

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF SHUTESBURY:

The following bylaws adopted at the September 2025 Special Town Meeting have been approved by the Attorney General’s Office.

Article 10. Moratorium and Prohibition on Data Centers ([AGO letter Jan 2026](#))

“3.1-1 Use Table

Amend Use table by Adding to Industrial Uses Category

INDUSTRIAL	RR	FC	TC	LW
Data Centers	N	N	N	N

13.2 Definitions

Amend Definitions by adding the following:

Data Center: A facility composed of networked computers, storage systems, and computing resources that is used to process, store, and disseminate large amounts of data, and that such a facility is either a principle use or is used in a standalone capacity.

8.13: Moratorium on Data Centers

The Town of Shutesbury shall enact a moratorium on the application for or building of new data centers, as defined in Section 13.2 of the Shutesbury Bylaw. The purpose of the moratorium is to provide the Shutesbury Planning Board with sufficient time to research and understand this complex use so that reasonable regulation can be developed for consideration at spring 2026 Shutesbury Town Meeting. The moratorium will be in effect starting on September 30, 2025 upon adoption at Special Town Meeting. The moratorium will be in place until June 20, 2026.”

Article 13. Date of Annual Town Meeting Bylaw Amendment ([AGO letter Nov 10, 2025](#))

“The Annual Town Meeting will be held on the second Saturday in May.”