

(development policy), 11-12 (flooding and erosion hazards policies), 21-22 (recreation policies), 27 (energy policy), 33, (water and air resources policies), and 44 (wetlands policy), listed in Table 3-21 below. All of the State's policies are derived from existing laws and regulations administered by various State agencies. The NYSDEC administers many of the programs found in the State's policies (e.g., the Department operates regulatory programs, which provide protection to tidal and freshwater wetlands [Policy 44], restrict development and other activities in flood and erosion hazard areas [policies 11-12], and protect air and water resources [policies 33]). Other agencies, such as the Public Service Commission and the State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment administer programs that regulate the siting of energy transmission facilities and regulate the location of electric power plants.

Table 3-21
Consistency with New York State Coastal Policies¹

No.	Policy	Consistency Measures
2	Facilitate the siting of water-dependent uses and facilities on or adjacent to coastal waters	The 0.41-mile segment of the overhead transmission line and Interconnection Substation would not preempt the reasonably foreseeable development of water dependent uses.
11	Buildings and other structures will be sited in the coastal area so as to minimize damage to property and the endangering of human lives caused by flooding and erosion	The 0.41-mile segment of the overhead transmission line and Interconnection Substation is not located in coastal erosion hazard areas, coastal high hazard areas, or floodways.
12	Activities or development in the coastal area will be undertaken so as to minimize damage to natural resources and property from flooding and erosion by protecting natural protective features including beaches, dunes, barrier islands, and bluffs.	The 0.41-mile segment of the overhead transmission line and Interconnection Substation will not be located on beaches, dunes, barrier islands, or bluffs and will not result in disturbance of these areas.
21	Water-dependent and water-enhanced recreation will be encouraged and facilitated, and will be given priority over non-water-related uses along the coast.	The 0.41-mile segment of the overhead transmission line and Interconnection Substation will not result in a barrier to the recreational use of a major portion of a community's shore.
22	Development, when located adjacent to the shore, will provide for water-related recreation, whenever such use is compatible with reasonably anticipated demand for such activities, and is compatible with the primary purpose of the development.	Water-related recreation use is not compatible with the development, and a reasonable demand for public use is not foreseen.
27	Decisions on the siting and construction of major energy facilities in the coastal area will be based on public energy needs, compatibility of such facilities with the environment, and the facility's need for a shoreline location.	Purpose and need is discussed in Section 2.3 of the SDEIS. Sections 3.1 through 3.13 discuss compatibility with the environment.
33	Best management practices will be used to ensure the control of stormwater runoff and combined sewer overflows draining into coastal waters.	The activity will be performed in accordance with applicable permit conditions, including the SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges during Construction.
44	Preserve and protect tidal and freshwater wetlands and preserve the benefits derived from these areas.	The 0.41-mile segment of the overhead transmission line and Interconnection Substation will not affect tidal or freshwater wetlands.

¹ Source: NYS DOS Coastal Management Program. 2002. State Coastal Policies. Accessed December 11, 2008 http://nyswaterfronts.com/downloads/pdfs/State_Coastal_Policies.pdf.