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**From:** California Energy Commission  
 1516 Ninth Street  
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**Project Applicant:** Lane and Michele Davis Joint Venture

**Project Title:** BJ Etchepare Ranch 11.52 kW Solar System

**Project Location – Specific:** 3915 Lyons Road (APN 014-110-035-000)

**Project Location – City:** Maxwell      **Project Location – County:** Colusa

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The purpose of this project is to fund the installation of a 11.52 kW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy system on the roof of an existing structure. The project will serve the electrical needs of the existing agriculture operation.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** California Energy Commission

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Lane and Michele Davis Joint Venture

**Exempt Status:** *(check one)*

- Ministerial Exemption (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15268);
  - Declared Emergency (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(a));
  - Emergency Project (Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, § 15269(b)(c));
  - Categorical Exemption. State type and section number
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- Statutory Exemptions. State code number. Pub. Resources Code section 21080.35
  - Common Sense Exemption. (Cal. Code Regs., tit 14, §15061(b)(3))

**Reasons why project is exempt:**

This project will involve the installation of a solar energy system on the roof of an existing building and pursuant to Pub. Res. Code § 21080.35 is exempt from CEQA. The materials will enable the generation and use of solar photovoltaic. The system will be installed at an almond and rice farm in Colusa County. Associated equipment will not occupy more than 500 square feet of ground surface.

The project does not involve a federal Clean Water Act permit; waste discharge requirements under Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act; individual take permit; streambed alteration permit; or removal of specific required or native trees. For these reasons, this project is statutorily exempt from CEQA under Pub. Res. Code § 21080.35.