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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVAL ON THE GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR THE WISTER SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY PROJECT TO CHANGE THE GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION "GEOTHERMAL OVERLAY" TO RENEWABLE ENERGY OVERLAY ZONE" GENERAL PLAN CHANGE NO. 19-0001)

WHEREAS, the applicant Wister Solar Energy Facility filed a request for a General Plan Amendment GPA #19-0001 for the proposed project to change the land use designation from Geothermal Overlay to Renewable Energy Overlay Zone; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Imperial has been delegated with the responsibility of approval on General Plan Amendments; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan Amendment (GPA 19-0001) has been provided in a timely manner to public agencies; and

WHEREAS, timely public notice of the Board of Supervisors hearing on the Project application has been given, and the Board of Supervisors has considered evidence presented by the Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department and other interested parties at that public hearing held with respect to this item on January ___, 2021, and

WHEREAS, the General Plan Amendment includes analysis for the inclusion and revision to the Land Use Designation change from Geothermal Overlay to Renewable Energy Overlay Zone; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Imperial **DOES HEREBY RESOLVE** as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board of Supervisors independently has reviewed and considered the proposed General Plan Amendment GPA #19-0001 prior to making a decision to approve this General Plan Amendment.

SECTION 2. That in accordance with, CEQA, State Planning and Zoning law and the County of Imperial Land Use Ordinance, the following findings for the recommendation for approval and certification of the General Plan Amendment (GPA) #19-0001 have been made as follows:

- That the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) SCH# 2019110140, CEQA Findings for Wister Solar Energy Facility ("Project") have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, the State CEQA Guidelines, and the County's Rules to Implement CEQA, as amended, and such findings are incorporated by reference herein
- 2. That the County independently has reviewed, analyzed, and considered the Final Environmental Impact, the environmental impacts therein identified for this Project,

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the Findings, and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, prior to

recommending approval of this project.

3. The General Plan Amendment (map and text revision) for the Wister Solar Energy Facility project is consistent with the Imperial County General Plan's Land Use project is not located in a sensitive areas, the project will not create significant environmental impacts.

4. The project area is mostly flat outside of earthquake fault zones and is physically

suitable for the proposed project.

- 5. The General Plan Amendment is not likely to cause substantial environmental damage or substantially and avoidably injure fish or wildlife or their habitat. Surveys have been accomplished for biological and fish and impacts are less than significant with required mitigation.
- 6. The development and improvements are not likely to cause serious health problems.

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the above findings, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Imperial **DOES HEREBY APPROVE** General Plan Amendment (GPA) #19-0001, for the Wister Solar Energy Facility ("Project").

Luis A. Plancarte, Chair Imperial County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that the preceding meeting conducted on January	resolution was taken by the , 2021 by the following vote:	Board of Supervisors at a
AYES:		

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

Blanca Acosta, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors