

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Diamond Ranch High School Solar Farm Project

Lead Agency: Pomona Unified School District

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Project Location: Pomona
City

Los Angeles
County

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The approximately 11.5-acre project site is located on the northern portion of the Diamond Ranch High School campus at 100 Diamond Ranch Drive (Los Angeles County Assessor's Parcel Nos. 8701-022-907 and -908) within the Cities of Pomona and Diamond Bar.

The project involves the construction and operation of a 2.8-megawatt direct current solar photovoltaic (PV) power generating system, which would include supporting structures, inverter modules, pad-mounted transformers, access roads and fencing, and a 480-volt switchgear station. A total of 4,284 PV panels would be installed on ground-mounted racks. The renewable energy generated by the project would be distributed to the existing Southern California Edison (SCE) distribution line located beneath Diamond Ranch Road and exported to SCE's grid to offset electricity use at 20 District-owned properties. The project would generate 2.8 megawatts of electricity per year, which equates to approximately 20 percent of the District's annual energy use. See Figure 2 for the project site plan.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

The project could potentially result in significant impacts to special-status animal species, including coastal California gnatcatcher, least Bell's vireo, Crotch's bumble bee, western spadefoot toad, and nesting birds. Mitigation to reduce impacts to less than significant levels includes avoidance, biological monitoring, site restoration, and compensatory mitigation.

Some of the geologic units underlying the project site have a high sensitivity for paleontological resources; therefore, there is a potential for significant impacts to paleontological resources. Mitigation to reduce impacts to less than significant levels includes paleontological monitoring during construction.

Potential asbestos containing materials currently on site could expose workers and/or the public to temporary hazardous materials. Mitigation includes testing materials for asbestos and, if present, abatement by a licensed asbestos abatement contractor.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

None.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

There are no trustee agencies for the project.

Responsible agencies include:

US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
Division of the State Architect
Los Angeles County Fire Department
South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)