

Notice of Exemption

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County Clerk
County of Imperial
940 Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

By: 
Deputy Clerk

From: (Public Agency):
County of Imperial
Planning & Development Services
801 Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

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Project Title: Lot Merger #00193

APR 09 2026

Project Applicant: Imperial Sun Solar, LLC / Atlantica

Imperial County Clerk-Recorder
California

Project Location – Specific:

The proposed project site is located between the U.S./Mexico International Border and the All-American Canal, further identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 059-300-015-000 & 059-300-017 and legally described as THAT POR OF SECTIONS 10 & 11, T17S, R16E, 301.73 AC M/L, and TR 41, T17S, R16E, 148.88 AC.

Project Location – City: 2849 E HWY 98
Holtville CA, 92250

Project Location – County: Imperial

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

This application requests a Lot Merger of four existing Legal Lots (APNs 059-300-015 and 059-300-017) totaling 442.56 acres into two consolidated parcels. The subject territory comprises APN 059-300-015, which contains Internal Lot 1 through 3, and APN 059-300-017, which contains Internal Lot 4. While the land is currently vacant agricultural land zoned Heavy Agricultural, with a Renewable Energy Overlay (A-3-RE), the proposed merger will facilitate the development of a utility-scale PV Solar and a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) approved via CUP #20-0020 (Vega 4 / Cedar 1), along with an IID substation.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Imperial County Planning Commission

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Rocio Yee, Planner II

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15305, Class 5, Minor Alteration in Land Use Limitations
- Statutory Exemptions, State Code Number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project is exempt pursuant to Section 15305, "Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations," under Article 19, "Categorical Exemptions." The project involves minor modifications to land use limitations in an area with an average slope of less than 20% and does not result in any changes to land use or density.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Rocio Yee, Planner II Area Code/ Telephone Extension: (442) 265-1736

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 04/09/2026 Title: Michael Abraham
ICPDS Assistant
Director

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant