



Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Michelle Substation Project

Notice is hereby given by the Imperial Irrigation District of the availability for public review of a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Michelle Substation Project

The project involves the construction of a new electrical substation located in the City of Imperial, California, specifically situated near the intersection of Dogwood Road and the existing 92-kV transmission corridor. The initial phase consists of the installation of one 28-MVA transformer with four distribution feeders, with space reserved for a second 28-MVA transformer and four additional feeders to accommodate future regional growth. The substation will be served by an existing 92-kV transmission line, with new distribution and transmission lines exiting the substation underground and tying into existing poles along Dogwood Road. The scope includes a centralized control building, auxiliary equipment, site grading, grounding grids, concrete foundations, and a secure perimeter wall. The project is being constructed to enhance grid reliability and meet increasing electrical demand in the City of Imperial. By providing localized power distribution, the Michelle Substation will alleviate load on existing facilities and provide the necessary infrastructure for future residential and commercial expansion. This project ensures the IID remains in compliance with NERC reliability standards and maintains high-quality service levels for the surrounding community.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Initial Study and Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration will be available for public review and comment for 30 days (April 17, 2026 through May 18, 2026) Discussion of potential impacts regarding Agricultural Resources, Biological Resources, and Tribal Cultural Resources, along with associated mitigation measures, are included in the IS. No significant impacts were identified for the project, and a Draft MND has been prepared and is recommended for adoption. Copies of the IS and Draft MND are on file at the IID General Counsel's office located at 333 E. Barioni Blvd. Imperial, CA 92251 (hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday thru Thursday [and alternating Fridays]), and on the IID's website <https://www.iid.com/about-iid/environmental-documents-available-for-public-review>. All comments concerning this environmental document must be submitted in writing to:

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All comments must be received prior to the close of the business day on May 18, 2026. The Imperial Irrigation District is required to consider all written comments received during the noticed public review period prior to approving the project.