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## **Project Description**

EDPR CA Solar Park III LLC (project applicant) proposes to develop, own, and operate a 200-megawatt (MW) alternating current (AC) ground-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) power plant located on vacant lands in unincorporated Merced County. The goal of the proposed project is to provide renewable solar energy to be sold to a load serving entity through a power contract, generating electrical power from a clean source that would supplement the energy capacity of the existing power grid, thereby increasing the stability and operability of the transmission system, as well as offsetting supplies from fossil fuel generating sources.

The applicant has filed applications for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) (CUP Application No. CUP 20-011), General Plan Amendment (General Plan Amendment Application No. 20-001), and Zone Change (Zone Change Application No. ZC 21-002) with Merced County to allow for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed project, which entails the long-term generation of clean renewable energy from solar power. The EIR will provide a project-level analysis of the potential effects on the environment that could occur as a result of the County's approval of the proposed general plan amendment, zone change, and conditional use permit authorizing constructing, operating, and decommissioning the proposed project.