

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY
OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

A **Mitigated Negative Declaration** for **Special Use Permit No. PSP 20-068** has been approved for public review by the Tulare County Environmental Assessment Officer. Copies is available for review by appointment at the Resource Management Agency, Permit Center, 5961 South Mooney Blvd., Visalia, California 93277-9394 (559) 624-7000, (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@tularecounty.ca.gov**. 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 20-068

APPLICANT: Coldwell Solar I, LLC

LOCATION: The project site is located at 23599 and 22996 Road 152, Tulare, Assessor Parcel Numbers 195-070-025 and 195-060-041 & -050. The project site consists of three (3) parcels totaling approximately 237 acres in the southwest quadrant of Tulare County, California. The Project site is divided into two (2) proposed development areas located directly north and approximately 0.4 miles south of SR 137/Avenue 232 (commonly locally referred to as the “Tulare-Lindsay Highway”), both directly east of Bliss Lane (Road 152).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Special Use Permit No. 20-068, for the Tulare 40 Generation Facility, would allow the construction and operation of an approximate 40-megawatt (“MW”) solar generation facility, and an up to 5 MW/hr of Energy Storage, on property located in the AE-40 (Exclusive Agricultural Zone – 40 Acre Minimum) Zone.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT: Mitigated Negative Declaration, consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines.

REVIEW PERIOD: 10 days until July 26, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING: Planning Commission on July 28, 2021, 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 <https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/index.cfm/planning-building/planning-commission/>. 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.

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