

**Notice of Determination**



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**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108**

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 20200090176

**Project Title:** Baldy Mesa Solar Project Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-SBR-13456-R6

**Project Location:** The Project is located in the northwestern portion of the City of Adelanto within the Mojave Desert. The main Project area is bounded by El Mirage Road on the south, Colusa Road on the north, extends 0.5 mile west of Richardson Road on the west, and to Raccoon Road on the east. The Project and gen-tie options are located in Sections 11–13 of Township 6 North, Range 6 West, and Sections 6, 7, 17-20, and 28-33 of Township 6 North, Range 5 West (San Bernardino Meridian) found on the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Adelanto and Victorville NW 7.5-minute topographic quadrangles

**Project Description:** The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement number EPIMS-SBR-13456-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Baldy Mesa Solar, LLC

The proposed Project involves the construction of a ground-mounted, utility-scale solar energy and energy storage facility. The proposed Project would have a generating capacity of up to 200 Megawatts (MW) located on approximately 1,197 acres. The construction of the project will result in impacts to jurisdictional areas to all the small ephemeral streams within the solar array fields. This will result in permanent impacts to a total of 8.54 acres of state jurisdictional resources.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the above-described project on May/06/2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project  will /  will not have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW’s permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures  were /  were not made a condition of CDFW’s approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan  was /  was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A statement of overriding considerations  was /  was not adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings  were //  were not made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

The final Mitigated Negative Declaration report prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW’s record of project approval as Responsible Agency is available at CDFW’s regional office.

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5/10/2021

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Alisa Ellsworth, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_