



# Imperial County Planning & Development Services Planning / Building

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## NOTICE OF INTENT

**NOTICE OF INTENT IS HEREBY GIVEN** for the preparation of a  Negative Declaration  Mitigated Negative Declaration for Conditional Use Permit #24-0027, Conditional Zone Change #25-0001, and General Plan Amendment #25-0001 (Initial Study #24-0040) Apex Energy Solutions, LLC (Border Battery Energy Storage System 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:** North of the United States (U.S.)/Mexico International Border and south of the All-American Canal and State-Route 98, Imperial County, California

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

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The proposed project consists of two primary components: 1) 75-megawatt (MW) Battery Energy Storage System (BESS); and 2) gen-tie line that would connect to the Imperial Irrigation District's (IID) existing 92-kilovolt (kV) "P" Line. The project applicant is requesting the issuance of one Conditional Use Permit, a General Plan Amendment, and Conditional Zone Change to allow for the construction and operation of a BESS facility within a Light Industrial with Renewable Energy Overlay zone (M-1-RE). The project is proposed to connect to the IID electrical grid via the existing 92 kV "P" Line and the existing Bonesteel Substation located north of the All-American Canal.

**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:** March 20, 2026 to April 24, 2026 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](mailto: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  
Planning & Development Services