

Prudent Residents Opposed to Electric Cable Transmission (PROTECT) Records

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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives

Title: Prudent Residents Opposed to Electric Cable Transmission

(PROTECT) Records

ID: apap299

Date [inclusive]: 1980-2007

Physical Description: 18 cubic ft.

Physical Location: The materials are located onsite in the department.

Language of the

Material:

English.

Mixed Materials

[Collection]:

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Abstract: P.R.O.T.E.C.T. (Prudent Residents Opposed to Electric Cable

Transmission) initially formed in 1982 to oppose construction of a high voltage power line originating from Marcy, New York in Oneida

County and running down to the New York City area.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Note

P.R.O.T.E.C.T. (Prudent Residents Opposed to Electric Cable Transmission) initially formed in 1982 to oppose construction of a high voltage power line originating from Marcy, New York in Oneida County and running down to the New York City area. A volunteer organization, P.R.O.T.E.C.T. was organized into chapters, one for each county affected by the power line construction, and led by chairperson Doris Delaney of Orange County who donated the collection. The records document P.R.O.T.E.C.T.s efforts to mobilize and educate concerned citizens, and its legal actions against the Public Service Commission of the State of New York and the Power Authority of the State of New

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York. The papers include correspondence, newsletters, news articles, scientific papers and reports, press releases, hearing transcripts, and other legal files. For the next two decades P.R.O.T.E.C.T. remained an active advocacy organization and the subject files and background materials in the collection demonstrate its broader interests in the environmental movement. Files include materials related human exposure to electromagnetic fields, efforts to halt Hydro-Quebecs building of dams in the James Bay region of Quebec the constructions potential impact on the environment and the native people of the area, and forestry.

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Scope and Content

The Prudent Residents Opposed to Electric Cable Transmission records are arranged into five series: 1. The Marcy South Transmission Line 2. James Bay 3. General Activism 4. Administrative Records and 5. Publications. The materials in this collection document efforts of this upstate New York environmental organization to stop the high voltage power line Marcy South Transmission Line in the 1980s by the Power Authority of New York State and Hydro-Quel#bec's Great Whale (Grande Baleine) River/James Bay II development efforts in the early 1990s. The types of materials in the collection includes press releases, manuscripts and writings, fliers for rallies and events, conference materials, U.S. and Canadian newspaper clippings, statements made at public hearings, correspondence and subject files.

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Arrangement

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Access

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Acquisition Information

All items in this collection were transferred to the University Libraries, M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives by Doris Delaney in 2007, 2010, and 2012.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Delaney, Doris
- Conservation and the Environment
- Social Activists and Public Advocates
- James Bay Region--Environmental conditions.
- Cree Indians--James Bay Region--Social life and customs
- Lobbying--New York (State)

Collection Inventory

The Marcy South Transmission Line

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James Bay

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