

NOTICE OF INTENT

NOTICE OF INTENT IS HERBY GIVEN for the preparation of a Negative Declaration Mitigated Negative Declaration for SP 21-002, ZC 21-007, CUP 21-0019, MERG 00150 V21-003 and IS 21-0035 True North Organics Renewable Energy Facility, pursuant to the *California Environmental Quality Act* and the County of Imperial's *Rules and Regulations to Implement California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)* as amended.

LEAD AGENCY: Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department (ICPDS)

APPLICANT: True North Renewable Energy, LLC

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is north of Harris Road, west of Old State Highway 111, and east of Rose Drain, within the Mesquite Lake Specific Plan. The Project includes the following parcels: Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs) 040-360-036, 040-360-037, 040-360-038, and 040-360-039.

The project site is is not listed on any list under Government Code Section 65962.5.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The True North Organics Renewable Energy Facility Project is a high solids anaerobic digestion (HSAD) facility with incidental advanced composting for the management and processing of residential, commercial, and industrial organic waste and green material. The Project would provide organics processing infrastructure and organic materials diversion from regional landfills and generate renewable energy through the HSAD process. The Project includes a Specific Plan Amendment, Zone Change, Conditional Use Permit, Lot Merger and Variance.

PUBLIC HEARING: An Imperial County Planning Commission public hearing will be conducted on a day to be determined in the County Administration Center (Board Room) located at 940 Main Street, El Centro, CA, 92243 to consider the adoption of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration, in conjunction with the proposed project.

COMMENT PERIOD: 04/04/23 to 05/09/23 at 5:00 p.m.

Comments will be accepted for the proposed project during this period. You may submit comments by mail, fax or email at ICPDSComentLetters@co.imperial.ca.us. Only comments submitted during the specified period will be considered unless otherwise allowed under CEQA.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: All required documents for the project are available at the ICPDS office located at 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 during normal working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,
Jim Minnick, Director
Planning & Development Services