

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:	FROM:
Office of Planning and Research 1400 10th Street Sacramento, California 95814	State of California Department of General Services Real Estate Services Division 707 Third Street, 4th Floor West Sacramento, California 95605

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

PROJECT TITLE: Darrah Springs Solar Project

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Project Approval

The California Department of General Service (State) adopted the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and approved the Darrah Springs Solar Project on **March 25, 2024.**

Project Location

The Project Site is located within the facility for the Darrah Springs State Fish Hatchery located at 29661 Wildcat Road in the community of Paynes Creek in Shasta County, California. The Project Site corresponds to the northern portion of Section 29, Township 30 North, Range 01 West (Mount Diablo Base and Meridian) with the "Shingletown, California" 7.5-minute quadrangle (U.S. Geological Survey USGS] 1985). The approximate center of the Study Area is located at latitude 40.430185° and longitude -121.994037° (NAD83). The Study Area is within the Battle Creek watershed (Hydrologic Unit Code #18020153) (Natural Resources Conservation Service [NRCS] et al. 2016).

Summary Project Description

The California Department of General Services (DGS) Darrah Springs Solar Project (Proposed Project) is a solar Photovoltaic (PV) power generation system that would include 738 ground-mounted solar arrays that would occupy 59,500 square-feet. The Proposed Project will convert sunlight to Direct Current (DC) electrical power which would then be converted to Alternating Current (AC) by string inverters before being delivered to the PG&E distribution system. The total system is expected to be approximately 321 kilowatts. The Proposed Project would support energy reduction goals, the Global Warming Solutions Act, and Governor's Green Building Order S-20-04.

The State, as the Lead Agency, has approved the above-described Project and has made the following determinations:

- There is no substantial evidence that the Proposed Project will have a significant effect on the environment.

In accordance with CEQA, a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project was prepared. The Mitigated Negative Declaration has been adopted by DGS, which is the Lead Agency for the Proposed Project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval may be examined at the following website: <http://www.ecorpcconsulting.com/docs/DGS-Darrah-Springs-Solar-Project-Draft-ISMND-WITH-APPENDICES.pdf>.

- Mitigation measures were required to be made a condition of approval of the Proposed Project;
- A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not required to be adopted for the Proposed Project; and
- A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan was adopted for the Proposed Project.

This is to certify that the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration including comments and responses, the mitigation monitoring and reporting plan, and record of Project approval is available to the general public at: <http://www.ecorpcconsulting.com/docs/DGS-Darrah-Springs-Solar-Project-Final-ISMND-WITH-APPENDICES.pdf>.



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