



Commission Action

October 1, 2020

PROJECT Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Photovoltaic Facility and Boiler Conversion 9000 Commo Road Cheltenham, MD	NCPC FILE NUMBER 8081
SUBMITTED BY United States Department of Homeland Security	NCPC MAP FILE NUMBER 3211.10(38.00)45192
REVIEW AUTHORITY Advisory per 40 U.S.C. § 8722(b)(1)	APPLICANT'S REQUEST Approval of final site development plans
	ACTION TAKEN Approved final site development plan with comments

The Commission:

Approves the final site development plans for the addition of a ground-mounted photovoltaic (PV) facility and associated work for the conversion of fuel oil boilers to natural gas at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Cheltenham, Maryland.

Notes the PV facility will accommodate up to 60-percent of the training center's total annual energy consumption and would reduce greenhouse gas contributions to support DHS reduction goals.

Notes the Comprehensive Plan includes policies to reduce fossil fuel-generated energy consumption as well as to prevent net tree loss for projects.

Notes the PV facility will be 12 acres, and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and FLETC worked with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to mitigate the necessary tree removal through replanting and establishment of 7.24 acres of forest conservation on other parts of the campus. This acreage will be added to another 22 acres currently protected at FLETC.

Reminds DHS that a master plan for the FLETC-Cheltenham campus should be submitted for the Commission's review as the last time the Commission reviewed the master plan was in 2002.

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