

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY
OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

A **Final Environmental Impact Report** for **Special Use Permit No. PSP 19-073** has been approved for public review by the Tulare County Environmental Assessment Officer. Copies are available for review by appointment at the Resource Management Agency, Permit Center, 5961 South Mooney Blvd., Visalia, California 93277-9394 (559) 624-7016, (Monday – Thursday: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm and Friday: 9:00 am to 11:00 am). For further information regarding this project, please call **Sandy Roper at (559) 624-7101 or email at sroper@co.tulare.ca.us**. Comments and recommendations on the adequacy of the environmental document may be filed at the aforementioned address during the public review period established for the project.

PROJECT: Special Use Permit No. PSP 19-073

APPLICANT: 20SD 8me LLC

LOCATION: The Project site is generally located south of Avenue 68, west of Road 272, north of Avenue 12, and east of Road 216. The majority of the Project site is bisected by and lies east of State Route 65 (SR-65). The Project is located within the Ducor Richgrove USGS 7.5 Minute Topographic Quadrangles, within Sections 20-23 and 25-36, Township 23 South, Range 27 East; Sections 30 and 31, Township 23 South, Range 28 East; Sections 1-4, 8-11, 15-22, and 27-27, Township 24 South, Range 27 East, MDB&M, and is located on Tulare County Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs) 321-040-007, 008, 011, & 025; 321-070-014 & 026; 321-110-016; 321-120-002 & 004; 321-130-005; 321-140-007, 008, 010, 012, 013, 014, 015; 321-190-001& 002; 321-200-006; 321-210-004; 323-040-006, 007, & 008; 339-050-004, 006, 007, 008, & 013; 339-070-014, 015, 016 & 026; 339-080-005, 013, 015, & 016; and 339-110-001, 008, 009.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Special Use Permit No. PSP 19-073 proposes to construct and operate an up to 700 MW AC utility scale solar farm and an up to 700 MW AC energy storage system (ESS) on 40 Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) totaling approximately 3,614 gross acres in the Exclusive Agricultural – 10 Acre Minimum (AE-10) and the Exclusive Agricultural – 40 Acre Minimum (AE-40) Zones.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT: Environmental Impact Report, consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines.

REVIEW PERIOD: 10 days until August 24, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING: Planning Commission on August 26, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

All meetings are held at the Board of Chambers, 2800 West Burrell Avenue, Visalia, California 93291 **PLANNING COMMISSION** meetings start at 9:00 a.m.

Based on guidance from the California Department of Public Health and the California Governor's Office, to minimize the spread of the COVID-19 virus, **members of the public are encouraged to participate in the Planning Commission meetings in the following ways: Remote Viewing Listen to the live audio stream of the Planning Commission** meetings at http://tulare.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=31. Instructions on how to participate in the live meeting can be found in the link above.

For environmental questions, please call **Hector Guerra, Chief Environmental Planner at 624-7000**. If you challenge the decision on any of the foregoing matters 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 Tulare County Resource Management Agency, Economic Development and Planning Branch, within the review period described herein.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in meetings call (559) 624-7000 48-hours in advance of the meeting.

HECTOR GUERRA, CHIEF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER
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