

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH DESERT PROJECT**

This notice is to inform the public and interested agencies that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the County of Los Angeles is circulating a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the proposed Los Angeles County High Desert Project.

Project/Location: The Project site includes an approximately 52-acre County-owned property located at 5300 West Avenue I, Lancaster, CA 93536-8312. The Project site is undeveloped and is generally located south of West Avenue I between 50th Street West and 60th Street West, on Accessor Identification Number (AIN) 3203-014-901

Project Description: The County is proposing to develop two 4 megawatt (MW) alternate current (AC) solar photovoltaic (PV) facilities on County-owned property located at 5300 West Avenue I Lancaster, CA 93536. The proposed Project would consist of the following components: (1) solar PV panels; (2) mounting structures; (3) power conditioners; and (4) site access and fencing. The solar electricity generated by the proposed solar PV facility would be fed to the electrical grid through two separate interconnections provided by Southern California Edison (SCE).

Document Availability: The Draft IS/MND will be available for review at the following locations beginning on Wednesday, October 16, 2024:

- County of Los Angeles, ISD-Energy and Environmental Service, Energy Management Division, 1100 N. Eastern Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90063
- County of Los Angeles website: <https://isd.lacounty.gov/services/energy-and-environmental-service/>

Public Review Period: The 30-day public review period for the IS/MND is from October 16, 2024 to November 15, 2024.

Comments: Any person who wishes to comment on the County's intent to adopt the MND must submit written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 15, 2024. Written comments may be sent to: Scott Manchan, ISD-Energy and Environmental Service, Energy Management Division, 1100 N. Eastern Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90063. Comments may also be sent by e-mail to SManchan@isd.lacounty.gov.

Impacts: The IS identified impacts that would be "Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated" for Biological Resources (see MM BIO-1 through -3); Cultural Resources (MM CUL-1); Geology and Soils (see MM GEO-1); and Hazards and Hazardous Materials (see MM HAZ-1 through -3). Based on the findings of the IS, an MND has been prepared for the proposed Project.