



## Land Use Services Department Planning

Tom Hudson Director

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Raymond Huaute
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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Robert Martin Tribal Chairman Morongo Band of Mission Indians 12700 Pumarra Road Banning, CA 92220

RE: Notice of Opportunity to Consult for the EDF Renewable Energy dba Longboat Solar, LLC project in San Bernardino County (Project Number P201400516)

Dear Messrs. Huaute and Martin:

On March 11, 2015, Land Use Services initiated environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the EDF Renewable Energy dba Longboat Solar, LLC project. The subject entity is proposing to establish a 20 megawatt photovoltaic solar energy generating facility on approximately 233 acres of 4 parcels totaling 325 acres, specifically located on both sides of Community Boulevard, west of State Highway 58 in Barstow. A project location map and a project description are enclosed for your information.

In accordance with Assembly Bill 52 (AB 52), which added various provisions to the California Public Resources Code (PRC) that concern Tribal Cultural Resources, including Section 21080.3.1(d), we are responding to your request to be notified of projects in the geographic area that is traditionally and culturally affiliated with your Tribe and that will be reviewed by this entity under CEQA. Your name was provided to us as the point of contact for your Tribe. We are hereby notifying you of an opportunity to consult with us regarding the potential for this project to impact Tribal Cultural Resources, as defined in Section 21074 of the PRC. The purposes of tribal consultation under AB 52 are to determine, as part of the CEQA review process, whether or not Tribal Cultural Resources are present within the project area, and if so, whether or not those resources will be significantly impacted by the project. If Tribal Cultural Resources may be significantly impacted, then consultation will also help to determine the most appropriate way to avoid or mitigate those impacts.

In accordance with Section 21080.3.1(d) of the PRC, you have 30 days from the receipt of this letter to request consultation in writing for this project. Please send your written request to San Bernardino County Land Use Services Department, Attn: Tracy Creason or John Oquendo, 15900 Smoke Tree Street, Hesperia, CA 92345 or by email to <a href="mailto:Tracy.Creason@lus.sbcounty.gov">Tracy.Creason@lus.sbcounty.gov</a> or <a href="mailto:John.Oquendo@lus.sbcounty.gov">John.Oquendo@lus.sbcounty.gov</a>. In your request, please reference the project name and number as indicated above. If we do not receive a request for consultation within 30 days of your receipt of this letter, we will proceed forward in the CEQA review process without consultation. Thank you and we look forward to your response.

Respectfully

Tracy Creason, Senior Planner

Enclosures: Project Notice - Location and Description

cc: Project File

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Daniel F. McCarthy MS, RPA, Director CRM Department San Manuel Band of Mission Indians 26569 Community Center Drive Highland, CA 92346

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We have included, for your reference, a Project Notice, which includes the project description and location, as well as a USGS 7.5' topographic map. We have also included the public version of the Cultural and Paleontological Resources Assessment and the Supplemental Cultural Resources Survey prepared for the proposed project by Cogstone in January and May 2015, respectively.

Respectfully

Tracy Creason, Senior Planner

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