

# Petition Submission to the Town Board

4/23/26  
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## Request for Denial of Proposed Lithium-Ion Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Proposed Location: 199 Trudeau Road Town of St. Armand, New York

To: Town of St. Armand Town Board  
1702 State Route 3  
Bloomingdale, NY 12913

Dear Members of the Town Board,

The attached petition contains signatures from residents, property owners, and community members requesting that the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand DENY approval of the proposed Lithium-Ion Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project proposed for 199 Trudeau Road.

Petition signers believe that the proposed project raises significant concerns regarding public safety, environmental protection, emergency response capacity in a rural community, compatibility with surrounding land uses, and preservation of the rural character of the Town of St. Armand.

Residents respectfully request that the Town Board carefully consider these concerns during its review of the proposed project and exercise its authority under local land-use regulations and the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) to protect the health, safety, welfare, and environmental integrity of the community by denying approval of this proposed project.

### Submitted By

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Date Submitted: March 18 2026

Attachment: Community Petition – Request to Deny Proposed BESS Project at 199 Trudeau Road, Town of St. Armand, NY.

Community Protection Petition Regarding Proposed Lithium-Ion Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)  
Proposed Project Location: 199 Trudeau Road

**Summary for Signers: We respectfully ask the Town Board to protect the safety, environmental resources, and rural character of St. Armand by denying approval of the proposed BESS project at 199 Trudeau Road.**

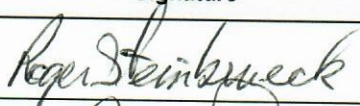
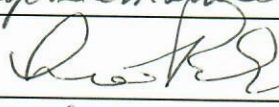
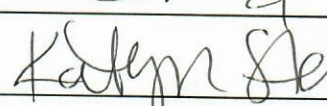
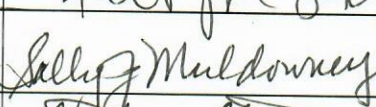
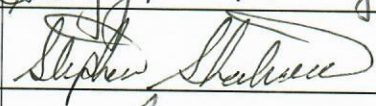
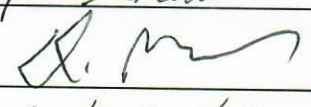
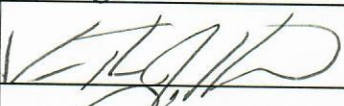
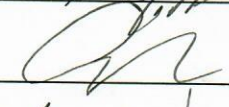
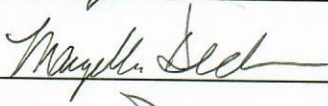
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| Printed Name      | Signature                                                                           | Street Address       | City / Town    | Email Address                        | Date    |
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| Stephen Shatraw   |    | 305 Lake Flower Ave  | SL             |                                      | 4/17/26 |
| DAVE BEAUMONT     |    | 67 BAKER ST          | SL             |                                      | 4/17/26 |
| Jay Niederhult    |    | 1511 STATE RT 3      | ST Armand      | arienedub10@yahoo.com<br>arienedub10 | 4-17-26 |
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Submitted/  
Received

4/23/26  
8:04 pm

To St Armand Town Board

April 23, 2026

I find the signs that have been placed in the area and the sentiment that no BESS facilities should be located anywhere in the Adirondack Park disturbing. Here is why. We need affordable, reliable electricity to run our homes and buildings. As we gradually transition from fossil fuels our electricity needs will grow. How many homes here in the North Country have aging oil and gas heating systems? Imagine wanting to replace that system with an electric energy efficient heat pump but not having a reliable affordable electric supply to do so and therefore being stuck with continued use of expensive delivered fuels. We are all seeing the volatility of gas and oil prices in real time right now.

Which is safer fire wise? It seems that not having access to a reliable affordable source of electricity leading to continued reliance on oil and propane to heat our homes and buildings would increase the fire risk throughout the Adirondacks.

I have been reading about BESS facilities and watching webinars on the subject, doing my best to inform myself including one this afternoon hosted by Cate Rogers, the Deputy Town Supervisor of the Town of East Hampton. Her town approved without opposition a BESS facility that they are currently benefitting from.

Then I learned this afternoon that the Town of St Armand is planning to ban the Carson Power facility. I would like to know what research has been done to reach the conclusion to ban this facility. What base of knowledge did the residents who signed the petition against this facility use? It was stated when the moratorium was put in place that it was not to take a stand against the facility but to give time to study and gather information. What has been done to study and provide public information before reaching a conclusion that affects all of us not only in St. Armand but surrounding communities.

Has any effort been made to look into the possible benefits of this facility? Has any effort been made to hear from experts about concerns that have been raised including noise and fires. To hear from experts on what the true risk is, what can be done to alleviate any sound issues? I thought that was the purpose of the moratorium.

Shouldn't decisions the town makes be based on facts? Shouldn't even those who have signed a petition against this have the opportunity to hear from experts? What about the town's own firefighters?

What is the hurry to ban this facility? Why has this resolution been sent to a lawyer before Carson Power has even been given a chance to do their public information session next week? There is already a moratorium in place. Please stop this process to ban and take the time to study and consider the facts as you stated that you would.

Sincerely,  
Diana Strablow  
Saranac Lake, NY