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Mail to: State Clearinghouse, P. O. Box 3044, Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 (916) 445-0613 SCH# 2019060259 For Hand Delivery/Street Address: 1400 Tenth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 Project Title: Sanborn Solar Project by Sanborn Solar, LLC Lead Agency: Kern County Planning Department Contact Person: Ronelle Candia Mailing Address: 2700 "M" Street Suite 100 Phone: (661) 862-8997 City: Bakersfield Zip: 93301-2323 County: Kern City/Nearest Community: Mojave Project Location: County: Cross Streets: SR 14 and Silver Queen Road and 58 (Business) and Lone Butte Road Zip Code: 93501 Lat. / Long.: 35° 2'51.9072 N / 118° 10'17.7060W Total Acres: 2.006 Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple Section: Multiple Twp.: Multiple Range: Multiple Base: SBB&M Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR 14 and 58 (Business) Waterways: N/A Airports: Mojave Air and Space Port Railways: BNSF Schools: Mojave High School **Document Type:** ☐ Draft EIR CEOA: \square NOP NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ Joint Document Other: Supplement/Subsequent EIR ☐ Early Cons ☐ EA Final Document Draft EIS of Planning & ResearOther ☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Mit Neg Dec Other Final EIR MAY 0 1 2020 **Local Action Type:** Rezone Prezone TATE CLEARINGH Amnexation Redevelopment General Plan Update Specific Plan General Plan Amendment Master Plan Planned Unit Development General Plan Element Use Permit Coastal Permit Community Plan ☐ Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other **Development Type:** Residential: Units Acres ☐ Water Facilities: Type **Employees** ☐ Transportation: Office: Type Commercial: Sq.ft. Employees Mining: Mineral Power: Type Solar MW 300 Industrial: **Employees** Educational Waste Treatment: Type MGD ☐ Hazardous Waste: Type ☐ Recreational Other: 300 GWh of Energy Storage **Project Issues Discussed in Document:** Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks ✓ Vegetation ☐ Flood Plain/Flooding Water Quality Agricultural Land ☐ Schools/Universities ₩ Water Supply/Groundwater Air Quality ▼ Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems ☐ Sewer Capacity ☐ Geologic/Seismic ☐ Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading **⋈** Wildlife ☐ Coastal Zone Noise Noise Solid Waste Growth Inducing ▼ Toxic/Hazardous ☑ Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance ■ Land Use ☐ Economic/Jobs ▼ Traffic/Circulation □ Public Services/Facilities Other Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation: Undeveloped Land. Zoning: A (Exclusive Agriculture), A-1 (Limited Agriculture), A-1 H (Limited Agriculture - Airport Approach Height Combining); A-1 FPS (Limited Agriculture - Floodplain Secondary Combining); Mojave Specific Plan: 8.5 (Resource Management - Minimum 20 Acre Size); and

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Project Description: See Attached.

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: /s/ Date: 5/1/2020

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

Project Description: Sanborn Solar Project, by Sanborn Solar, LLC (project proponent), is requesting the land use entitlements necessary to facilitate the construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic power generating facility and associated facilities that would generate a combined total of approximately 300 megawatts (MW) of renewable electrical energy and up to 3GWh of energy storage capacity on approximately 2,006 acres of privately-owned land in unincorporated Kern County. Implementation of the project as proposed would include: (a) Three (3) Zone Change Cases (ZCC) from the existing Zone District A-1 (Limited Agriculture) to A (Exclusive Agriculture) and from the existing Zone District A-1 H (Limited Agriculture -Airport Approach Height Combining) to A H (Exclusive Agriculture -Airport Approach Height Combining) for approximately 461 acres (ZCC No. 56, Map No. 196); from the existing Zone District A-1 to A for approximately 645 acres (ZCC No. 2, Map No. 212); and from the existing Zone District A-1 to A and from A-1 FPS (Limited Agriculture - Flood Plain Secondary Combining) to A FPS (Exclusive Agriculture - Flood Plain Secondary Combining) for approximately 320 acres (ZCC No. 59, Map No. 213); (b) Three (3) Conditional Use Permits (CUP), to allow for the construction and operation of a 300 MW solar photovoltaic electrical generating facility with up to 3GWh of energy storage (Section 19.12.030.G) in an A District (CUP No. 45, Map No. 196; CUP No. 5, Map No. 212; and CUP No. 66, Map No. 213); and (c) Amendment to the Mojave Specific Plan to remove a portion of the designated, but not constructed, arterial roadway of Purdy Avenue from United Street to Fifth Street (Specific Plan Amendment No. 30, Map 196). The project's permanent facilities would include service roads, overhead and underground transmission lines, a step-up conversion station, solar arrays, project substations, energy storage facilities, telecommunication equipment, perimeter security fencing, operations and maintenance facilities, and gen-tie lines.