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Project Title: BigBeau Solar Project by BigBeau Solar, LLC/EDF Renewables Development, Inc.

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City: Bakersfield Zip: 93301-2323 County: Kern

Project Location: County: Kern City/Nearest Community: Rosamond, Mojave
Cross Streets: West on Rosamond Boulevard, north on 140th Street West, and east on either Avenue of the Stars Zip Code: 93560
Lat. / Long.: 34° 54' 16" N / 118° 23' 8" W Total Acres: 2,285
Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple Section: Multiple Twp.: Multiple Range: Multiple Base: SBB&M
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: SR-14 - 12 miles east Waterways: Los Angeles Aqueduct
Airports: N/A Railways: N/A Schools: N/A

Document Type:

CEQA: [] NOP [x] 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 [x] Specific Plan [x] Rezone [] Annexation
[x] General Plan Amendment [] Master Plan [] Prezone [x] Redevelopment
[] General Plan Element [] Planned Unit Development [x] Use Permit [] Coastal Permit
[] Community Plan [] Site Plan [] Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) [x] Other

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Development Type:

[] Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ [] Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____
[] Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ [] Transportation: Type _____
[] Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ [] Mining: Mineral _____
[] Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ [x] Power: Type Solar PV MW 128 MW
[] Educational _____ [] Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
[] Recreational _____ [] Hazardous Waste: Type _____
[] Other: _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

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

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Scattered Single-family homes. Zoning: A (Exclusive Agriculture); A FP (A, Floodplain Combining); A FPS (A, Floodplain Secondary); A WE (A, Wind Energy) E-20 RS FPS (Estate 20 acres, Residential Suburban, Floodplain Secondary); PL RS FPS (Platted Lands, Residential Suburban, Floodplain Secondary); Kern County General Plan: 4.1 (Specific Plan - Willow Springs); 8.3 (Extensive Ag, 20 acre min); 8.5 (Resource Management, Minimum 20 Acre Size); 8.3 /2.5 (Flood Hazard); 8.5/2.5 (Flood Hazard); Willow Springs Specific Plan: 5.7 (Minimum 5 Gross Acres/Unit); 5.75 (Minimum 10 Gross Acres/Unit); 5.8 (Minimum 20 Gross Acres/Unit)

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary) BigBeau Solar, LLC by EDF Renewables (project proponent), is a proposed photovoltaic electrical generating facility with capacity to generate up to 128 megawatt hours (MW) of renewable electrical energy and store up to 60 MW energy in a Battery Storage System (BESS). The proposed project is situated on approximately 2,185 acres of privately owned land and 160 acres of land owned by the California State Lands Commission. Implementation of the project as proposed would include: (a) Two (2) Zoning Classification Changes (ZCC) from the existing Zone District PLS RS FPS (Platted Lands-Residential Suburban Combining-Floodplain Secondary Combining) to A FPS (Exclusive Agriculture-Floodplain Secondary Combining) on 66 acres (ZCC 13, Map 215) and from the existing zoning district E (10) RS FPS (Estate) to A FPS on 456.9 acres, E (10) RS GH FPS (Geological Hazard Combining) to A GH FPS on 2.7, E (10) RS MH FPS (Mobilehome Combining) to A FPS on 10.1 acres, E (2 1/2) RS FPS to A FPS on 110.9 acres, E (20) RS FPS to A FPS on 630.8 acres, E (20) RS GH FPS to A GH FPS on 9.6 acres, E (5) RS FPS to A FPS on 80.6 acres (ZCC 44, Map 232); (b) two (2) Conditional Use Permits, each to allow for the construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic electrical generating facility (Section 19.12.030.G) in an A District (CUP 13, Map 215; CUP 41, Map 232); (c) two (2) Conditional Use Permits, each to allow for the construction and operation of a communication tower (Section 19.12.030.F) in an A District (CUP 14, 215; CUP 42, Map 232); (d) two (2) Conditional Use Permits, each to allow for the construction and operation

of a concrete batch plant (Section 19.12.030.G) in an A District (CUP 15, Map 215; CUP 43, Map 232); (e) Amendment to the Circulation Element of the Kern County General Plan to remove sections and midsection line road reservations, as follow: the east half of the Section line between Section 27, T10N, R14W and Section 34, T10N, R14W; the Section line between Section 34, T10N, R14W and Section 3, T9N, R14W; the south half of the Section line between Section 34, T10N, R14W and Section 35, T10N, R14W; the Section line between Section 35, T10N, R14W and Section 2, T9N, R14W; the south half of the north-south mid-section line Section 35, T10N, R14W (General Plan Amendment 4, Map 215); (f) Amendment to the Willow Spring Specific Plan to remove sections and midsection line road reservations, as follow: the Section line between Section 4, T9N, R14W and Section 3, T9N, R14W; the north half of the Section line between Section 9, T9N, R14W and Section 10, T9N and R14W; the north half of the north half of the north-south mid-section line of Section 3, T9N, R14W; the north half of the of the north-south mid-section line of Section 10, T9N, R14W; the north half of the north half of the Section line between Section 3, T9N, R14W and Section 2, T9N, R14W; the north half of the north-south mid-section line of Section 2, T9N, R14W (Specific Plan Amendment 32, Map 232); and (g) vacation of existing public easements on the project site. The project's permanent facilities would include service roads, a communication tower, communication cables, overhead and underground transmission lines, an electrical switching station, project substations, operations and maintenance facilities, and gen-tie lines on the project site. The project would be supported by a 220-kV overhead transmission corridor. The project's permanent facilities would include, PV panels, BESS, fencing, a meteorological station, microwave/communication tower, service roads, a power collection system, communication cables, overhead and underground transmission lines, electrical switchyards, project substations, and operations and maintenance facilities.

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Starting Date January 28, 2020 Ending Date March 13, 2020

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative: _____ /s/ _____ **Date:** 1/28/2020