NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND AVAILABILITY
OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
FOR
SAN LUIS WEST SOLAR PROJECT
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER 2024110679

The County of Fresno, acting in the capacity of Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), has filed a "Notice of Completion and Availability" of a Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) for the Project. This document has been prepared in accordance with, and pursuant to, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended; Public Resources Code, Section 21000 *et seq*.; and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (State CEQA Guidelines), California Code of Regulation, Title 14, Chapter 15000 *et seq*., (including Section 15160).

SITE LOCATION
The Project Area is located in a rural area of Fresno County approximately 3 miles south of Huron, California. The Project Area is south of West Tractor Avenue, west of the California Aqueduct, and east of Interstate 5 (I-5), with agricultural land and a network of unnamed agricultural roads to the south. The Project Area extends to the south and approximately 3 miles due east of the Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) Gates Substation, which is located at the intersection of South Trinity Avenue and West Jayne Avenue. The Project will be located on 7 parcels with the following assessor's parcel numbers (APNs):

- 075-070-54S
- 078-060-85S
- 078-080-55
- 085-050-01S
- 085-050-47S
- 085-050-48S
- 085-050-84S

PROPOSED PROJECT
San Luis West Solar, LLC proposes to construct and operate the San Luis West Solar Project (Project). The Project will consist of a 125-megawatt (mW) solar photovoltaic (PV) electric generation facility coupled with an estimated 30 mW battery energy storage system (BESS). The PV portion of the facility will produce electricity by way of the photovoltaic effect, which uses a semi-conductor material to convert photons from the Sun into electrons, for injection into the electrical grid operated by PG&E. The BESS portion of the facility will store electricity either generated by the PV arrays or absorbed from the PG&E grid. In either case, the BESS will make the stored energy available for discharge during periods of peak electrical load.

The Project facility includes approximately 770 acres of solar panels and associated infrastructure, including the Project substation, BESS, operations and maintenance (O&M) building, and other associated equipment such as overhead and underground medium voltage collection lines. Project infrastructure will also include approximately 10 additional acres of transmission easement areas for underground and overhead medium voltage collection lines situated along and within existing farm roads. The Project Area, which encompasses all areas of temporary and permanent impacts, is approximately 1,100 acres.

Project Layout
The Project Area consists of three separate subareas, referred to as Subareas A, B, and C. and is depicted in the attached Project Location Map.

- *Subarea A* would include approximately 280-acres of solar panels and associated infrastructure (i.e., internal roads, medium-voltage collection lines, a substation, a BESS, and an O&M building) located on four parcels that total approximately 800 acres. Of the 800 acres, approximately 650 acres are currently leased by the Project, and the remaining 150 acres are owned by the Project. Subarea A is located to the southeast of the existing PG&E Gates Substation, immediately south of West Jayne Avenue, and approximately 0.5 mile west of State Route (SR) 269. The proposed substation would also be located within Subarea A; it is anticipated that the BESS would be co-located with the substation in Subarea A. Two temporary laydown areas that total approximately 10 acres would be located within Subarea A, along West Jayne Avenue.

- *Subarea B* would include approximately 250 acres of solar panels and associated infrastructure (i.e., internal roads and medium-voltage collection lines) on one parcel, which consists of approximately 300 acres of leased land. Subarea B is bordered by SR-269 to the west, West Jayne Avenue to the south, and active row crops to the east.
- *Subarea C* would include approximately 240 acres of solar panels and associated infrastructure (i.e., internal roads and medium-voltage collection lines) on two parcels, which consist of approximately 325 acres of leased land. Subarea C is located to the immediate west of the California Aqueduct and is bisected by West Jayne Avenue.

Operating Hours and Personnel
The Project facility would be operated remotely, 7 days per week and 365 days per year. The solar panel part of the facility would operate during daylight hours. Onsite O&M activities are anticipated to require site visits on the order of once to twice per month, consisting of a small ground crew.

Vehicular Traffic
Primary access to the Project Area will originate via I-5 to exit 325, West Jayne Avenue, which is a paved County road featuring one lane of traffic in each direction (east and west). From there, traffic will travel eastbound along West Jayne the proposed facility. Access may also be provided from State Route (SR) 269, which runs north-south near the center of the Project Area. A network of currently existing agricultural roads within the Project Area will be utilized for ingress and egress throughout construction.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
The Planning Commission hearing will be at **8:45 a.m.** on **February 12, 2026** (or as soon thereafter as possible) in Room 301, Hall of Records, 2281 Tulare Street (Tulare & "M" Streets), Fresno, CA.

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AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL EIR
The Final EIR is available for public at the following website: https://www.fresnocountyca.gov/Departments/Public-Works-and-Planning/divisions-of-public-works-and-planning/development-services-division/planning-and-land-use/environmental-impact-reports/San-Luis-West-Solar-EIR-8542, and at the following locations:

Fresno County Public Library
2420 Mariposa Street
Fresno, California 93721

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