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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

DIAMOND RANCH HIGH SCHOOL SOLAR FARM PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Pomona Unified School District (PUSD), as Lead Agency, has prepared an Initial Study and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Diamond Ranch High School Solar Farm Project (project), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code [PRC], Division 13, Section 21000 et seq. [CEQA Statute] and the California Code of Regulations [CCR], Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]). An IS/MND is a detailed informational document that analyzes the proposed project's potentially significant environmental impacts and identifies ways to minimize and mitigate such effects. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments regarding the content of the Draft IS/MND.

PROJECT LOCATION: 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 (see Figure 1).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project involves of 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.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: Based on the Initial Study findings, the project would have a less than significant impact on the following environmental categories listed in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines when proposed mitigation measures are implemented:

- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Mandatory Findings of Significance

The project would have no impact or a less than significant impact on the remainder of the environmental categories listed in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines. Accordingly, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064(f)(2), and based on the environmental analysis in the Initial Study, PUSD has determined that a Mitigated Negative Declaration is the appropriate level of environmental documentation for the project.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: Thursday, October 30, 2025 until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 1, 2025

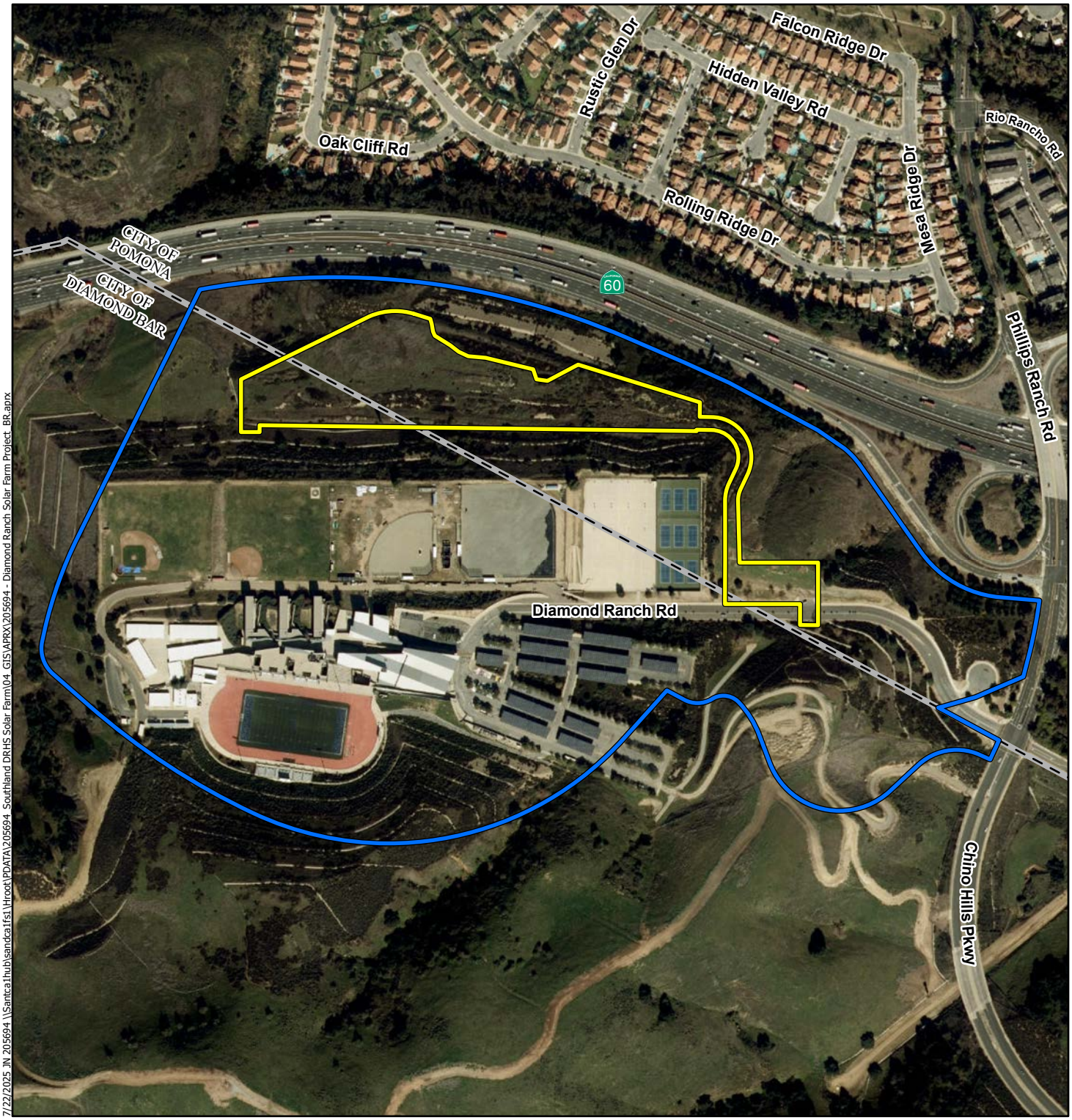
DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft IS/MND is available for review at the following locations:

- Pomona Unified School District Office at 800 S. Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA 91766
- PUSD website: https://proudtobe.pusd.org/apps/pages/cequa

SUBMITTING COMMENTS: If you would like to comment on the Draft IS/MND, please send written comments by **5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 1, 2025** to:

Ronald Gonzales-Lawrence
Director, Governmental Relations
ronald.lawrence@pomona.k12.ca.us; or for large files, use: cega.comments@pusd.org
Please include "DRHS Solar Farm Project" in the subject line

MEETING TO ADOPT IS/MND: The Board of Trustees will consider adoption of the IS/MND and approval of the project at its meeting on **Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.** to be held at the Pomona Unified School District's Board Room at 800 S. Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA 91766.



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Legend

- Project Site
- Diamond Ranch High School Campus Boundary

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Source: Esri, ArcGIS Online

Project Site

Figure 1



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Project Site Plan

Figure 2



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Project Site Plan

Figure 2