



# Planting Natives on Solar Farms Workshop

*This workshop is designed to bring solar farm developers together with experts in the field of native plantings. Solar developers and landscaping firms will leave this session equipped with the know-how to be able to successfully design, plant and maintain a native plant community on their solar farm. This session will help developers in the preparation of landscape plant lists and monitoring and maintenance plans required by local permitting authorities.*

**7:15am—Noon, Thursday, April 4**  
**Luecht Conference Center, Building B**  
**McHenry County College**  
**8900 US-14, Crystal Lake, Illinois**

## **Keynote— Experiences Learned using Native Pollinator-Friendly Habitat Under Solar**

What we've learned in the past five years of the solar surge in the US, and the solar-with-native plant studies currently underway — Colleen Hollinger, Prairie Restoration, Inc, Minnesota

## **And exactly what you need to know from—**

- Vince Mosca, Hey & Associates on **Preparing Effective Native Planting Specifications and RFPs for Solar Farms**
- Jack Pizzo, The Pizzo Group on **Seed and Plant Selection, Site Preparation and Installation Recommendations for Illinois Solar Farms**
- Bill Stoll, Applied Ecological Services on **Monitoring & Management Recommendations for Illinois Solar Farms**
- Jim Kleinwachter, The Conservation Foundation on **Inspiration from Turf to Prairie Conversions in Illinois**



**Who should attend:** Solar farm developers and owners, landscaping firms, government personnel overseeing solar farm installations, prairie and pollinator enthusiasts, solar energy advocates, anyone who wants to learn how to successfully plant Midwest prairie.

**How:** Register by March 28 at <https://goo.gl/forms/cCsgj5aNU2urmW383>

Breakfast is available as part of registration. Solar developers and landscaping firms are invited to host a display table as part of their registration.

**Questions:** Call Environmental Defenders at 815.338.0393

