

# Battery Energy Storage Systems: Key Considerations for Local Governments



NYSERDA is pleased to host a series of webinars intended to equip local governments across New York State – including municipal board members, first responders, code enforcement officers, and other community stakeholders – with the knowledge and resources required to ensure responsible battery energy storage system development.

This webinar series, featuring presentations from NYSERDA staff as well as external subject matter experts, will cover a range of key topics related to battery energy storage systems which are particularly important for communities and local governments.

**Events in this series will be held biweekly on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. ET.**

**Register for each session of interest using the registration links.**

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## Battery Energy Storage Systems 101

**Date: Wednesday, May 5, 2021**

*Featured Speakers: Dr. Stanley Whittingham, 2019 Nobel Laureate for Chemistry; Distinguished Professor of Chemistry, SUNY Binghamton*

Gain an introduction to key concepts and technologies associated with battery energy storage systems, as well as an overview of relevant New York State (NYS) goals, policies and programs.

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## Fire Safety

**Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2021**

*Featured Speakers: NYS Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC), Energy Safety Response Group (ESRG)*

Learn about key fire safety considerations for battery energy storage systems, including a discussion of best practices for first responders, as well as a review of important regulations found in the 2020 NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code.

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## Zoning and Permitting

**Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2021**

*Featured Speakers: NYSERDA Clean Energy Siting Team*

Dive into the valuable resources available to local governments in NYSERDA's Battery Energy Storage System Guidebook. These tools are designed to assist municipalities in implementing zoning, permitting, and inspection processes for battery energy storage installations.

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## Decommissioning and End-of-Life Considerations

**Date: Wednesday, June 16, 2021**

*Featured Speakers: DNV and Li-Cycle*

Explore best practices for the treatment of battery energy storage systems at the end of their useful life – including system recycling and disposal – as well as an introduction to decommissioning plans for energy storage installations.

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## Taxation and Assessments

**Date: Wednesday, June 30, 2021**

*Featured Speaker: Hodgson Russ, LLP*

Learn about New York State and local tax treatment of battery energy storage systems, including information regarding assessments and payments-in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) agreements.

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