

# Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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Project Title: Janus Solar and Battery Storage Project

Lead Agency: County of Colusa

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Project Location: Williams, Colusa

*City*

*County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Janus Solar PV, LLC has applied to Colusa County for a Use Permit (UP) to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission a solar photovoltaic (PV) power generating facility including solar PV modules, a battery energy storage system (BESS), on-site substation, a gen-tie transmission line, and other necessary supporting infrastructure (Janus Solar and Battery Storage Project (Project)). The Project would generate up to 80 megawatts of alternating current of electricity and store up to 80 megawatts, or 320 megawatt hours (MWh), of electricity on an approximately 886-acre site; only an estimated 666 acres of the site would be used. The Project would connect to the electrical grid at the existing PG&E Cortina Substation via an approx. 4-mile new gen-tie transmission line. A Development Agreement and a review of Project compatibility with the existing Williamson Act contract is also part of the Project.

The Project is located approximately 6.5 miles southwest of the City of Williams, just over 2 miles south of the Walnut Drive/Spring Valley Road at 1958 Spring Valley Road, County Assessor APN:018-050-005 and 006.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Please refer to Table EX-1 of the DIER for a the Summary of Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures. The table also identifies mitigation measures recommended to reduce, avoid or minimize significant impacts and indicates the net level of impact following implementation of all mitigation measures.

The potentially adverse effects of the proposed Project are discussed in Chapters 4.1 through 4.20 of this Draft EIR. Mitigation measures have been recommended that would avoid, reduce, or minimize impacts. All of the potential impacts associated with the proposed Project would be either less than significant or mitigated to less than significant. The proposed Project would not result in any significant unavoidable impacts.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Section 1.3 (Introduction - Public Scoping Process) of the DEIR details the comments received in response to the NOP from the Native American Heritage Commission, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the California Native Plant Society and Defenders of Wildlife, Carpenters Local Union 46, and the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board. In addition, a public Scoping Meeting was held and attended by interested parties. The Scoping Meeting resulted in number of verbal, as well as subsequent written comments. The totality of comments are available on the web at <https://www.countyofcolusaca.gov/996/Janus-Solar-and-Battery-Storage-Project>. In addition, the issues raised in these verbal and written comments are addressed in this EIR. A copy of the NOP and Scoping comments are included in Appendix "A" of this Draft EIR.

The significant issues of concern include:(1) water run-off and quality; (2) hazardous materials; (3) fire hazards; (4) conversion of agricultural land; (5) traffic impacts; (6) impact to agricultural aerial operations; (7) construction impacts; (8) decommissioning; (9) water demand; (10) impacts to biologic resources; (11) alternative designs and locations; (12) visual impacts; and (13) change of land use and neighborhood compatibility.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Air Resources Board, California Emergency Management Agency, California Highway Patrol, Caltrans District #3, Department of Conservation, Energy Commission, Fish & Wildlife Region #2, Department of Food & Agriculture, Native American Heritage Commission, Public Utilities Commission, Regional WQCB #5, Resources Agency, Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, SWRCB: Water Quality, Department of Toxic Substances Control, and California Department of Water Resources.