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SCH #

Project Title: Deer Creek Solar Project 1

Lead Agency: Tulare County Resource Management Agency

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City: Visalia Zip: 93277-9394

County: Tulare County

Project Location: County: Tulare City/Nearest Community: Terra Bella

Cross Streets: Road 224 / Ave. 96 (E. Terra Bella Ave.) Zip Code: N/A

Lat./Long: 35° 57' 56" N / 119° 03' 39.80" W Total Acres: 378

Assessor's Parcel No: 302-230-1-013 & 302-460-003 Section: 33 Township 22S Range 27E MDB&M

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy: SH 65 Airports: N/A

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Railways: N/A Waterways: Deer Creek Ditch and others to the east

Schools:

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- CEQA: NOP, Early Cons, Neg Dec, Mit Neg Dec, Draft EIR, Supplement/Subsequent EIR, Draft EIS, Other; NEPA: NOI, EA, Other, FONSI; Other: Joint Document, Final Document

Local Action Type:

- General Plan Update, Specific Plan, Rezone, Annexation, General Plan Amendment, Master Plan, Prezone, Redevelopment, General Plan Element, Planned Unit Dev., Use Permit, Coastal Permit, Community Plan, Site Plan, Land Division (Sub.), Other: Photovoltaic energy generation facility

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, MW, Waste Treatment: Type, MGD, Hazardous Waste: Type, Other: Photovoltaic energy generation facility

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

- Aesthetic/Visual, Agricultural Land, Air Quality, Archaeological/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:

AE 10 (Exclusive Agriculture 10 Acre Minimum) and AE 40 (Exclusive Agriculture 40 Acre Minimum).

Project Description:

The proposed Project consists of the construction and operation of a 378-acre, approximately 70 mega-watt (MW) ac photovoltaic (PV) energy generation facility, battery energy storage system and associated infrastructure (e.g., access roads, perimeter fencing, weather station, etc.) on the site described above.

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State Review Began: 8 - 2 - 2019

SCH COMPLIANCE 9 - 3 - 2019

Project Sent to the following State Agencies

- Resources: Boating & Waterways, Central Valley Flood Prot., Coastal Comm, Colorado Rvr Bd, Conservation, CDFW # 4, Cal Fire, Historic Preservation, Parks & Rec, Bay Cons & Dev Comm, DWR; Cal EPA: ARB: Airport & Freight, ARB: Transportation Projects, ARB: Major Industrial/Energy Resources, Recycl. & Recovery, SWRCB: Div. of Drinking Water, SWRCB: Div. Drinking Wtr #, SWRCB: Div. Financial Assist., SWRCB: Wtr Quality, SWRCB: Wtr Rights, Reg. WQCB # 5F, Toxic Sub Ctrl-CTC; Yth/Adlt Corrections: Corrections; Independent Comm: Delta Protection Comm, Delta Stewardship Council, Energy Commission, NAHC, Public Utilities Comm, Santa Monica Bay Restoration, State Lands Comm, Tahoe Rgl Plan Agency, Conservancy; CalSTA: Aeronautics, CHP, Caltrans # 6, Trans Planning; Other: Education, Food & Agriculture, HCD, OES; State/Consumer Svcs: General Services; Other:

Please note State Clearinghouse Number (SCH#) on all Comments

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Please forward late comments directly to the Lead Agency

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Boating & Waterways, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Public School Construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Emergency Management Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # 6 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Division of Aeronautics | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regional WQCB # 5 (attn: Doug Patteson) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans Planning | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resources Agency |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Valley Flood Protection Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cochella Valley Mtns. Conservancy | <input type="checkbox"/> S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers and Mtns Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado River Board Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River Conservancy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corrections, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> State Lands Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delta Protection Commission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Clean Water Grants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of (Public School Construction) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region #4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forestry & Fire Protection, Department of | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Services, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: California Environmental Protection Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service |
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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date: August 2, 2019

Ending Date: September 2, 2019

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative:  Date: 8/1/19
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 Reed Schenke, RMA Director
 Environmental Assessment Officer

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