Appendix N

Tribal Cultural Resources Documentation

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Mark Wardlaw Director

April 23, 2024

Kern Valley Indian Community Robert Robinson, Chairperson P.O. Box 1010 Lake Isabella, CA 93240

RE: Notice of Opportunity to Consult AB-52 Consultation; Sunrise Road Solar Project, Twenty Mule Team Road, Boron, California; Project No. PROJ-2023-00169

Chairperson Robinson:

The Land Use Services Department recently initiated the environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the aforementioned project. A project regional map, along with a vicinity map, and a cultural resources identification report is enclosed for your review.

The proposed project is the development of a single-axis tracker ground-mounted photovoltaic community solar and battery energy storage system (BESS) with approximately 14 megawatts of alternating current in capacity. As such, the applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit approval from the County of San Bernardino (County). You are being consulted by the County to identify tribal cultural resources in the project area that may have religious and cultural significance to your tribe, and if such properties exist, to help assess how the Project might affect them.

As shown in Figure 1: Regional Vicinity Map, the Project Site is located along the western boundary of San Bernardino County and is approximately 0.25 mile east of the census-designated place of Boron in Kern County. The Project would occupy approximately 59 acres across two 40-acre parcels (County Assessor Parcel Numbers 0498-111-04 and 0498-111-05) generally located at Twenty Mule Team Road (Project Site). As shown in Figure 2: Local Vicinity Map, the Project Site is bordered by North San Bernardino Boulevard to the west and undeveloped open space to the north, east, and south.

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Kern Valley Indian Community Ms. Julie Turner, Secretary P.O. Box 1010 Lake Isabella, CA 93240

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Kern Valley Indian Community Ms. Brandy Kendricks 30741 Foxridge Court Tehachapi, CA 93561

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Morongo Band of Mission Indians Mr. Robert Martin, Chairperson 12700 Pumarra Road Banning, CA 92220

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Quechan Tribe of Fort Yuma Reservation Mr. Jordan Joaquin, President Quechan Tribal Council P.O. Box 1899 Yuma, AZ 85366

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Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Reservation Ms. Jill McCormick, Historic Preservation Officer P.O. Box 1899 Yuma, AZ 85366

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San Fernando Band of Mission Indians Ms. Donna Yocum, Chairperson P.O. Box 221838 Newhall, CA 91322

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San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Ms. Alexandra McCleary, Cultural Lands Manager 26569 Community Center Drive Highland, CA 92346

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Mark Wardlaw Director

April 23, 2024

Serrano Nation of Mission Indians Mr. Mark Cochrane, Co-Chairperson P.O. Box 343 Patton, CA 92369

RE: Notice of Opportunity to Consult AB-52 Consultation; Sunrise Road Solar Project, Twenty Mule Team Road, Boron, California; Project No. PROJ-2023-00169

Chairperson Cochrane:

The Land Use Services Department recently initiated the environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the aforementioned project. A project regional map, along with a vicinity map, and a cultural resources identification report is enclosed for your review.

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Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians Mr. Darrell Mike, Chairperson 46-200 Harrison Place Coachella, CA 92236

RE: Notice of Opportunity to Consult AB-52 Consultation; Sunrise Road Solar Project, Twenty Mule Team Road, Boron, California; Project No. PROJ-2023-00169

Chairperson Mike:

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Mr. Madrigal:

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