

November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Dear Neighbor,

We are thrilled to notify you regarding the Tri-County Solar Project, located at the Tri-County Landfill site. The community solar project will cover roughly 20 acres of closed landfill space, taking previously unusable land and creating a source of revenue for the community. This solar project will be part of the Illinois Shines community solar program, which promotes clean, locally produced electricity, delivered at a discount to local subscribers via their electricity bills.

Our company, Greenwood Sustainable Infrastructure (GSI), the parent company of Tri-County Solar LLC, has developed community arrays in eleven US states and several Canadian provinces. Six of these arrays are in Illinois. We are firm believers in the concept of community solar, and we believe you will see its advantages too.

The goal of Illinois Shines is to encourage private investment in relatively small solar arrays across Illinois that deliver clean, discounted electricity to nearby consumers. Through this program, it is possible to pass savings along to ratepayers, who stand to see their electric bills reduced by 15% to 20%. There are no costs to opt in, and no ongoing fees over the 35-year lifetime of the solar facility.

Over time, these savings really add up, injecting saved dollars into the community to pay for other needs. Plus, the solar facility also pays local taxes and provides donations to selected local organization partners with missions that intersect with our own, like education and recreation.

## **Project Benefits:**

- a. Repurpose a classified Superfund Landfill to generate green energy for local businesses and residents. This will allow the community to have economic benefits without having visible panels or taking up farmland.
- b. The project will include a pollinator-friendly habitat around the site with a mixture of plant species designed to maintain optimal conditions so bees, butterflies, and other pollinator species can thrive, encouraging biodiversity. In addition, the project has a conservation plan to protect endangered species during construction and provide habitat for them.
- c. This facility can provide enough electricity equivalent to powering up to 1,200 homes and businesses every year.
- d. Tri-County Solar LLC is actively looking for business partnerships in the neighborhood to promote sustainability efforts, scholarships, community beautification, and more!











Tri-County Solar LLC is pleased to invite you to a drop-in open house on the afternoon of Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, to learn more about the project and its site, and meet project representatives, who will be on hand to speak with you between 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM in the Oak Room of the Brewster Creek Lodge at 6N921 IL Route 25 in St. Charles.

Keeping the community in mind is of the utmost importance when developing a project within your neighborhood. Tri-County Solar LLC goes to great lengths to ensure that all voices are heard and accounted for. As such, we have been actively coordinating with the County, neighboring municipalities, and local businesses to maximize the local economy this project has to offer to South Elgin.

We hope to see you there!

Best Regards,

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P.S.: Attached to this letter, please find our Tri-County Solar LLC Project Information sheet. Please review and feel free to reach out with any questions you may have.

