

Notice of Determination

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2:23 pm

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2017091038

Project Title: Conditional Use Permit No. 3562, 3563, and 3564 (Fifth Standard Solar Project)

Project Applicant RWE Solar Development, LLC

Project Location (include county): The subject parcel is located on the west side of State Route 269 (Lassen Avenue), between Gale Avenue and Jayne Avenue, approximately one and a half-miles south of the City of Huron and approximately two (2) miles east of Interstate 5 (1-5). In the County of Fresno.

Project Description: Unclassified Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Applications No. 3562, 3563, and 3564 and associated Environmental Impact Report No. 7257. Which allows the construction, operation, maintenance, and ultimate decommissioning of a 150- megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) generation facility, an up to 20-MW solar PV generation facility, and an up to 100-MW energy storage facility and associated infrastructure. The proposed project is located on twelve contiguous parcels, totaling approximately 1,600 acres in unincorporated Fresno County. A new generation-tie (gen-tie) line would be constructed to connect the solar and storage components of the proposed project to Pacific Gas and Electric's (PG&E's) adjacent Gates Substation (point of interconnect). The anticipated lifetime of the proposed project would be 35 years and would be decommissioned once operations of the facility cease.

This is to advise that the Westlands Water District has approved the above (

☐ Lead Agency or ☒ Responsible Agency)

described project on March 15, 2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project.

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☒ was ☐ was not] adopted for this project. was
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☒ was ☐ not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

3130 N. Fresno St. Fresno, CA 93703

Signature (Public Agency): Russ Freeman Title: Deputy General Manager of Resources

Date: 3/17/2022 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083, Public Resources Code.
Reference Section 21000-21174, Public Resources Code.

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