

# Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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**SCH #** 2017111079

**Project Title:** EIR JKM 07-17; Edwards Air Force Base Solar Project by Edwards AFB Solar, LLC.

Lead Agency: Kern County Planning Department Contact Person: Janice Mayes  
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 City: Bakersfield Zip: 93301-2323 County: Kern

**Project Location:** County: Kern City/Nearest Community: Rosamond, City of Mojave  
 Cross Streets: Trotter Avenue and Lone Butte Road Zip Code: N/A

Lat. / Long.: 34° 58' 0" N / 118° 8' 27" W Total Acres: 6,000  
 Assessor's Parcel No.: Edwards AFB -Multiple Section: Multiple Twn: 10 & 11N Range: 11;12; & 13W Base: SBB&M  
 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR 14 Waterways: N/A  
 Airports: N/A Railways: N/A Schools: N/A

**Document Type:**

CEQA:  NOP  Draft EIR NEPA:  NOI Other:  Joint Document  
 Early Cons  Supplement/Subsequent EIR  EA  Final Document  
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.)  Draft EIS  Other  
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**Local Action Type:**

General Plan Update  Specific Plan  Rezone  Annexation  
 General Plan Amendment  Master Plan  Prezone  Redevelopment  
 General Plan Element  Planned Unit Development  Use Permit  Coastal Permit  
 Community Plan  Site Plan  Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)  Other Franchise Agrmnt

**Development Type:**

Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_  Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Transportation: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commercial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres 4,000 Employees 10 perm.  Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_  
 Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Power: Type Solar PV MW up to 750  
 Educational \_\_\_\_\_  Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recreational \_\_\_\_\_  Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

Aesthetic/Visual  Fiscal  Recreation/Parks  Vegetation  
 Agricultural Land  Flood Plain/Flooding  Schools/Universities  Water Quality  
 Air Quality  Forest Land/Fire Hazard  Septic Systems  Water Supply/Groundwater  
 Archeological/Historical  Geologic/Seismic  Sewer Capacity  Wetland/Riparian  
 Biological Resources  Minerals  Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading  Wildlife  
 Coastal Zone  Noise  Solid Waste  Growth Inducing  
 Drainage/Absorption  Population/Housing Balance  Toxic/Hazardous  Land Use  
 Economic/Jobs  Public Services/Facilities  Traffic/Circulation  Cumulative Effects  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Undeveloped EAFB Land. Zoning: A-1 (Limited Agriculture); Kern County General Plan: 1.1 (State and Federal Land); Franchise Agreement land: Multiple zoning and designations within multiple general and specific plans

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary) The project proponent is requesting: (a) Franchise Agreement for installation of the proposed generation-tie line within the Kern County right-of-way, which would support the Edwards AFB approximately 750 MW solar facility on up to 4,000 acres of Edwards Air Force Base owned non-excess lands. The project would be supported by a 230-kV overhead/underground transmission corridor. The transmission line would generally be aligned from the north/south and then east/west where it ultimately would be connected to the existing privately-owned Westwind Substation in the first phase of the project and then to the SCE Whirlwind Substation in subsequent phases of the project. The project's permanent facilities would include up to 2 million solar panels, service roads, security fencing, a power collection system, battery storage, communication cables, overhead and underground transmission lines, electrical switchyards, a substation, and an operations and maintenance facility.

Reviewing Agencies Checklist

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| <u>S</u> Air Resources Board                     | _____ Office of Emergency Services                         |
| _____ Boating & Waterways, Department of         | _____ Office of Historic Preservation                      |
| _____ California Highway Patrol                  | _____ Office of Public School Construction                 |
| _____ CalFire                                    | _____ Parks & Recreation                                   |
| _____ Caltrans District # <u>6 &amp; 9</u>       | _____ Pesticide Regulation, Department of                  |
| _____ Caltrans Division of Aeronautics           | _____ Public Utilities Commission                          |
| _____ Caltrans Planning (Headquarters)           | <u>S</u> Regional WQCB # <u>Lahontan</u>                   |
| _____ Central Valley Flood Protection Board      | _____ Resources Agency                                     |
| _____ Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy     | _____ S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Commission       |
| _____ Coastal Commission                         | _____ San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers and Mtns Conservancy |
| _____ Colorado River Board                       | _____ San Joaquin River Conservancy                        |
| <u>S</u> Conservation, Department of Oil and Gas | _____ Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy                   |
| _____ Corrections, Department of                 | _____ State Lands Commission                               |
| _____ Delta Protection Commission                | _____ SWRCB: Clean Water Grants                            |
| _____ Education, Department of                   | _____ SWRCB: Water Quality                                 |
| _____ Energy Commission                          | _____ SWRCB: Water Rights                                  |
| _____ Fish & Game Region # <u>Fresno</u>         | _____ Tahoe Regional Planning Agency                       |
| _____ Food & Agriculture, Department of          | _____ Toxic Substances Control, Department of              |
| _____ General Services, Department of            | _____ Water Resources, Department of                       |
| _____ Health Services, Department of             | _____ Other <u>CA Public Health</u>                        |
| _____ Housing & Community Development            | _____ Other _____  |
| _____ Integrated Waste Management Board          |  |
| _____ Native American Heritage Commission (KC)   |  |

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**Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)**

Starting Date January 24, 2020 Ending Date February 6, 2020

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**Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):**

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**Signature of Lead Agency Representative:** /S/ **Date:** 1/24/2020

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.