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SCH # _____

Project Title: BigBeau Solar Project by BigBeau Solar, LLC/EDF Renewables Development, Inc.

Lead Agency: Kern County Planning Department

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City: Bakersfield

Zip: 93301-2323

County: Kern

Project Location: County: Kern

City/Nearest Community: Rosamond, Mojave

Cross Streets: West on Rosamond Boulevard, north on 140th Street West, and east on either Avenue of the Stars

Zip Code: 93560

Lat. / Long.: 34° 54' 16" N / 118° 23' 8" W

Total Acres: 2,290

Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple

Section: Multiple

Twp.: Multiple

Range: Multiple

Base: SBB&M

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR-14 – 12 miles east

Waterways: Los Angeles Aqueduct

Airports: N/A

Railways: N/A

Schools: N/A

Document Type:

CEQA: ☒ NOP
☐ Early Cons
☐ Neg Dec
☐ Mit Neg Dec

☐ Draft EIR
☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR
(Prior SCH No.) _____
Other _____

NEPA: ☐ NOI
☐ EA
☐ Draft EIS
☐ FONSI

Other: ☐ Joint Document
☒ Final Document
☐ Other

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Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update
☒ General Plan Amendment
☐ General Plan Element
☐ Community Plan

☒ Specific Plan
☐ Master Plan
☐ Planned Unit Development
☐ Site Plan

☒ Rezone
☐ Prezone
☒ Use Permit
☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)

☐ Annexation
☐ Redevelopment
☐ Coastal Permit
☒ Other _____

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units _____ Acres _____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____
☐ Educational _____
☐ Recreational _____

☐ Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Transportation: Type _____
☐ Mining: Mineral _____
☒ Power: Type Solar PV MW 128 MW
☐ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
☐ Other: _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual
☐ Agricultural Land
☒ Air Quality
☒ Archeological/Historical
☒ Biological Resources
☐ Coastal Zone
☒ Drainage/Absorption
☐ Economic/Jobs
☐ Other _____
☐ Fiscal
☒ Flood Plain/Flooding
☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard
☒ Geologic/Seismic
☒ Minerals
☒ Noise
☐ Population/Housing Balance
☒ Public Services/Facilities

☐ Recreation/Parks
☐ Schools/Universities
☐ Septic Systems
☐ Sewer Capacity
☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading
☐ Solid Waste
☒ Toxic/Hazardous
☒ Traffic/Circulation

☒ Vegetation
☒ Water Quality
☒ Water Supply/Groundwater
☒ Wetland/Riparian
☐ Wildlife
☐ Growth Inducing
☐ Land Use
☒ Cumulative Effects

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Scattered Single-family homes. Zoning: A (Exclusive Agriculture); A FP (A, Floodplain Combining); A FPS (A, Floodplain Secondary); A WE (A, Wind Energy) E-20 RS FPS (Estate 20 acres, Residential Suburban, Floodplain Secondary); PL RS FPS (Platted Lands, Residential Suburban, Floodplain Secondary); Kern County General Plan: 4.1 (Specific Plan – Willow Springs); 8.3 (Extensive Ag, 20 acre min); 8.5 (Resource Management, Minimum 20 Acre Size); 8.3 /2.5 (Flood Hazard); 8.5/2.5 (Flood Hazard); Willow Springs Specific Plan: 5.7 (Minimum 5 Gross Acres/Unit); 5.75 (Minimum 10 Gross Acres/Unit); 5.8 (Minimum 20 Gross Acres/Unit)

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary) BigBeau Solar, LLC by EDF Renewables (project proponent), is a proposed photovoltaic electrical generating facility with capacity to generate up to 128 megawatt hours (MW) of renewable electrical energy and store up to 60 MW energy in a Battery Storage System (BESS). The proposed project is situated on approximately 2,290 acres of privately owned land and 160 acres of land owned by the California State Lands Commission. Implementation of the project as proposed would include: (a) two changes in zone classification from the existing zone district PLS RS FPS (Platted Lands-Residential Suburban Combining-Floodplain Secondary Combining) to A FPS (Exclusive Agriculture) on 66 acres of the project site within zoning Map 215, for portions of the project site within zoning Map 232 from the existing zone district: E (10) RS FPS (Estate) to A FPS on 459.4 acres, E (10) RS GH FPS (Geological Hazard Combining) to A GH FPS on 2.7, E (10) RS MH FPS (Mobilehome Combining) to A FPS on 10.1 acres, E (2 ½) RS FPS to A FPS on 110.9 acres, E (20) RS FPS to A FPS on 633.3 acres, E (20) RS GH FPS to A GH FPS on 9.6 acres, E (5) RS FPS to A FPS on 80.6 acres; (b) Conditional Use Permits to allow for the construction and operation of 128 MW photovoltaic electrical generating facility with up to 60 MW of BESS (Section 19.12.030.G) in an A District; (c) Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of batch plant (19.12.030.G) in an A District; (d) a Conditional Use Permit for a construction microwave tower (19.12.030.F) in the A zone district; (e) Amendment to the Circulation Element of the Kern

County General Plan to remove sections and midsection line road reservations, as follow: the east half of the Section line between Section 27, T10N, R14W and Section 34, T10N, R14W; the Section line between Section 34, T10N, R14W and Section 3, T9N, R14W; the south half of the Section line between Section 34, T10N, R14W and Section 35, T10N, R14W; the Section line between Section 35, T10N, R14W and Section 2, T9N, R14W; the south half of the north-south mid-section line Section 35, T10N, R14W; (f) Amendment to the Willow Spring Specific Plan to remove sections and midsection line road reservations, as follow: the Section line between Section 4, T9N, R14W and Section 3, T9N, R14W; the north half of the Section line between Section 9, T9N, R14W and Section 10, T9N and R14W; the north half of the north half of the north-south mid-section line of Section 3, T9N, R14W; the north half of the of the north-south mid-section line of Section 10, T9N, R14W; the north half of the north half of the Section line between Section 3, T9N, R14W and Section 2, T9N, R14W; the north half of the north-south mid-section line of Section 2, T9N, R14W (g) vacation of existing public access easements on the project site. The project would be supported by a 220-kV overhead transmission corridor. The project's permanent facilities would include, PV panels, BESS, fencing, a meteorological station, microwave/communication tower, service roads, a power collection system, communication cables, overhead and underground transmission lines, electrical switchyards, project substations, and operations and maintenance facilities.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
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Starting Date July 30, 2019 Ending Date August 30, 2019

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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.

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