TULARE COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION GLOVER SOLAR PROJECT (PSP 19-003)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tulare County intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Glover Solar Project, Special Use Permit PSP 19-003. The MND has been approved for public review by the Tulare County Environmental Assessment Officer. Copies are available for review and comment at the Resource Management Agency, Permit Center, 5961 South Mooney Blvd, Visalia, California 93277-9394. Comments and recommendations on the adequacy of the environmental document may be filed at the aforementioned address during the public review period established for the project.

- 1. PROJECT: Glover Solar, Special Use Permit PSP 19-003
- 2. APPLICANT/AGENT: Glover Solar, LLC 5601 E. Slauson Ave., Suite 101 Commerce, CA 90040
- 3. LOCATION: The Project site is located approximately six (6) miles southeast of the City of Tulare and approximately three and a half (3.5) miles south of State Route (Highway) 137, abutting Road 164 to the west and Avenue 200 to the south. It lines within Section 30, Township 20 South, Range 26 East, MDB&M entirely within APN 198-060-011. The Project is located in the USGS 7.5 Minute Cairns Corner Quadrangle.
- 4. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project is located on a ±150-acre site and consists of a solar facility that would provide approximately 19.95 megawatt (MW) of electricity (renewable energy). Project components include: approximately 76,250 solar (photo-voltaic, PV) modules mounted on single access trackers; associated motors, torque tubes, and drivelines for the single-axis tracking system; eight (8) inverter stations; various wiring, underground cables, combiner boxes, inverters, and transformers; a new, on-site substation/switchyard tying into a new mile-long 6-kV transmission interconnection line with the nearby Southern California Edison substation; access and internal roads; security fencing; and motion activated lighting. The Project would be constructed in three (3) stages: Phase 1, Site Preparation; Phase 2, Photovoltaic Panel System; and Phase 3, Inverters, Transformers, Substation, Electrical Collector System, and Interconnection. Following its proposed 35-year life, the facility would be decommissioned and the site reclaimed as required by the County. The Project is estimated to take approximately eight (8) months to complete, excluding 2-3 weeks of initial site grading.
- 5. ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT: The MND can be viewed at the Resource Management Agency office located at the address above; at the Visalia (Main Branch) Library located at 200 W. Oak Ave., Visalia, CA 93291; at the Tulare Public Library located at 475 N. M St., Tulare, CA 93274; or on the County web site at: https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/index.cfm/projects/planning-projects/applicant-projects/glover-

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6. **REVIEW PERIOD:** Wednesday, May 29, 2019 – Friday, June 28, 2019, at 5:00 p.m.

7. CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION: Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner at (559) 624-7121 or <u>HGuerra@co.tulare.ca.us</u>. Para Español llame Jose Saenz (559) 624-7102.

The MND has a review period of **30 days**, starting on Wednesday, **May 29, 2019**, and ending on Friday, **June 28, 2019**, which has been approved by the State of California, Office of Planning and Research. Any written comments on the MND should be sent to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency at the address noted above, to the attention of: Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner.

After the close of the public comment review period on the MND established by this notice, this matter will be set for public hearing before the Tulare County Planning Commission. Notice of the date, time and place for such public hearing will be published and/or mailed as provided by law.

Please take notice that - pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 21177, Government Code Section 65009, and other applicable law - if you challenge the proposed action described above in court, then you may be limited to raising only those issues or objections you or someone else raised during the public comment period or the public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Tulare County Resource Management Agency within the review period, or to the Planning Commission during the public hearing.

REED SCHENKE, P.E., ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OFFICER