

Dear Secretary Garvin,

Thank you and the DNREC team for presenting at the public meeting on November 19, 2019. We encourage the dialogue that is occurring regarding the Fenwick Island State Park and the Ørsted transmission line landfall and hope it continues.

We respectfully request an extension of the public comment period regarding Fenwick Island State Park Project. Because this is a longer-term project, extending the public comment period would not interfere with the project's progression. Some do not know the proper channel to express their concerns. We believe that extending the comment period through the holidays would allow everyone a better opportunity to respond. Please keep the comment period open until January 15, 2020.

Because this project will have lasting environmental and economic impacts on all Delaware coastal communities, it is important that it be done correctly and in the best interest of the environment, our economic vitality and the quality of life we cherish. We all share a common interest in preservation of our natural assets.

As a follow-up to the public meeting we have some additional questions concerning the state park plans:

- How were the plans that were presented for the park developed?
- Who has the final decision regarding whether the project moves forward?
- If the project moves forward, when will local municipalities be afforded the opportunity to provide input to the park plans?
- Is \$18 million enough? How was this amount determined?
- Is there a timeline regarding the park planning process?
- Could some of the proceeds from Ørsted be used as a sustainability fund that communities could use for dredging or replenishment projects? This could be set up the same as the DNREC State Revolving loan program for water and wastewater projects.

Some have questioned if a transmission substation is the best use of 1.5 acres of environmentally sensitive land. Concerning the transmission line landfall:

- Will other transmission lines from other windfarm projects be making landfall at the State Park?
- How many megawatts are proposed and planned for the transmission site?
- If there are more transmission lines to come, will there be additional revenues?
- How will these revenue sources be utilized and who makes that decision?

It is our sincere hope that we can all work together to make the best decision for our community, our environment, our economy, and our way of life. We urge you to continue to include the coastal communities as you progress thoughtfully forward.