



County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING
STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FRESNO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

A public hearing will be held on **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT NO. 7230** on the **SCARLET SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT** for **UNCLASSIFIED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATIONS NO. 3555** filed by **RE Scarlet, LLC**, a wholly owned subsidiary of **EDP Renewables North America LLC**, proposing to:

Allow the construction, operation, maintenance and ultimate decommissioning of a 400-megawatt (MW) solar photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating facility and 400 MW energy storage system and associated infrastructure to be known as the Scarlet Solar Energy Project on approximately 4,089 acres in unincorporated western Fresno County. It would provide solar power to utility customers by interconnecting to the regional electricity grid at Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) Tranquillity Switching Station. The Project consists of two major components: the solar facility and the PG&E improvements. The solar facility would include solar PV modules, support structures, electrical inverters, intermediate voltage transformers, two electrical substations, and a switchyard, and a generation intertie (gen-tie) transmission line. Improvements to PG&E electrical infrastructure would include expansion of PG&E's Tranquillity Switching Station and approximately 1,900 feet of 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line to connect the solar facility's 230 kV gen-tie line to the Tranquillity Switching Station.

The project site is in unincorporated Fresno County, approximately 3.5 miles west-southwest of the community of Tranquillity and approximately 6.5 miles east of Interstate 5 (I-5). The Project site is northeast of and adjacent to the Great Valley Solar Facility (previously the Tranquillity Solar Facility) and would encompass up to 33 parcels with a total of 4,089 acres is located generally south of West South Avenue, north of West Dinuba Avenue, east of Ohio Avenue and State Route 33 (SR 33, South Derrick Avenue), and west of South San Mateo Avenue.). (Sup. Dist. 1) (APNs: 028-071-34, 028-071-39, 028-071-40, 028-071-41, 028-071-43, 028-071-44, 028-071-45, 028-071-47, 028-071-48, 028-071-49, 028-081-66, 028-111-01, 028-111-02, 028-111-04, 028-111-06, 028-111-07, 028-111-09, 028-111-10, 028-111-12, 028-111-13, 028-111-14, 028-111-15, 028-111-16, 028-111-17, 028-111-19, 028-111-20, 028-121-61, 028-120-62, 028-100-74, 028-100-72, 028-100-82, 028-100-81, 028-101-75S).

Certify the Environmental Impact Report, adopt the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and take action on Unclassified Conditional Use Permit Applications No. 3555 with Findings and Conditions.

The Planning Commission hearing will be at **8:45 a.m.** on **September 9, 2021** (or as soon thereafter as possible) in Room 301, Hall of Records, 2281 Tulare Street (Tulare & "M" Streets), Fresno, CA.

The Agenda and Staff Reports will be on the Fresno County web site
<http://www.co.fresno.ca.us/PlanningCommission>
by Saturday, September 4, 2021, 6:00 a.m.

*** SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DUE TO COVID-19 ***

Due to the current Shelter-in-Place Order covering the State of California and Social Distance Guidelines issued by Federal, State, and Local Authorities, the County is implementing the following changes for attendance and public comment at all Planning Commission meetings until notified otherwise. The Board chambers will be open to the public. Any member of the Planning Commission may participate from a remote location by teleconference pursuant to Governor Gavin Newsom's executive Order N-25-20. Instructions about how to participate in the meeting will be posted to: <https://www.co.fresno.ca.us/planningcommission> 72 hours prior to the meeting date.

- *The meeting will be broadcast. You are strongly encouraged to listen to the Planning Commission meeting at: <http://www.co.fresno.ca.us/PlanningCommission>.*
- *If you attend the Planning Commission meeting in person, you will be required to maintain appropriate social distancing, i.e., maintain a 6-foot distance between yourself and other individuals. Due to Shelter-in-Place requirements, the number of people in the Board chambers will be limited. Members of the public who wish to make public comments will be allowed in on a rotating basis.*
- *If you choose not to attend the Planning Commission meeting but desire to make general public comment on a specific item on the agenda, you may do so as follows:*

Written Comments

- *Members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments to: Planningcommissioncomments@fresnocountyca.gov. Comments should be submitted as soon as possible, but not later than 8:30am (15 minutes before the start of the meeting). You will need to provide the following information:*
 - *Planning Commission Date*
 - *Item Number*
 - *Comments*
- *Please submit a separate email for each item you are commenting on.*
- *Please be aware that public comments received that do not specify a particular agenda item will be made part of the record of proceedings as a general public comment.*
- *If a written comment is received after the start of the meeting, it will be made part of the record of proceedings, provided that such comments are received prior to the end of the Planning Commission meeting.*
- *Written comments will be provided to the Planning Commission. Comments received during the meeting may not be distributed to the Planning Commission until after the meeting has concluded.*
- *If the agenda item involves a quasi-judicial matter or other matter that includes members of the public as parties to a hearing, those parties should make arrangements with the Planning Commission Clerk to provide any written materials or presentation in advance of the meeting date so that the materials may be presented to the Planning Commission for consideration. Arrangements should be made by contacting the Planning Commission Clerk at (559) 600-4230.*

PROGRAM ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCOMMODATIONS: The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II covers the programs, services, activities and facilities owned or operated by state and local governments like the County of Fresno ("County"). Further, the County promotes equality of opportunity and full participation by all persons, including persons with disabilities. Towards this end, the County works to ensure that it provides meaningful access to people with disabilities to every program, service, benefit, and activity, when viewed in its entirety. Similarly, the County also works to ensure that its operated or owned facilities that are open to the public provide meaningful access to people with disabilities.

To help ensure this meaningful access, the County will reasonably modify policies/ procedures and provide auxiliary aids/services to persons with disabilities. If, as an attendee or participant at the meeting, you need additional accommodations such as an American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter, an assistive listening device, large print material, electronic materials, Braille materials, or taped materials, please contact the Current Planning staff as soon as possible during office hours at (559) 600-4497 or at jmoreno@fresnocountyca.gov. Reasonable requests made at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting will help to ensure accessibility to this meeting. Later requests will be accommodated to the extent reasonably feasible.

For more information contact **Ejaz Ahmad**, Department of Public Works and Planning, 2220 Tulare Street (corner of Tulare & "M" Streets, Suite A), Fresno, CA 93721, telephone **(559) 600-4204**, email eahmad@fresnocountyca.gov.

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NOTES:

- Anyone may testify; please share this notice with your neighbors or anyone you feel may be interested.
- The Planning Commission will also accept written testimony such as letters, petitions, and statements. In order to provide adequate review time for the Planning Commission, please submit these documents to the Department prior to the hearing date.
- If at some later date you challenge the final action on this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Location Map on Reverse

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Figure 1 – Regional Location Map

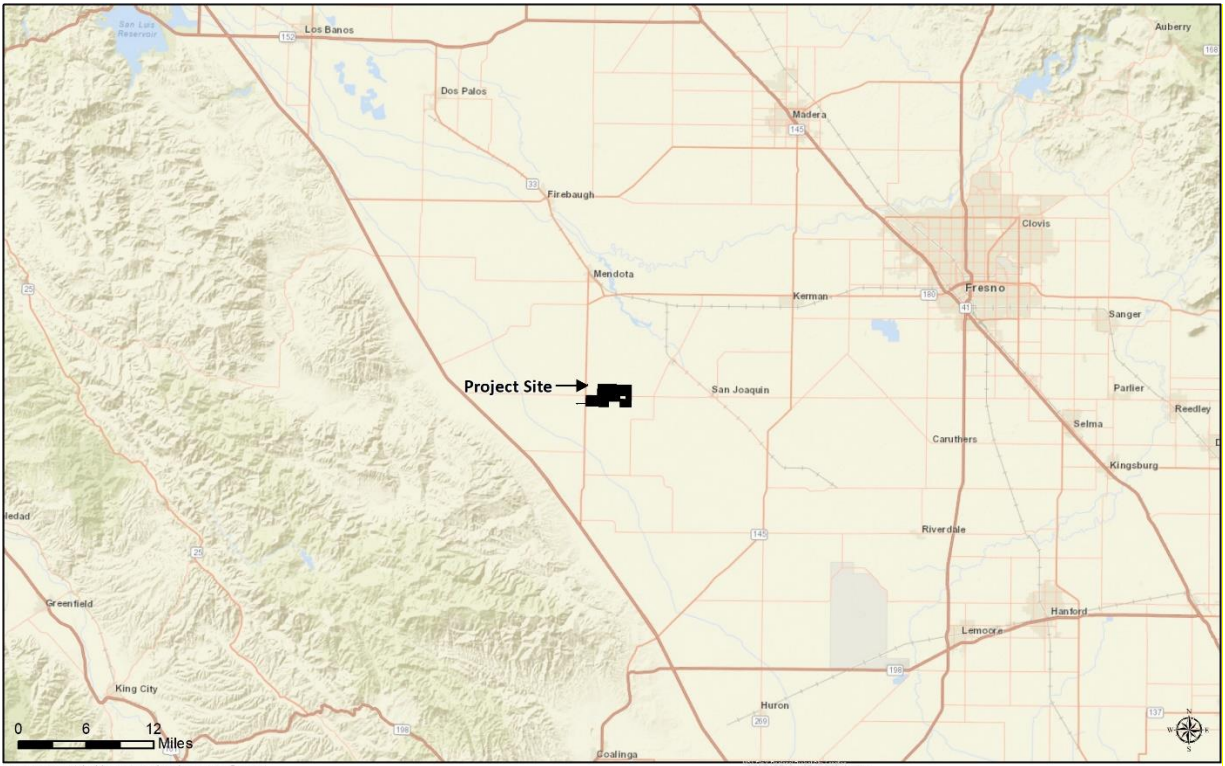


Figure 2 – Project Vicinity Map

