

**NOTICE OF COMPLETION
OF DRAFT INITIAL STUDY – MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR
230th STREET SOLAR PROJECT
PROJECT NO. PRJ2023-002405-(5)
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. RPPL2023005137
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. RPPL2023005138
STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER [REDACTED]**

LA County Planning, acting in the capacity of "Lead Agency" under the County Environmental Guidelines, Chapter III, Section 304, has filed a "Notice of Completion" of a Draft Initial Study – Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS-MND) for the Project. This document has been prepared in accordance with, and pursuant to, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended; Public Resources Code, Section 21000 *et seq.*; and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (State CEQA Guidelines), California Code of Regulation, Title 14, Chapter 15000 *et seq.*, (including Section 15160).

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

The formal public review period for the IS-MND will be from **May 9, 2025 to June 9, 2025** (30 days). All comments received or postmarked by the closing of the public review period will be considered by the Lead Agency in accordance with State and County environmental guidelines.

SITE LOCATION

49560 230th Street West, Lancaster, CA 93536
APN 3278-025-001, within the Antelope Valley Planning Area (unincorporated)
(Southeast intersection of 230th Street West and West Avenue C-8)



PROPOSED PROJECT

The applicant, RPCA Solar 12, LLC, requests a Conditional Use Permit to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of a 4.99-megawatt utility-scale photovoltaic ground-mounted solar energy facility and up to 4.99 megawatt of energy storage capacity on approximately 31 acres of a

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40-acre site in the A-2-2 (Heavy Agricultural – Two Acre Minimum Required Lot Area) Zone. The project consists of solar panels mounted on a vertical system, underground transmission lines connecting to an existing electrical distribution system, perimeter fencing and landscaped buffer, and a total grading of 3,600 cubic yards.

Solar panels will be mounted on either fixed-tilt or tracking systems with a pile-driven foundation design. The facility's power output will be transmitted via an existing electrical distribution system owned by Southern California Edison located southwest of and adjacent to the Project Site along 230th Street West. A six (6)-foot-tall wildlife-permeable fence topped with a one-foot barbed wire will surround the Project perimeter. A 10-foot-wide landscaped buffer will be provided along 230th Street West and the fences adjacent to the existing single-family residence at the southwestern corner. Estimated water use is approximately 13 acre-feet for construction and 0.2 acre-feet annually for post-construction operation.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The following areas were found to be less than significant with Project mitigation:

- Air Quality
- Biological Resources,
- Cultural Resources, and
- Tribal Cultural Resources.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing on the proposed project and the IS-MND will be scheduled before the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission at a time and date to be determined in the Regional Planning Commission Hearing Room (1st Floor, Room 150), 320 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:

The IS-MND can be viewed or downloaded at the following website:

<https://bit.ly/4m1Pcjb>

Additionally, hardcopy and/or digital copies of the document are also available for review at the following locations during regular business hours:

County of Los Angeles Building and Safety Antelope Valley Field Office
335 E Avenue K-6 #A, Lancaster, CA 93535

Written comments can be received or postmarked on or before **June 9, 2025** via email or by mail to:

Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning
320 W. Temple Street, 13th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Attn: North County Section (Soyeon Choi), re: 230th Street Solar

Via email to schoi@planning.lacounty.gov (**Preferred Method**)

Should you have any questions, please call (213) 893-7021.