



Imperial County Planning & Development Services Planning / Building

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DIRECTOR

NOTICE OF INTENT

NOTICE OF INTENT IS HERBY GIVEN for the preparation of a Negative Declaration Mitigated Negative Declaration for Conditional Use Permit #24-0013, Zone Change #24-0005, and General Plan Amendment #24-0004 (Initial Study #24-0021) Apex Energy Solutions, LLC (Seville 5 Solar Project), pursuant to the *California Environmental Quality Act* and the County of Imperial's *Rules and Regulations to Implement California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as amended*.

LEAD AGENCY: Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department (ICPDS)

APPLICANT: Apex Energy Solutions, LLC

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is located on one privately-owned parcel (Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 018-010-043). APN 018-010-043 encompasses approximately 270 acres in unincorporated Imperial County, California. The project is located immediately south of State Route 78, approximately 6 miles east of the unincorporated community of Ocotillo Wells, and approximately 7 miles west of State Route 86.

The project site is is not listed on any list under Government Code Section 65962.5.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Applicant proposes the Seville 5 Solar Project which consists of the development of a 65-Megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic energy generation facility, 130-MW battery energy storage system, and a gen-tie line to an existing substation immediately south of the project site (APN 018-170-058) with ultimate delivery to Imperial Irrigation District's existing 92-kV "K" Line.

PUBLIC HEARING: An Imperial County Planning Commission public hearing will be conducted on a date to be determined in the County Administration Center (Board Room) located at 940 Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243 to consider approval of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, in conjunction with the proposed project.

COMMENT PERIOD: July 7, 2025 to August 11, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Comments will be accepted for the proposed project during this period. You may submit comments by mail, fax or email at ICPDSComentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us. Only comments submitted during the specified period will be considered unless otherwise allowed under CEQA.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: All required documents for the project are available at the ICPDS office located at 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 during normal working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

Jim Minnick, Director
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