



COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA) AND NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) TO CERTIFY AN
INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (IS/MND)

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, County Staff prepared an IS/MND that identifies and evaluates the environmental impacts of the below-named project.

Project Title: Sunrise Road Solar Project

Project No.: PROJ-2023-00169

Project Location: Generally located at Twenty Mule Team Road along the western boundary of San Bernardino County

Assessor Parcel Number(s): 0498-111-04, 0498-111-05 (two parcels)

Project Description: RPCA Solar 13, LLC (Applicant) proposes to construct and operate a single-axis tracker ground-mounted photovoltaic (PV) community solar facility and battery energy storage system (BESS) with approximately 14 megawatts of alternating current (MWac) in capacity. The Project would consist of the following components: solar modules, BESS, underground electrical conductors, Balance of System Equipment, access roads, and fencing. The Project would be interconnected to an electrical distribution system owned by Southern California Edison (SCE) located adjacent to the southern Project Site boundary. Project construction is anticipated to be completed over a period of approximately nine months beginning as early as September 2025 and ending as early as May 2026. Project construction activities generally fall into seven main categories: (1) access road construction, (2) demolition, (3) site preparation (vegetation clearing), (4) grading, (5) paving, (6) system installation, and (7) testing, commissioning, and cleanup. The Project would operate year-round. The Project would be unmanned, and no employees would report to the Project Site daily. At the end of the Project's operational term, which is expected to be 35 years, the Applicant may determine that the Project should be decommissioned and deconstructed. The Applicant will work with the County to ensure decommissioning complies with all applicable local, State, and federal requirements and best management practices (BMPs).

Environmental Review and Public Comment:

The document meets the State requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. Interested parties can view the Initial Study/Environmental Checklist and supporting documentation online at: <https://lus.sbcounty.gov/planning-home/environmental/desert-region/> and the following offices:

High Desert Government Center
Land Use Services – Planning Division
15900 Smoke Tree Street, Suite 131
Hesperia, CA 92345

San Bernardino Government Center
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385 N. Arrowhead Avenue, 1st Floor
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The comment period on the IS/MND begins on **November 4, 2024**, and closes on **December 3, 2024**.

Please submit comments to David.Mack@WeAreHarris.com or Delanie.Garlick@WeAreHarris.com or to:

Harris & Associates (c/o David Mack or Delanie Garlick)
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