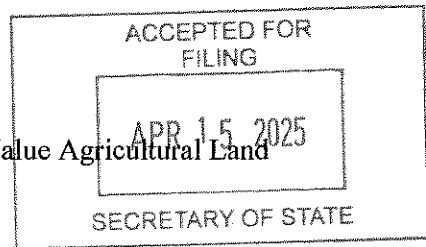


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TO: Secretary of State  
ATTN: Administrative Procedure Officer,  
State House Station 101, Augusta, Mai



1. Agency: Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry
2. Agency umbrella and unit number: 01-001  
(2 digit umbrella # and 3 digit unit #)
3. Title of rule: Permitting of Solar Energy Developments on High-Value Agricultural Land
4. Chapter number assigned to the rule: 575
5. Date(s)/method(s) of notice: 7/31/24 & 11/27/2024 SOS Public Notice in Newspapers
6. Date(s)/place(s) of hearing(s): 8/19/24, 9AM-11AM, Deering Building, Rm. 101 – 90 Blossom Lane, Augusta, ME and remotely via Microsoft Teams
7. Type: ☒ new rule ☐ partial amendment(s) of existing rule  
☐ suspension of existing rule ☐ repeal of rule ☐ emergency rule  
☐ repeal and replace: complete replacement of existing chapter, with former version simultaneously repealed.
8. Name/phone of agency contact person: Shannon Ayotte, 207-287-5976
9. If a major substantive rule under Title 5, c. 375, sub-CII-A, check one of the following

EFFECTIVE DATE:

- ☐ Provisional adoption (prior to Legislative review) ☐ Final adoption  
☐ emergency adoption of major-substantive rule

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10. Certification Statement: I, Amanda E. Beal hereby certify that the attached is a true copy of the rule(s) described above and lawfully adopted by

Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry on 4/14/25  
(name of agency) (date)

I further certify that all portions of this rule are adopted in compliance with the requirements of the Maine Administrative Procedure Act.

Signature: Amanda E. Beal  
(original signature, personally signed by the head of agency)

Printed name & title: Amanda E. Beal, Commissioner

11. Approved as to form and legality by the Attorney General on 4/15/25

Signature [Signature]  
(original signature, personally signed by an Assistant Attorney General)

Printed Name: Carey Gustanski, Assistant Attorney General  
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