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SCH #

Project Title: Soda Mountain Solar Project

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City: Sacramento | Zip: 95814 | County: Sacramento

Project Location: County: San Bernardino | City/Nearest Community: Baker

Cross Streets: I-15 and Rasor Road | Zip Code: 92309

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 35 ° 9 ′ 23.0394 ″ N / 116 ° 11 ′ 2.3994 ″ W | Total Acres: 2670

Assessor's Parcel No.: See attached | Section: | Twp.: | Range: | Base:

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: I-15 | Waterways: None

Airports: None | Railways: None | Schools: None

Document Type:

CEQA: ☒ NOP ☐ Draft EIR ☐ Early Cons ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR ☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Mit Neg Dec Other:

NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ EA ☐ Draft EIS ☐ FONSI

Other: ☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other:

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Community Plan
☐ Specific Plan ☐ Master Plan ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Site Plan
☐ Rezone ☐ Prezone ☐ Use Permit ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)
☐ Annexation ☐ Redevelopment ☐ Coastal Permit ☒ Other: None- BLM land

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units Acres
☐ Office: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. Acres Employees
☐ Educational:
☐ Recreational:
☐ Water Facilities: Type MGD
☐ Transportation: Type
☐ Mining: Mineral
☒ Power: Type Solar PV + BESS MW 300 MW + 300 MW
☐ Waste Treatment: Type MGD
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type
☐ Other:

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☐ Agricultural Land ☒ Air Quality ☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Biological Resources ☐ Coastal Zone ☒ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Economic/Jobs
☐ Fiscal ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☐ Minerals ☒ Noise ☐ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Public Services/Facilities
☒ Recreation/Parks ☐ Schools/Universities ☐ Septic Systems ☐ Sewer Capacity ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☒ Solid Waste ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Traffic/Circulation
☒ Vegetation ☐ Water Quality ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater ☐ Wetland/Riparian ☐ Growth Inducement ☒ Land Use ☒ Cumulative Effects ☒ Other: Tribal Cultural, Energy/GHG

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Vacant- Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

Soda Mountain Solar, LLC (applicant), proposes to construct, operate, and maintain a utility-scale solar photovoltaic (PV) electrical generating and storage facility and associated infrastructure (operations and maintenance buildings, stormwater infrastructure, and related infrastructure improvements) to generate and deliver renewable electricity to the statewide electricity transmission grid. The project would generate up to 300 megawatts (MW) of renewable energy and include up to 300 MW/1,200 MW-hours (MWh) of battery storage. The batteries would be lithium ion or similar. The project would include a switchyard and substation.

The power produced by the project would be conveyed to the regional electrical grid through an interconnection with the existing Mead-Adelanto 500-kilovolt (kV) transmission line operated by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP). The approximately 200 foot wide, 1-mile long 500 kV gen-tie line would run from the project substation, just southeast of I-15, to the switchyard and then to the point of interconnection with the existing LADWP Mead-Adelanto transmission line. A small segment of the gen-tie line, approximately 450 feet, would cross I-15.

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	Boating & Waterways, Department of		Office of Public School Construction
	California Emergency Management Agency		Parks & Recreation, Department of
X	California Highway Patrol		Pesticide Regulation, Department of
X	Caltrans District # 8	X	Public Utilities Commission
	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	X	Regional WQCB # 6
	Caltrans Planning	X	Resources Agency
	Central Valley Flood Protection Board		Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy		S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
	Coastal Commission		San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
	Colorado River Board		San Joaquin River Conservancy
X	Conservation, Department of		Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
	Corrections, Department of		State Lands Commission
	Delta Protection Commission		SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
	Education, Department of	X	SWRCB: Water Quality
S	Energy Commission		SWRCB: Water Rights
X	Fish & Game Region # 6		Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
	Food & Agriculture, Department of	X	Toxic Substances Control, Department of
X	Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	X	Water Resources, Department of
	General Services, Department of		
	Health Services, Department of		Other:
	Housing & Community Development		Other:
X	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date August 5, 2025 Ending Date September 3, 2025

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: Kaycee Chang **Date:** August 4, 2025

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