



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife
2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:
24-02/10/2026-0024

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

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LEAD AGENCY MERCED COUNTY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 02/10/2026
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING MERCED COUNTY	DOCUMENT NUMBER 2026-EIR-024	

PROJECT TITLE
LAS CAMAS SOLAR PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME EDPR CA SOLAR PARK III LLC	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (209) 385-7654
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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 2222 M STREET	CITY MERCED	STATE CA	ZIP CODE 95340
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PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency School District Other Special District State Agency Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,227.50 \$ _____

Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 3,043.75 \$ _____

Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,437.25 \$ _____

Exempt from fee

Notice of Exemption (attach)

CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) \$ 850.00 \$ _____

County documentary handling fee \$ 50.00 \$ _____ 50.00

Other \$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash Credit Check Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ _____ 50.00

SIGNATURE X <i>Lea Holguin</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Lea Holguin Deputy Clerk
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Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:

Office of Planning and Research
U.S. Mail: P.O. Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044
Street Address: 1400 Tenth St., Rm 113
Sacramento, CA 95814

County Clerk
County of: Merced
Address: 2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95430

From:

Public Agency: Merced County
Address: 2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340
Contact: Ana Browning, Planner I
Phone: (209) 385-7654 ext. 4422
Email: Ana.Browning@countyofmerced.com
Lead Agency (if different from above):
Address:
Contact:
Phone:

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): 2021080196
Project Title: Las Camas Solar Project
Project Applicant: EDPR CA Solar Park III LLC
Project Location (include county): See attachment
Project Description: See attachment

2026-EIR-024

FILED

February 10, 2026

MATT H. MAY
COUNTY CLERK

By [Signature]
Deputy Clerk

This is to advise that the County of Merced as the Lead Agency has approved the above
(Lead Agency or Responsible Agency)

described project on 02/10/2026 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
(date) described project.

- 1. The project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report and addendum have been prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for this project.
6. Findings were 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:

The County of Merced Community & Economic Development Dept, 2222 M Street, 2nd Floor, Merced, CA 95340, Monday through Friday, between 8:30AM to 4:30PM

Signature (Public Agency): Ana Browning Title: Planner I

Date: 02/10/2026 Date Received for filing at OPR:

Las Camas Solar Project (SCH # 2021080196)

Notice of Determination - ATTACHMENT

Project Title: Las Camas Solar Project

Project Applicant: EDPR CA Solar Park III LLC

Project Location: Approximately 1,839 acres of vacant leased lands generally located at the southwest corner of Interstate I-5 and State Routes 152/33, 3 miles southeast of Santa Nella and 6 miles west of Los Banos, identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 078-160-012, 078-160-013, 078-160-047, 078 160-056, 078-160-060, 078-172-001, 078-190-004, 078-190-005, excluding a portion of 078-172-001, and 078-160-059.

Project Description: EDPR CA Solar Park III LLC (project applicant) proposes to develop, own, and operate a 200-megawatt (MW) alternating current (AC) ground-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) power plant located on vacant lands in unincorporated Merced County. The goal of the proposed project is to provide renewable solar energy to be sold to a load serving entity through a power contract, generating electrical power from a clean source that would supplement the energy capacity of the existing power grid, thereby increasing the stability and operability of the transmission system, as well as offsetting supplies from fossil fuel generating sources.

The applicant has filed applications for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) (CUP Application No. CUP 20-011 & CUP25-016), General Plan Amendment (General Plan Amendment Application No. 20-001 & GPA25-003), and Zone Change (Zone Change Application No. ZC 21-002 & ZC25-003) with Merced County to allow for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed project, which entails the long-term generation of clean renewable energy from solar power.

The addendum to the March 2025 County-certified Supplemental EIR provides an analysis of the potential effects on the environment that could occur as a result of the County's approval of the general plan amendment, zone change, and conditional use permit authorizing constructing, operating, and decommissioning the project as modified from the project approved in March 2025. Project modifications consist of the addition of a 158-acre parcel (increasing the size of the approved project for a total of approximately 1,839 acres); redistribution of on-site solar equipment; increases in ground disturbance and site grading; changes to construction haul routes/access; elimination of water truck deliveries; extension and reduction in width of vegetated screen; and a battery fire suppression system.



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2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE
CASH RECEIPT
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RECEIPT NUMBER:
25-0000036
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (if applicable)

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LEAD AGENCY MERCED COUNTY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 03/11/2025
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING MERCED COUNTY		DOCUMENT NUMBER 25-0000036

PROJECT TITLE
LAS CAMAS SOLAR PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME EDPR CA SOLAR PARK III LLC	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (209) 385-1654
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 2222 M STREET	CITY MERCED	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 95340

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,123.50	\$	<u>4,123.50</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,968.75	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,401.75	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee			
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$	<u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee	\$50.00	\$	<u>50.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other		\$	<u>0.00</u>

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ **4,173.50**

SIGNATURE X <i>by</i>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Juha Ruiz Deputy Clerk
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Notice of Determination

To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of Merced
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

From: Merced County
2222 M Street
Merced, CA 95340

Contact: Tiffany Ho, Deputy Director of Planning
(209) 385-7654 ext. 4407
Tiffany.Ho@countyofmerced.com

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

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021080196

Project Title: Las Camas Solar Project

Project Applicant: EDPR CA Solar Park III LLC

Project Location: Approximately 1,741 acres of vacant leased lands generally located at the southwest corner of Interstate I-5 and State Routes 152/33, north of Billy Wright Road, 3 miles southeast of Santa Nella and 6 miles west of Los Banos, identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) 078-160-012, 078-160-013, 078-160-047, 078-160-056, 078-160-060, 078-172-001 in part, 078-190-004, 078-190-005, 078-160-030 and 078-160-047.

Project Description:

The project proposes to amend the General Plan land use designation and zoning classification of approximately 202.8 acres of land located on the southeastern portion of the Villages of Laguna San Luis Community Plan from Low Density Residential to Medium and High Density Residential land uses and establish the Las Camas Solar Overlay, to sunset on December 31, 2060; to approve a Solar Benefits Agreement memorializing the project's economic benefits to the County; and to approve a Conditional Use Permit for the construction and operation of a 200-megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic power plant for approximately 35 years in the Solar Overlay Zone. Other improvements associated with the project would include the construction of a 230-kilovolt generation tie line consisting of overhead power lines to connect the solar project to the PG&E substation.

The applicant has filed applications for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) (CUP Application No. CUP 20-011), General Plan Amendment (General Plan Amendment Application No. 20-001), and Zone Change (Zone Change Application No. ZC 21-002) with Merced County to allow for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed project, which entails the long-term generation of clean renewable energy from solar power.

This is to advise that the County of Merced as the Lead Agency has approved the above project described on 3/11/2025 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
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was was not adopted for this project.
6. Findings were were not made pursuant to provisions of CEQA.

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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 the County of Merced Community & Economic Development, 2222 "M" Street, 2nd Floor, Merced, CA 95340, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

**Signature &
Date:**

Tiffany Ho

Digitally signed by
Tiffany Ho
Date: 2025.03.11
14:40:18 -07'00'

Title: Deputy Director of Planning

**Date Received for
Filing at OPR:**

MERCED COUNTY RECORDER
MATT H. MAY
CLERK RECORDER'S
2222 M STREET
MERCED, CA, 95340
(209) 385-7627

VitalCheck Network

Receipt # F2025006686

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Register RE-COUNTER4

Date / Time 3/11/25 3:23 pm

Description	Fee
NOD/EIR	
Document n/a	\$4173.50
Time Recorded: 3:23 pm	
Recording Fee:	\$4173.50
Total Amount Due	\$4173.50
Total Paid	
House Charge	\$4173.50

THANK YOU
PLEASE KEEP FOR REFERENCE

VitalCheck Receipt
Merced County Recorder

Date / Time: 3/11/2025 03:17 PM PDT

Order Number: 197784677

Line Item: 1 of 1

Certificate Type: OFFICIAL RECORD

Name on Certificate: NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Record ID:

Applicant's Phone: (832)-808-0304

Method of Delivery:
Regular Mail



Authorization Code: 049976

Agency Fee:	\$4173.50
Other Agency Fee:	\$0.00
Misc Fee:	\$0.00
Shipping:	\$0.00
VCN Handling:	\$7.00
Total Order Fees:	\$4180.50

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