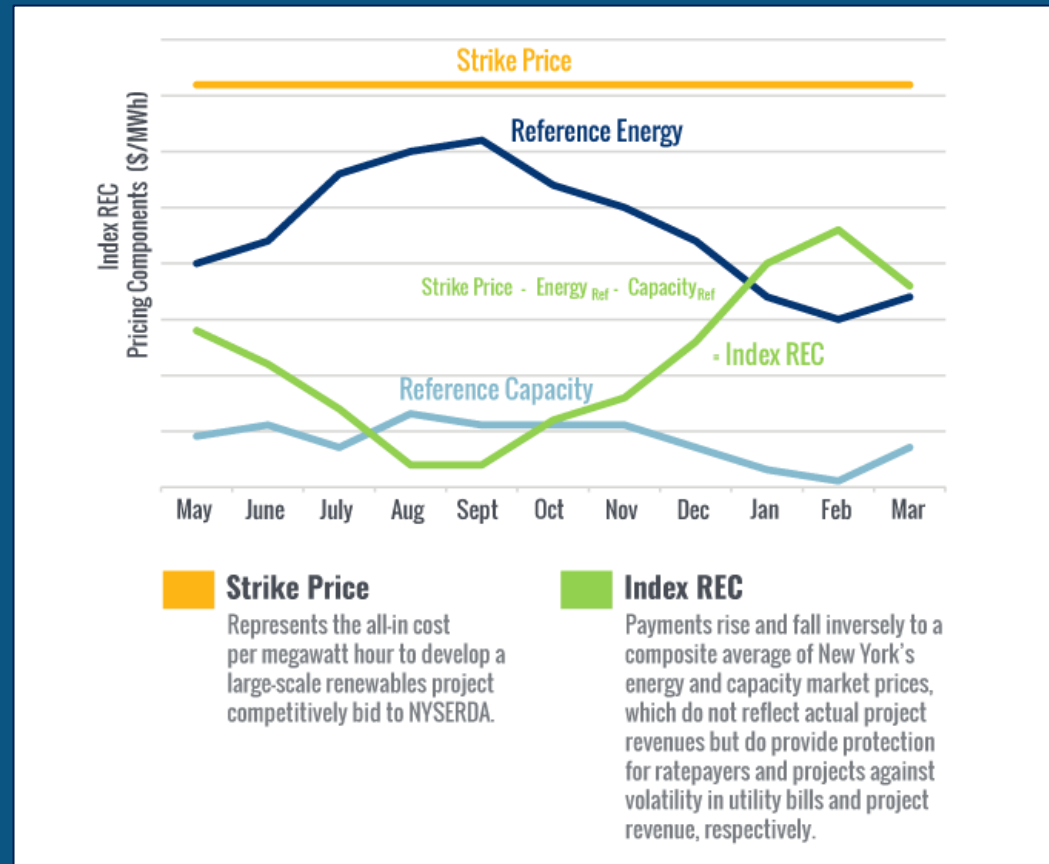
Proposers have the option to submit a Fixed or Index Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) Price.

Fixed REC: Fixed price paid for each REC delivered for one MWh generated and delivered for end use in NYS.

Index REC: REC payments rise and fall inversely to energy and capacity revenues.

Fixed REC Price or Index REC Strike Price will be uniform for the full contract tenor.

Calculation of Monthly Reference Prices (Energy & Capacity) will reflect the facility's point of interconnection/delivery.



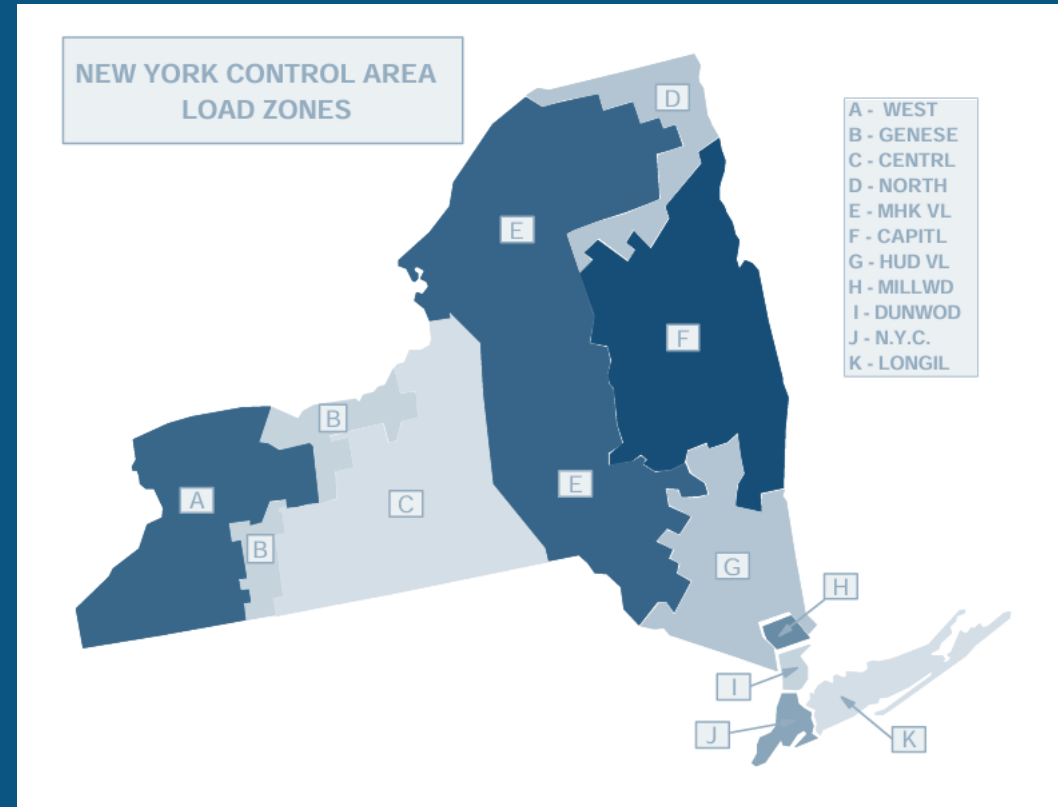
See Section 3 of the RFP for full details.

Price comprises 70% of bid evaluation.

Fixed REC and Index REC will be converted to a Levelized Net REC Cost (LNRC), evaluated over the contract tenor.

Index REC strike prices will be converted to LNRCs with NYISO Zone-specific energy and capacity forecasts based on the Bid Facility's 8,760 generation profile.

Lowest LNRC will receive the maximum points available for the Bid Price component (70 points), higher LNRCs will receive lower scores (less than 70 points).



Index REC Payment Structure

Index REC Strike Price: Proposer chooses one Strike Price for the contract tenor.

Reference Energy Price: Calculated monthly based on the average hourly day-ahead market zonal Locational Based Marginal Pricing (LBMP) for the Bid Facility's NYISO Zone.

Reference Capacity Price: Calculated monthly by NYSERDA using data published by NYISO for its spot market unforced capacity "UCAP" prices.

Monthly REC Price: Difference of Strike Price and sum of Reference Energy Price and Reference Capacity Price for each month, paid for each MWh produced by the Bid Facility in the subject month.

$$\text{Index REC Strike Price} - \left(\text{Reference Energy Price} + \text{Equiv. Reference Capacity Price} \right) = \text{Monthly REC Price (\$/MWh) Paid to Seller}$$

Component Cost Indices Adjustment (CCIA)

For Alternate Bid Proposals in which Proposers opt to include a CCIA, the Index REC Strike Price or Fixed REC Price will be adjusted to reflect changes in pre-determined price or indices between the Step Two Bid Proposal Price Submission Deadline and the earlier of Final Investment Decision (FID) or the Full Notice to Proceed (FNTP). The REC_{adj} value will be subject to a 12% cap and floor.

Qualifying Governmental Support

For all Proposals, the Index Strike Price or Fixed REC Price will be adjusted to account for Qualifying Governmental Support received by the awarded project.

The CCIA adjustment differs by technology. Technology-specific formulas and indices are memorialized in Exhibit L of the Agreement.

Price Submission

Bid Price and Cost Assumptions

Submitting Bid Price and Cost Assumptions

The Step Two Bid Proposal Price Submission must be received by NYSERDA by 3:00 p.m. ET on Thursday, July 30, 2026, via electronic submission on the solicitation website.

The Bid Price for the Base Bid Proposal and Alternate Bid Proposals will be collected as part of the Price Submission.

Proposers must also submit their Bid Facility cost assumptions in Attachment F. Bid Facility Cost Assumptions as part of the Step Two Bid Proposal Price Submission.

See Attachment F. Bid Facility Cost Assumptions

Non-Price Components and Evaluation

Project Viability, Operational Flexibility, and
Peak Coincidence &
Incremental Economic Benefits

Project Viability, Operational Flexibility, and Peak Coincidence comprise 20% of bid evaluation.

Subcategories for Evaluation:

- Interconnection
- Permitting Viability
- Energy Deliverability
- Peak Coincidence
- Agricultural and Forested Land
- Project Development
- Financing and Creditworthiness

Minimum Thresholds only:

- Community Engagement
- Resource Assessment and Energy Production Estimate
- Climate Resiliency

All Minimum Threshold Requirements must be met to be evaluated for an award, and maintained until contract execution.



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PROJECT VIABILITY, OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY, AND PEAK COINCIDENCE

Subcategories for Evaluation

Category	Minimum Threshold	Required Documentation
Interconnection	Completed NYISO IX study process and tendered an Interconnection Agreement or be under study in Phase 2 of the Cluster Study.	Evidence of tendered IA or that the Bid Facility enrolled in the Phase 2 Study and satisfied requirements for deposit payments
Permitting Viability	Permitting Plan, Bid Facility that does not have an unreasonably low probability of receiving required permits, and complete on-site wetland and waterbody screening, as set out in Appendix 3	Permitting Plan, detailed map of site plan, including GIS mapping files, and an on-site screening report conducted in accordance with Appendix 3
Energy Deliverability Peak Coincidence	Required interconnection data 8760 hourly generation profile	P(50) 8760 Profile, Interconnection Data Energy Deliverability Study (if available)
Agricultural and Forested Land (Solar PV Only)	Agricultural Land description Smart Solar Siting Scorecard Workbook	Smart Solar Siting Scorecard Workbook Exhibit 4 In-Field Verification or ORES Ex. 11 & 15 Draft Pre-CO ACUP (if applicable)
Project Development	Proposer team has developed one similarly-sized or larger renewable energy project	Management chart, development experience, procured equipment, disclosure of legal action
Financing and Creditworthiness	Provide requested documents and Financing Plan demonstrating capability to complete construction by proposed commercial operation date	Organizational Chart, Evidence of investment grade Credit Rating, key credit ratios (if available), Financial Statements, Financing Plan
Project Maturity	Bid Facility can reasonably be permitted, developed, financed, and constructed within the proposed Project Schedule.	

Minimum Threshold Only Subcategories

Category	Minimum Threshold	Required Documentation
Community Engagement	Project has informed host community and local elected officials about the Bid Facility's participation in RESRFP26-1. Proposer conducted at least one public meeting for community members	Att. B Public Release of Bid Facility Information and Community Engagement Plan Documentation of host AHJ notification Documentation of public meeting
Resource Assessment & Energy Production Estimate (RA/EPE)	RA/EPE consistent with Appendix 1	RA/EPE Report
Climate Resiliency	Climate hazards exposure screening Description of measures to reduce future risk	Climate hazards exposure screening, including site map with flood exposure Description of efforts to reduce future risk exposure

See Section 5 of the RFP for full details.

Interconnection

Minimum Threshold

- If proceeding through the interconnection process under the NYIOS's prior interconnection rules the Proposer must have completed the interconnection study process with the NYISO, or equivalent system operator, and been tendered an Interconnection Agreement for the Bid Facility.
- If proceeding through the Cluster Study interconnection process the Proposer must be actively under study in Phase 2 of the Cluster Study. Proposers that receive a provisional award will be required to accept their Connecting Transmission Owner's Attachment Facilities (CTOAF) and System Upgrade Facilities (SUF) Project Cost Allocation as a result of the Phase 2 Study.

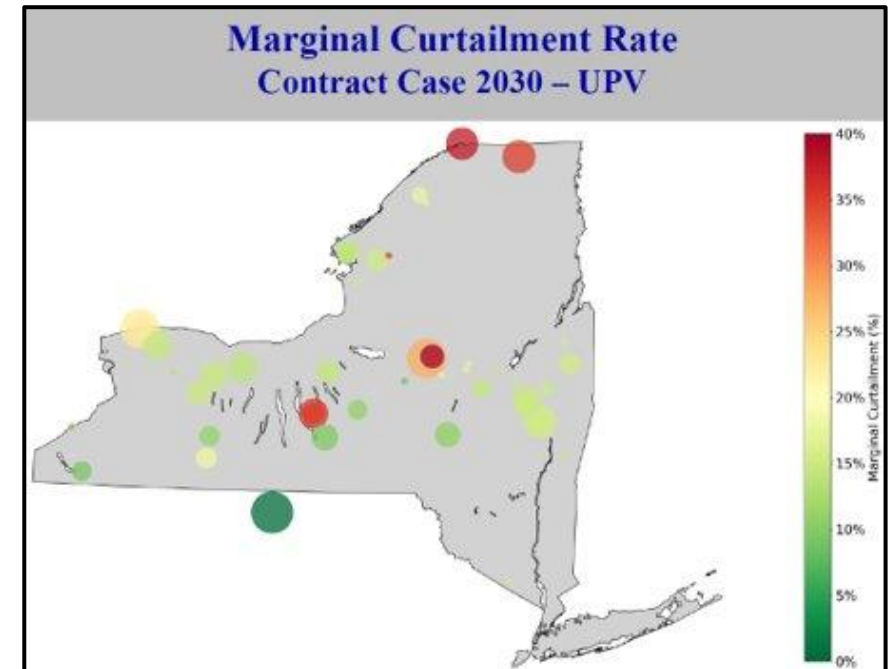
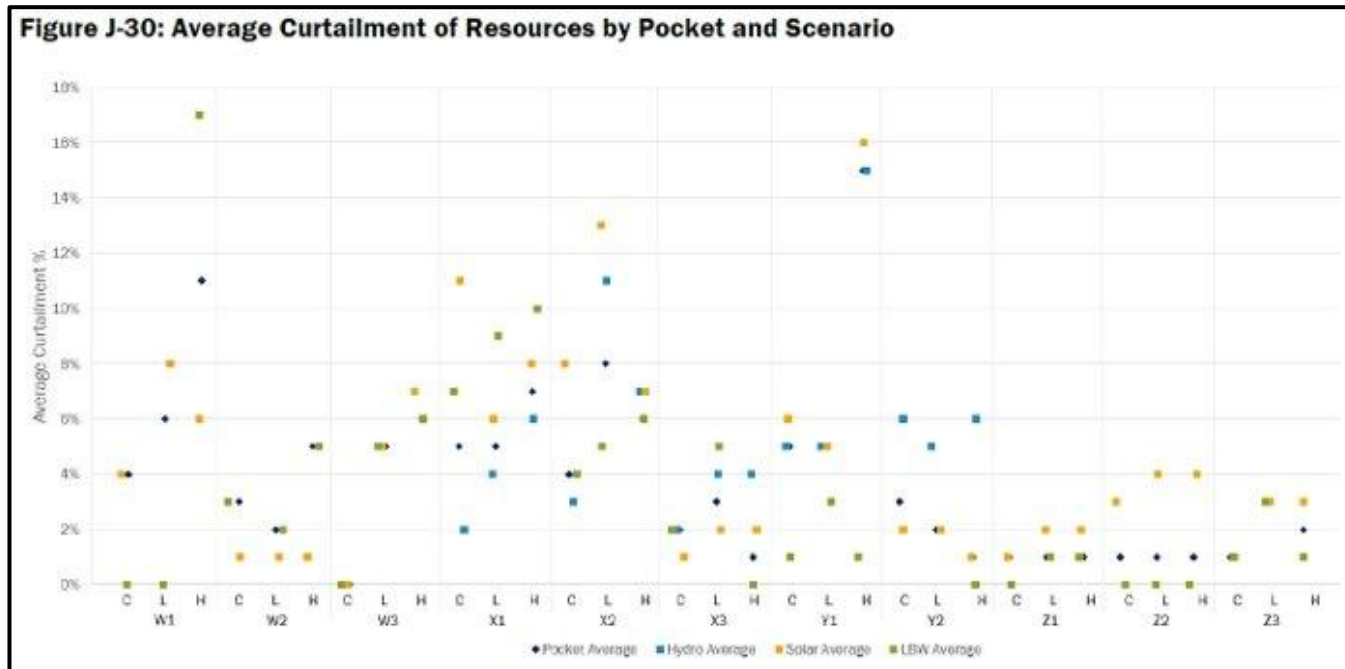
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Permitting Viability

1. Submit a complete Permitting Plan that:
 - a) Demonstrates awareness of all applicable permitting requirements, includes a reasonable timeline for obtaining permits and authorizations that is consistent with the development plan; and
 - b) Adequately addresses other expected permitting obstacles and/or input from the Bid Facility's host community; and
2. Must have proposed a Bid Facility that does not have an unreasonably low probability of receiving required permits, based on NYSERDA's, the Technical Evaluation Panel's (TEP), and Specialist Reviewers' assessment of the permitting studies and Permitting Plan.
3. Complete an on-site wetland and waterbody screening, as set out in Appendix 3. NYSERDA Guidance for Wetland and Stream Screenings for Large-Scale Renewable Energy Projects.

Energy Deliverability

- Evaluation based on the benefits afforded to the electric grid (grid congestion, delivery constraints), and the extent to which a Proposer can demonstrate that the Bid Facility can deliver its proposed generation to the electrical system without adversely impacting the generation of existing and planned renewable generators.

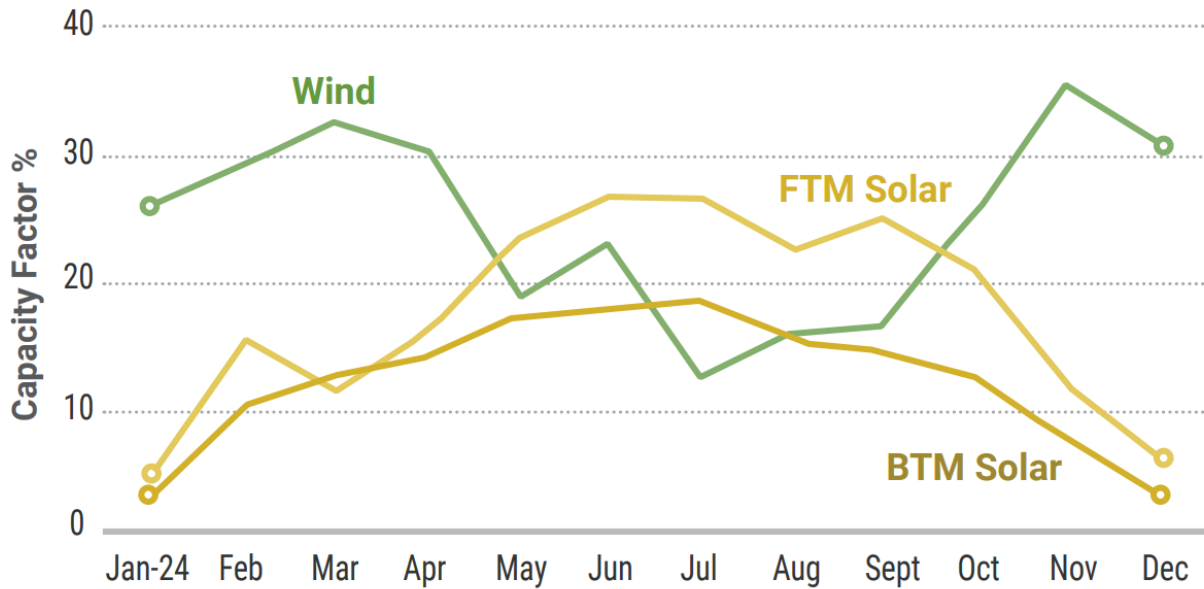


See Section 5.3.3 of the RFP for full details.

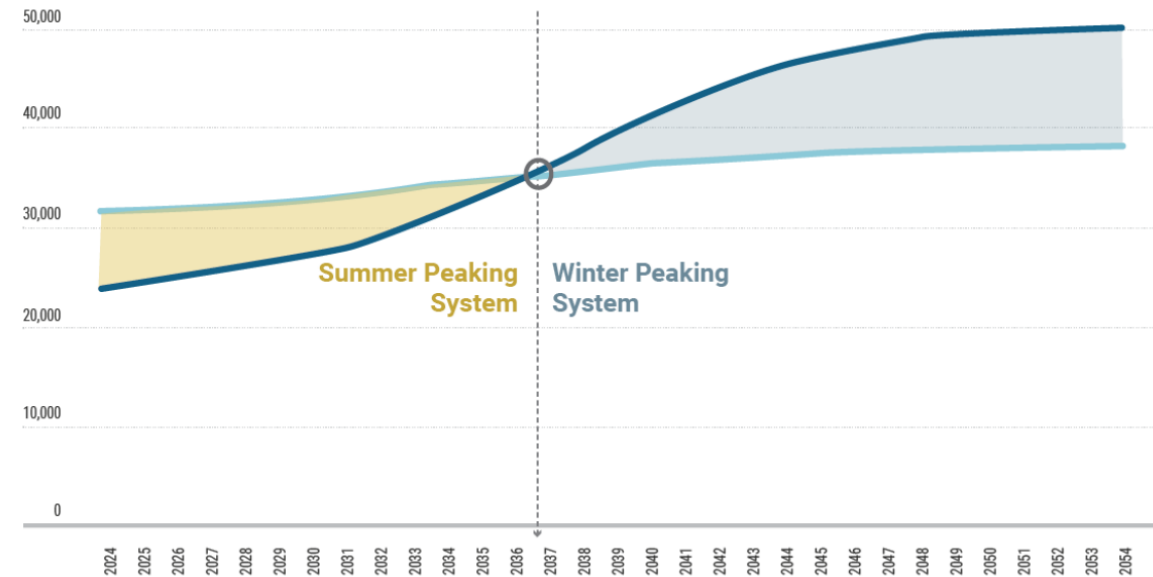
Peak Coincidence

- Evaluation based on how the Bid Facility's expected generation profile matches future estimates of NYISO load net of the portfolio of operational, contracted, and under development renewable and zero-emissions generation in New York State.

MONTHLY WIND AND SOLAR CAPACITY FACTORS



Peak Load Forecast for Summer & Winter (MW)



See Section 5.3.4 of the RFP for full details.

Agricultural and Forested Land

Proposed Solar Bid Facilities will be evaluated based on their verified Scorecard total score, with respect to expected impacts to active agricultural land, Mineral Soil Groups 1 through 4 (MSG 1-4), and forested lands, as well as any avoidance, mitigation, and/or co-utilization measures that the Proposer is willing to commit to in their Bid Proposal.

- Projects that commit to co-utilization measures in their Scorecard, and Agricultural Co-Utilization Plan will be preferentially evaluated by the TEP. Project sites that demonstrate extensive forested land conversions as part of pre-development, such as clearing a portion of the proposed Facility Area while under site control prior to obtaining the appropriate permits, may be viewed less favorably in evaluation.

See Section 5.3.5 of the RFP for full details.

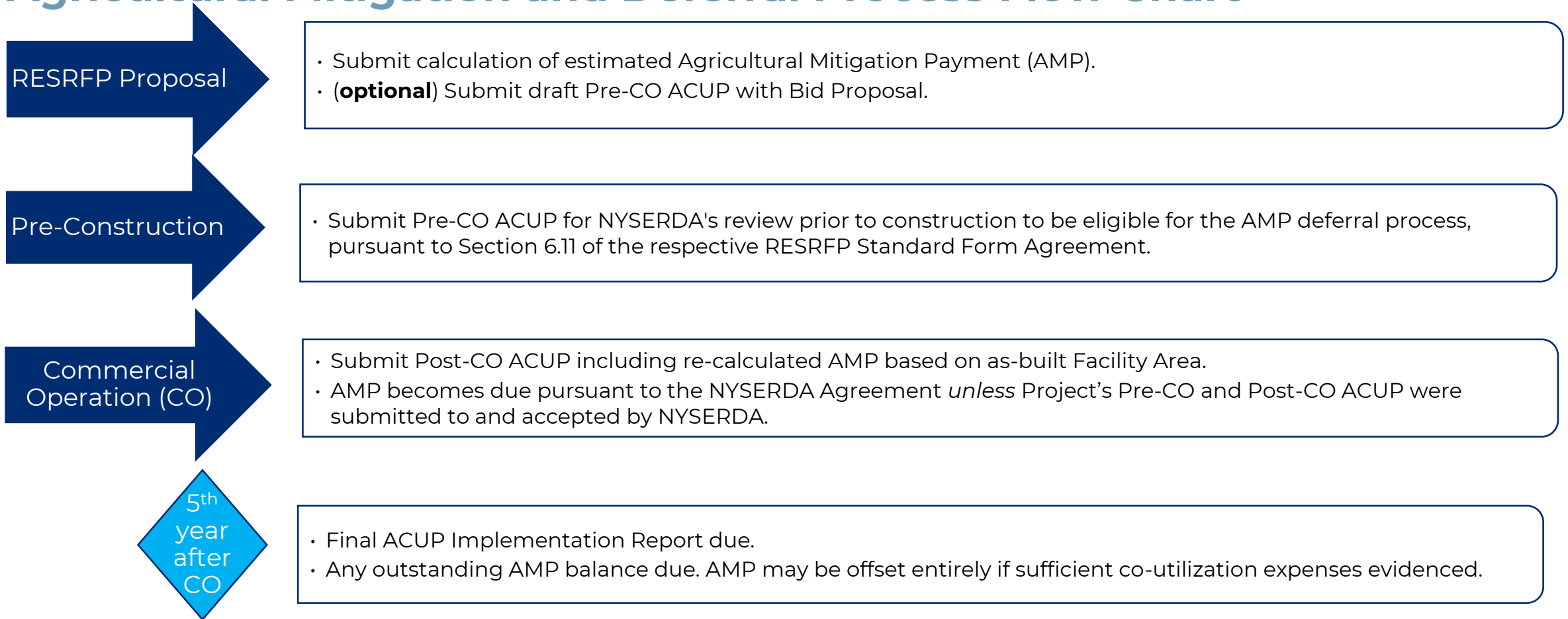
Agricultural and Forested Land

Proposers of solar Bid Facilities may optionally request access to Climate & Applied Forest Research Institute (CAFRI) data used by the State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY-ESF) and by NYSERDA to assess the potential impacts of a Bid Facility(ies) on forested lands, which informs the Forested Lands avoidance component of the Scorecard.

1. Request CAFRI Data by selecting “I Agree” to the “GIS Acknowledgement” question and providing latitude and longitude data in the Step One Eligibility Application.
2. Proposers receive GIS data products (raster files) detailing Forested Lands in the bounding box provided in the Step One Eligibility Application.
3. Proposers complete Forested Lands Categories section of the Scorecard for avoidance points as part of the Step Two Bid Proposal Non-Price Submission.
4. NYSERDA and CAFRI verify submissions using Facility Area files submitted by the Proposer as part of the Step Two Bid Proposal Non-Price Submission.

Forested Land Categories: Carbon Trends and Carbon Stock	Growing Forested Land	Static/Declining Forested Land	
High Live Carbon Stock (% of FA)			<i>Both Entries Required</i>
Moderate Live Carbon Stock (% of FA)			<i>Both Entries Required</i>
Low Live Carbon Stock (% of FA)			<i>Both Entries Required</i>

Agricultural Mitigation and Deferral Process Flow Chart



See Section 5.3.5 and Appendix 6 of the RFP for full details.

Project Development Experience

Minimum Threshold: the Proposer Team must have developed at least one renewable generation facility to commercial operation that is of similar or larger scale than the Bid Facility. For the purposes of this criterion, similar scale is defined as follows:

- A project of at least 50% of the proposed Bid Facility capacity, in MWac; or
- A project of at least 33% of the proposed Bid Facility capacity, in MWac, if the Proposer has also successfully completed the interconnection process in the same interconnecting entity as the proposed Bid Facility.

Financing and Creditworthiness

Minimum Threshold: The requested financing and creditworthiness documents are provided and the **Financing Plan** demonstrates the financial capability to complete construction by the proposed commercial operation date and a sufficient degree of planning and due diligence on how the Bid Facility is to be financed.

Creditworthiness Documentation:

- Organizational Chart
- Evidence of investment grade Credit Rating (if available)
- Credit Ratios
- Audited financial statements for the three most recent fiscal years
- Financing Plan

See Section 5.3.7 of the RFP for full details.

Project Maturity

Proposers must demonstrate that the Bid Facility can reasonably be permitted, developed, financed, and constructed within the proposed Project Schedule.

- Bid Facilities will be evaluated based on the reasonableness of their plan to be placed in service in time to qualify for federal clean electricity tax credits.
- Bid Facilities with an earlier proposed COD for the Project will be preferentially evaluated.
- Projects that already have permits and approvals in hand or have applied for major permits or approvals or have otherwise begun the regulatory filings will be preferentially evaluated.
- Proposals that have a more advanced interconnection status or that have progressed detailed interconnection studies will be preferentially evaluated.

Incremental Economic Benefits comprises 10% of bid evaluation.

Long-term Economic Benefits and Short-term Economic Benefits.

Claims are eligible as of the first CES RFP Launch Date: June 2, 2017.

Economic Benefit claims will be included in the Agreement to fulfill through Y3, to be verified by independent CPA.

- Economic Benefits for entire Contract Tenor will still be requested with the Step Two Bid Proposal.
- Agreement Section 6.10 Specific Disadvantaged Community Commitments.

Proposers are encouraged to contact Cleantech@esd.ny.gov re: how Empire State Development may be able to assist with economic development opportunities.

Disadvantaged Communities

- All Proposers will be required to identify impacts, including benefits and burdens, on proximate disadvantaged communities.
- Any economic benefits that can be demonstrated to benefit disadvantaged communities will receive preferential evaluation. Proposers are encouraged to explore benefits that can be achieved in each of the economic benefits categories.
 - Hiring of residents for short- and long-term jobs, including development, construction, and O&M.
 - Long-term payments, including PILOTs, utility bill credits, host community agreements, and other commitments.
 - Investments in local economic and workforce development, including targeted environmental justice programs, local scholarships, apprenticeship programs, and community-oriented projects.
- Longer-term commitments with tangible benefits will receive preferential evaluation.
- Resources available from [NYSERDA](#) and the [Climate Action Council](#) to support Proposers' development of economic benefits targeted for disadvantaged communities.

Questions should be addressed to resrfp26solicitation@nyserda.ny.gov or submitted via the solicitation website.

Mapping resources available at: nyserda.ny.gov/ny/disadvantaged-communities

Percentage-based disadvantaged community designation found in "DAC %" tab of [Reporting Data Collection Template](#)

See Appendix 4 to the RFP for full details.

Workforce Development Commitments

Proposers are strongly encouraged to coordinate with state or local organizations, including trade organizations, to explore the feasibility of partnering with local communities to employ residents for short- and long-term roles.

NYSERDA [On-the-Job Training \(OJT\) program](#) for clean technology businesses seeking to recruit new hires.

Browse [examples of previously supported training projects](#), including multiple partnerships that have trained workers from disadvantaged communities to prepare the clean energy workforce.

For questions, contact PONOJT@nyserda.ny.gov.

- [NYSERDA Clean Energy Training Services](#) is available to contractors seeking to provide targeted training and workforce development resources.

For questions, contact wfinfo@nyserda.ny.gov.

- [NYSERDA Internship & Pre-Apprenticeship Program](#)
- [DOL Apprenticeship Program](#)

For questions, contact the appropriate local apprenticeship representative or contact ATCO@labor.ny.gov

- [DOL Career Center Events & Recruitment program](#) supports regularly scheduled job fairs where employers can actively source workforce participants from disadvantaged communities.

Post Award Process and Standard Form Agreement

POST-AWARD PROCESS

- **Provisional Award:** Following the distribution of initial award notifications, the Proposer shall not distribute any press release or contact the media or other members of the public until after the awarded Agreement is executed by both parties and NYSERDA publicly discloses the award.
- **Contract Security:** The amount of required initial Contract Security will be established based on the product of the **Bid Capacity (MWac)** (or End of Useful Life Bid Capacity for Repowering Projects) and **\$20,000**.
 - Initial Contract Security due within thirty (30) days of the Award Notification Date.
- **Required Documents:** NYSERDA requires a series of documents detailed in Section 7.3 of RESRFP25-1 from the Seller prior to contract execution, such as the Contracting Form. Some have lead times, such as the Application for Authority, please coordinate accordingly.
- **Agreement Finalization:** NYSERDA will provide the Seller with the Conformed Draft of the Agreement after the provisional award. If the Seller fails to execute the Agreement on or prior to 120 calendar days following the date on which NYSERDA provides the Conformed Draft, the contract security will be forfeited to NYSERDA, the award will be rescinded, and the Bid Facility may not be eligible to participate in future NYSERDA Tier 1 solicitations.

See Section 8 of the RFP for full details.

NYSERDA recommends that Proposers consult with an attorney prior to submitting a Step Two Bid Proposal.

Key SFA Dates:

- **May 19:** Deadline for Proposers to propose material changes to the RESRFP26-1 Agreement through the Attachment L. SFA Comment Template as part of Step One Eligibility Application. (RESRFP26-1 Section 9.1)
- **July 9:** Deadline for NYSERDA to reissue a final version of the RESRFP26-1 Agreement.

SFA Sections of Note:

- **Section 4.07.** Changes in Law
- **Section 5.05.** Qualifying Governmental Support
- **Section 5.06.** Tariff Refund-Related Benefit
- **Section 15.** Commercial Operation Milestone Date
- **Section 18.17.** Material Adverse Change

Review RFP Section 9 for full details on updates and proposing changes to the Agreement.

NYSERDA highly recommends that Proposers closely review the following SFA sections of note for RESRFP26-1:

- **Commercial Operation Milestone Date (COMD) of November 30, 2030:** Incremental contract security payments are no longer required to extend the COMD; rather, payments are required to be posted to demonstrate project development progress. Such milestone payments can be replaced with evidence of having entered into an interconnection agreement with the NYISO/relevant interconnection authority and or with demonstration of full mobilization of construction of the Bid Facility. (Agreement Section 15)
- **Ability to Extend COMD:** NYSERDA may grant a request from Seller to extend the COMD past November 30, 2030 where Seller has demonstrated they have met the prescribed circumstances for such extension. (Agreement Section 15.02(e))
- **Changes in Law (CIL):** This Section of the Agreement has changed since RESRFP24-1; further details process for Sellers to claim, and NYSERDA to address, a CIL. (Agreement Section 4.07)

- **Qualifying Governmental Support:** A formula that adjusts the Bid Price in the event of any governmental financial support obtained through a new statute passed after the Bid Price submission date or Unexpected Governmental Grant Funding. (Agreement Section 5.05)
- **Tariff Refund-Related Benefit:** A formula that adjusts the Bid Price in the event of any Tariff Refund-Related Benefit obtained after the Bid Price submission date. The mechanism shall follow in the same manner as the Qualifying Governmental Support mechanism. (New to RESRFP26-1, Agreement Section 5.06)
- **Material Adverse Change (MAC):** Covers material adverse changes related to permitting, federal tariffs and/or federal tax policy. (Agreement Section 18.17)

Registering in NYGATS

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All NYGATS Tier 1 eligibility requests/updates requested to be submitted by May 7, 2026

Register with NYGATS by visiting: <https://nygats.ny.gov/>

New York Generation Attribute Tracking System (NYGATS)

[Sign in \(Existing Users\)](#) 

[Register \(New Users\)](#) 

NYGATS is an online certificate-tracking system that records information about electricity generated, imported, and consumed within New York State.

See Section 3.1 of the RFP for full details.

NYGATS Registration Steps

1

Register a NYGATS Account

If you already have a NYGATS account, then simply log in through your existing Account.

2

Create the new Provisional Project

Please be sure to select Register New Provisional Project. Enter required project information and then Submit the Provisional Project.

3

Apply for a Provisional Statement of Qualification or a Statement of Qualification

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- Any Bid Facilities that are not yet in operation with a **PSoQ that is over two years old are requested to re-submit a Tier 1 certification request by May 7th** to NYGATS for verification.
- Proposers still determining final Bid Capacity should apply for the largest potential capacity in their PSoQ, and reduce the project's Bid Capacity if needed when submitting Step Two Bid Proposal.
- Upgrade and Repower Bid Facilities are encouraged to register in NYGATS as soon as possible for NYSERDA to determine their Tier 1 eligibility percentage.
 - Repower Bid Facilities must have the result that 80% of the net book value per GAAP from the completed Repowering Bid Facility (not including property and intangible assets) is derived from capital expenditures made on or after October 15, 2020.
- Questions should be directed to **Isrops@nyserda.ny.gov**.

Other reference/training materials available at NYSERDA's NYGATS webpage: nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/NYGATS

- NYGATS Account Registration
- Registering Operational and Provisional Projects in NYGATS
- Applying for Tier 1 Certification for Operational and Provisional Projects in NYGATS
- Requesting a Transfer of a Provisional Project in NYGATS.

See Section 2.2 of the RFP for full details.

Next Steps & Key Dates

SOLICITATION KEY DATES

Schedule	
RFP Release Date	Friday, April 24, 2026
NYSERDA opens Step One Eligibility Application	Friday, April 24, 2026
Proposers' Webinar	Thursday, April 30, 2026, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Requested date to submit an application for a Resource Eligibility Determination (PSoQ/SoQ) in NYGATS	Thursday, May 7, 2026
Deadline for Step One Eligibility Application Submission (and to submit proposed material changes to the Agreement)	Tuesday, May 19, 2026 3:00 p.m.
NYSERDA responds with Notice of Qualifications to bid, opens Step Two Bid Proposal to eligible Proposers	Thursday, May 28, 2026
Deadline for Bid Fee Submission	Wednesday, June 24, 2026
Deadline for Step Two Bid Proposal Non-Price Submission	Thursday, June 25, 2026 by 3:00 p.m.
Deadline for Step Two Bid Proposal Price Submission	Thursday, July 30, 2026 by 3:00 p.m.
NYSERDA notifies Proposers receiving initial Awards	Expected August 2026

Questions?

Please send requests/inquiries to the email below and/or via the Q&A and Messages features of the solicitation website:
<https://pro.accionpower.com/published/nyserda-26res/summary>

Proposers and non-Proposers may send questions to
resrfp26solicitation@nyserda.ny.gov

All RFP information available at nyserda.ny.gov/ces/rfp