



COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY (NOA) AND NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) TO ADOPT  
AN INITIAL STUDY / MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, County Staff prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) that identifies and evaluates the environmental impacts of the below-named project.

**Project Title:** Lockhart Solar (PROJ-2022-00066)

**Project No.:** PROJ-2022-00066

**Project Location:** 315 Roy Rd., Hinkley; Unincorporated San Bernardino County, California

**Assessor Parcel Number(s):** 0490-171-01

**Project Description:** Juniper Energy LLC (the Applicant) is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to construct and operate two 4-Megawatt solar photovoltaic (PV) power generating facilities with battery storage capabilities for a combined 8-Megawatts in total on approximately 75 acres located northwest of the unincorporated community of Hinkley (the Project). The Project would generate electricity using solar PV modules mounted on single-axis trackers and arranged in north-south arrays across the Project Site. The system would store electrical production in long-duration batteries, which require no cooling system and have no risk of fires. Switchgear, a weather station, inverters, and transformers would manage the system and convert power for distribution to the nearby transmission grid. Electrical conduit, transmission and collection lines would be installed both overhead and underground. The solar PV facilities would interconnect to the 33kV distribution line owned and operated by Southern California Edison (SCE). One system would interconnect at a point near the southwestern border of the Project Site. The second system would interconnect along the northern boundary through a new electric line installed along the access easement at a point located at the corner of Roy Road and Harper Lake Road.

**Environmental Review and Public Comment:**

The document meets the State requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. Interested parties can view the Initial Study/Environmental Checklist and supporting documentation online at: <https://lus.sbcounty.gov/planning-home/environmental/desert-region/> and the following offices:

High Desert Government Center  
Land Use Services – Planning Division  
15900 Smoke Tree Street, Suite 131  
Hesperia, CA 92345

San Bernardino Government Center  
Land Use Services – Planning Division  
385 N. Arrowhead Avenue, 1st Floor  
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0187

The comment period on the IS/MND begins on March 11, 2025, and closes on April 10, 2025.

Please submit comments to [Delanie.garlick@weareharris.com](mailto:Delanie.garlick@weareharris.com) or to:

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