

Imperial County Planning & Development Services Planning / Building

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NOTICE OF INTENT

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NOTICE OF INTENT IS HERBY GIVEN for the preparation of a □ Negative Declaration ☒ Mitigated Negative Declaration □ Environmental Impact Report for Valencia 3 pursuant to the *California Environmental Quality Act* and the County of Imperial's *Rules and Regulations to Implement California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as amended.*

LEAD AGENCY: Imperial County Planning & Development Services Department (ICPDS)

APPLICANT: IGS

1. **PROJECT LOCATION:** 20 West Harris Road, Imperial, CA (in the south end of the Mesquite Lake Specific Plan Area); legally described as Tract 265, Township 14 South, Range 14 East, San Bernardino Base and Meridian; further identified with Assessor's Parcel Number 040-360-034-000.

The project site □ is ☒ is not listed on any list under Government Code Section 65962.5.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: IGS SOLAR LLC is proposing to develop the Valencia 3 Solar Project (Project), a nominal 3 megawatt alternating current (MWAC) solar photovoltaic (PV) energy generation project, on a portion of about 19 acres of land in Imperial County, California. A new transmission will be built along the south side of Harris Road for approx. 1 mile to an existing IID 12.47 kV line. At this location, an upgrade to this existing 12.47kV single phase transmission line to a 3 phase transmission line will be done along Harris Road to an IID connection near the Union Pacific Railroad tracks at Harris Road. Upgraded line is approx. ½ mile in length.

PUBLIC HEARING: An Imperial County Planning Commission public hearing will be conducted at a date to be determined at 9:00 am, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 940 Main Street, El Centro, California, to consider the adoption of the environmental document.

COMMENT PERIOD: August 18, 2020 thru September 17, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Comments will be accepted for the proposed project during this period. You may submit comments by mail, fax or email at davidblack@co.imperial.ca.us. Only comments submitted during the specified period will be considered unless otherwise allowed under CEQA.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: All required documents for the project are available at the ICPDS office located at 801 Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 during normal working hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Sincerely.

Jim Minnick, Director

Planning & Development Services

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Cover Sheet Assessment Form (County of Imperial)

Initial Stud	dy # 19-0022	Date:08/18/20					
Project type/name:CUP_#20-0004							
Applicant's name: IGS							
Applicant's address: 6100 Emerald Parkway, Dublin, OH 43016							
Name of person preparing Initial Study: David Black, Planner IV							
Signature of person preparing Initial Study:							
I. Project Information							
a.	Assessor's Parcel Number:	040-360-034					
b.	Street address:	20 West Harris	Road				
c.	Cross street:	Dogwood Road					
d.	Township/Section/Range:	T 14 SOUTH R	14 EAST TR 265 SBBM				
e.	Project area (acres) □:	19 acres					
II. <u>Ge</u>	eneral Plan Consistency						
a.	General Plan Designation.		Mesquite Lake Specific Plan				
b.	Is Project in an Urban area?		No				
C.	Name of Urban area.		N/A				
d.	Is Project within an adopted Specific Plan area?		yes				
e.	Name of Specific Plan area.		Mesquite Lake				
f.	Existing zoning.		ML 1-3 Heavy Industrial				
g.	Proposed zoning, if any.		N/A				
h.	Adjacent zoning.		A-2 (General Agriculture)				

i.	Is proposal consistent with the site's existing or proposed zoning?	Yes	r.
J.	Is proposal compatible with existing or surrounding zoning or can it be made compatible?		
		Yes	e.
k.	Is the proposal consistent with a Specific Plan for the area?	yes	e
Ĩ.	Is the proposal compatible with existing plans and planned surrounding land uses or can it be made compatible?	Yes	
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m.	Is the proposal consistent with the land use designation and policies of the 1993 General Plan?		
		Yes	i e
Comment	<u>s</u> : (if any)		