

**Notice of Determination**

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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2022110558

**Project Title:** Pelicans Jaw Hybrid Solar Project (Amendment No. 1 to Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-48486-R4).

**Project Location:** The Project will occur at eight discreet Work Areas within an approximately 3,371-acre hybrid solar development located in northwest Kern County, directly north of Twisselman Road and approximately 0.65 mile east of U.S. Interstate 5.


**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-KER-48486-R4, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant Pelicans Jaw Solar, LLC.

The Project includes activities related to the reinforcement and widening of eight existing access roads within the greater solar development footprint. Changes to the Project associated with Amendment No. 1 include adding the option to dewater and divert Work Areas due to ongoing saturation and pooling of water resulting from rainfall and the perched water table.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on 6/6/2025 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings were made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final environmental impact report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency.

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**Signature:**  
Julie A. Vance, Regional Manager

**Date:** 6/6/2025

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