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Plympton/Kingston, MA





4,433.00KWDC/2,000.00KW AC (1P SAT) 13,500 Kwh DC-COUPLED ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM





### **Key Features and Benefits**

#### Land Use Efficiency:

- Dual Use Solar and Cranberry Sale Revenues
- DC Coupled Battery Additional Solar energy to store!

#### Designed for Farming Access:

- Modules installed 10LF high
- Foundation Locations planned for Equipment Turns

#### Crop Productivity & Water Conservation:

- Shade reduces temperature extremes benefiting heat sensitive crops
- Lesser Irrigation Needs!

#### Smart Program with Agri Adder

#### Collaboration with UMass

Yield, Compaction & Plant BioMass







# Design

- Ground Coverage Ratio
  - Different Pitch/Row-Row for Crop Yields
- Extensive Structural Design due to Organics and 10LF high Modules
- Routing Electrical Infrastructure
  - CAB Posts (minimal trenching!)
  - DC Combiner Locations (for access)
  - Avoiding Irrigation structures/ditches
  - Bog to Bog and then field to field!
- (2) separate AHJs





### Pile installation

- Specialized Equipment/predrill
- Routing Path/Matts (min. turns!)
- Refusal Strategy/design
- Protect Wines







## Rack/Module Install

- Safety at 10LF high Install
- Low productivity
- Construction Sequence







# Specialized crew training

- Matting!
  - Types/Color/specifications
  - Duration
- Route Planning
- Material Management
- Debris Management (working with food!)
- Working with a Farmers perspective!







# Path forward

An EPC's perspective











- Involve EPC firm as early as possible!
  - Permit Reviews
  - Farming operations and design/construction
  - Constant Stakeholder Communication
  - Sowing/Harvest Seasons & Schedule
  - Farmer Safety!







- More data the better!
  - Gaining insights of subsurface conditions!
  - Soil testing & compaction levels
  - Drain tiles/irrigation systems
  - Fertilizer spraying methods
- Equipment Selection
  - Racking System heavily dictates land usage
  - Type of electrical design
    - Trench V/S CAB
    - · Equipment in the field
  - Farmer Safety during operations
- Plant Operations/SOP
  - Develop with Farmer's input!





Thank you!

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