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Lead Agency: KERN COUNTY PLANNING AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Project Title: PP21401- AZALEA SOLAR PROJECT BY SF AZALEA, LLC

Project Applicant Name: IDEMITSU RENEWABLES

Phone Number: (510) 734-5095

Address: 50 CALIFORNIA STREET, SUITE 820

City: BAKERSFIELD

State: CA

ZIP: 94111

Posting Period: 30 Days 45 Days Other 30

Project Applicant Type: Private Entity

Select Fee

Notice of Intent

Notice of Availability

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice of Preparation

Mitigated Negative Declaration/Negative Declaration

Environmental Impact Report

Notice of Exemption

Other

No Fish & Wildlife Fee

Total: \$3,889.25

Proof of Payment

Please enter Proof of Payment: 405075

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Additional Information

Reference Number:

JV ACCOUNT STRING:

24010/2750/5730 \$3839.25 FW FE

Notes: 24012/2750/5730 \$50.00 CC FEE

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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
(CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT OF 1970)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

1. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern has approved the following described project in the County of Kern, State of California:

- a. Applicant, or sponsoring agency or department: SF Azalea, LLC by Idemitsu Renewables, LLC (PP21401);
- b. Name of Project: (a) Conditional Use Permit Case No. 10, Map No. 3; (b) Conditional Use Permit Case No. 14, Map No. 3; (c) Williamson Act Contract Cancellation No. 20-06;
- c. Street Address/Cross-Street of Project: Approximately 2.5 miles northwest of Twisselman Road and Kings Road in the northwest portion of unincorporated Kern County

Map of Project (if no street address): Attached

- d. Description of Project Implementation of the Azalea Solar Project would facilitate the development of approximately 60 megawatts (MW) of renewable electrical energy and approximately 55 MW of energy storage capacity on approximately 640 acres of privately owned land, consisting of two (2) parcels. The project consists of the following: (a) Conditional Use Permit to allow for construction and operation of an approximate 60 MW solar facility, as well as ancillary structures including a 55 MW Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), on the 640-acre site within the A (Exclusive Agriculture) Zone District pursuant to Section 19.12.030.G of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance; (b) Conditional Use Permit to allow for the construction and operation of a microwave communications tower, within the A (Exclusive Agriculture) Zone District pursuant to Section 19.12.030.F of the Kern County Zoning Ordinance; and (c) Williamson Act Contract Cancellation No. 20-06.

2. Approval – Summary of Proceedings:

Adoption date March 14, 2023, Item No. CA-5 2:00 p.m.

3. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern has determined that the project in its approved form will have a significant effect on the environment.

4. An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and a Mitigation Measure Monitoring Program were prepared pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines and were received and considered by this Board and certified as required by Section 15090 the State CEQA Guidelines.

5. Mitigation measures and a Mitigation Measure Monitoring Program were made as conditions of approval of the project. Findings were made pursuant to Section 15091 of the State CEQA Guidelines. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was adopted for the project pursuant to Section 15093 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

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6. A copy of the EIR may be examined by any interested person during regular business hours at the following location: Kern County Administrative Center, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Fifth Floor, Bakersfield, California 93301, Telephone No. 868-3585.

Lorelei H. Oviatt, AICP, Director
Planning and Natural Resources Department
County of Kern, State of California

Lorelei H. Oviatt

Telephone No. 862-8600

By: _____

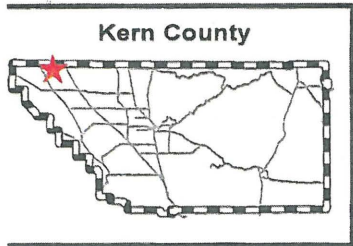
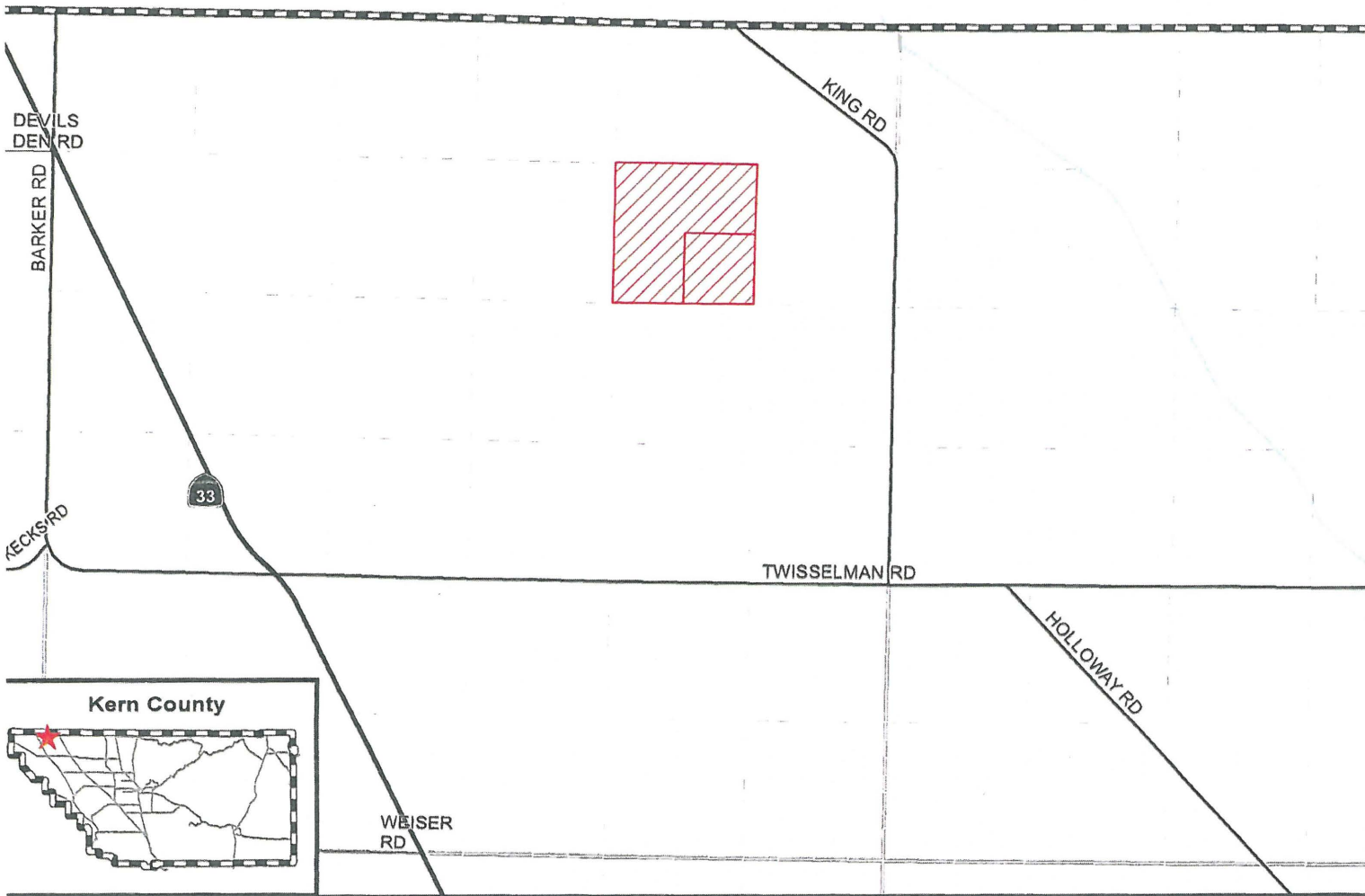
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Azalea Solar Project


**Figure 1:
Vicinity Map**
SF Azalea, LLC

KINGS COUNTY


-  Site
-  STATE HWY
-  Arterials
-  Collectors
-  Locals
-  Dirt Roads
-  Township/Range
-  Sections



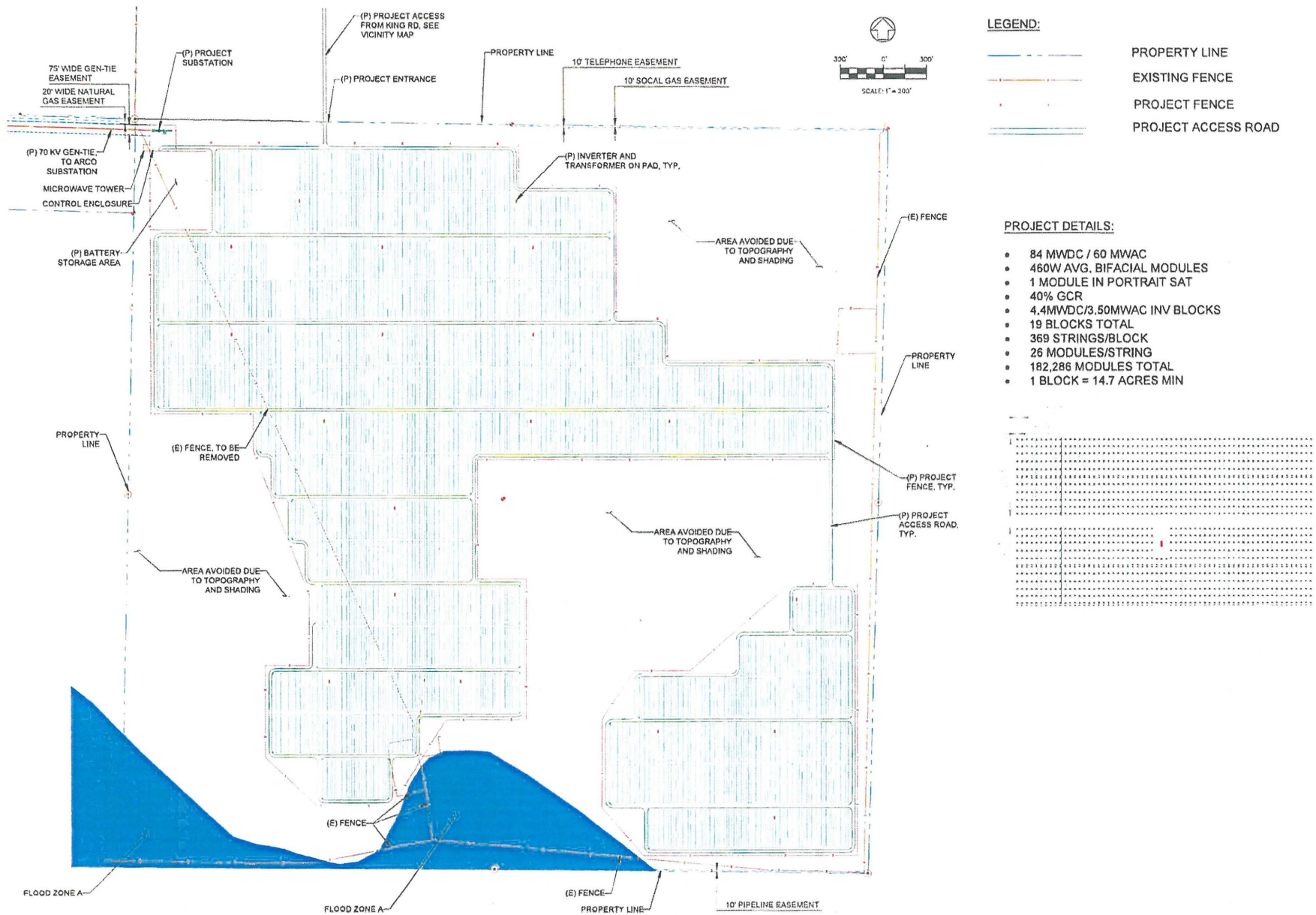
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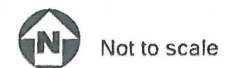


**Kern County
Planning & Natural
Resources Department**



SOURCE: Idemitsu Renewables, 2021

FIGURE 5: Proposed Site Plan
 Draft Environmental Impact Report
 Azalea Solar Project



Kern County
 Planning Department
 2700 "M" Street
 Bakersfield, CA 93301
 Phone (661) 862-8822
 Fax (661) 862-8601

Payment of fees may be subject to:
 California Government Code Section 66020 (d)(1)

Customer Name: SF AZALEA, LLC

Document Number: PP 21401 CUP 10, MAP 3 / TJS

5730 TRUST FUND - OTHER

CCF002T County Clerk Fee

CCF002T - County Clerk CEQA Posting

1 @

\$50.000

\$50.00

CCFG01T CA Fish & Game Fee - EIR

CCFG01T - CA Fish & Game Fee - EIR

1 @

\$3,343.250

\$3,343.25

ENP001T EIR Preparation/Monitoring

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1 @

\$10,000.000

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PIM002T Conditional Use Permit

PIM002T - Conditional Use Permit

1 @

\$1,400.000

\$1,400.00

WAM004T Contract Cancellation

WAM004T - Contract Cancellation

1 @

\$990.000

\$990.00

MISCELLANEOUS

CCL001 Policy and Legal Conformance Fee

CCL001 - Policy and Legal Conformance Fee

1 @

\$185.000

\$185.00

FD333 Fire Review and Consultation

FD333 - Fire Review and Consultation

1 @

\$210.000

\$210.00

Other Departments

CLK001 Notice Process-clerk of the Board

Notice Process

2 @

\$120.000

\$240.00

EHS090 Land Development

EHS090 - Land Development

1 @

\$495.000

\$495.00

Maps

LDR Legal Description Review

Legal Description Review

1 @

\$100.000

\$100.00

3310 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

PIML02 Conditional Use Permit - \$25 per lot

PIML02 - Conditional Use Permit - \$25 per lot

3 @

\$25.000

\$75.00

OIL & GAS

POG003 Electronic Permitting Maintenance

POG003 - Electronic Permitting Maintenance

2 @

\$100.000

\$200.00

Order Total**\$17,288.25**

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