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To: 'brian.martin@dhs.gov'
Subject: Tierra Del Sol Solar Project (R12-005/P12-010)
Attachments: 3600-12-005-PLOT-PLAN.pdf; Tierra De Sol Solar- Notice.pdf

Brian,

I received your contact information from David Sibbet with the County of San Diego (DPLU). I am hoping that you are the correct person to speak with or that you may be able to lead me in the right direction.

I am attempting to notify the Department of Homeland Security/Border Patrol that a new project has been for a large solar project near the US-Mexico border. Attached is the notice that was sent out for this project. The project description is as follows:

The project is a Major Use Permit for the construction and operation of a 60MW solar energy system on an approximately 420-acre site and a Rezone to remove the "A" special area designator from the site. The project site is located within the Boulevard Community Plan area of the Unincorporated County of San Diego, adjacent to the US/Mexico border (APN 658-120-03-00, 658-090-31-00, 658-090-55-00, 658-120-02-00, 658-090-54-00)

The project would be completed in two phases; phase I consisting of 1,910 concentrating photovoltaic (CPV) trackers on approximately 330 acres and phase II consisting of 619 CPV trackers on approximately 90 acres. Also included would be a 1,000 volt DC underground collection system, a 34.5 kV overhead and underground collection system to link the CPV systems to the onsite substation, a 4-acre operations and maintenance(O&M) area including a 7,500 square foot O&M building, a 3-acre onsite private collector substation site, 31 to 46 inverter stations and a 138 kV overhead transmission line connecting the onsite private collector substation to SDG&E's proposed Boulevard Substation.

The project site is accessed off of Tierra Del Sol Road. Internal circulation would be provided by 24-foot graded and 12-foot improved (with an all weather surface) fire access roads located in the north/south direction (and in the east/west direction every fourth row) and 20-foot wide service roads located in the north/south direction.

The site is subject to the Rural General Plan Regional Category and Rural Lands (RL-80) Land Use Designation. Zoning for the site is S92 (General Rural) and A70 (Limited Agricultural). The project would include a restroom in the operations and maintenance building which would be served by septic. Water to be used during the construction and maintenance phases would be provided by an onsite well. Earthwork would consist of the balanced cut and fill of approximately 694,450 cubic yards of material.

I have also included a plot plan for the proposed project. I am hoping to get Department of Homeland Security/Border Patrol involved in this process as soon as possible to ensure that any concerns are addressed up front. Please let me know if it would be beneficial to set up a meeting with the applicant at this time and also please let me know if you have any additional questions about the proposed project.

Thank you,

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"How to access Zoning Information "online"; Open website: <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dplu/>; click on "Online Services", scroll down and click on "Find Maps" (GIS); scroll down and click on "Property Profile Map"; enter APN and click "Submit".

"How to access the Zoning Ordinance "online"; Open website: <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dplu/>; click on "Zoning Ordinance", click Part Two for Use Regulations, etc.

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