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Who We Are

BayWa r.e. is an integrated renewables company driven to r.e. think energy – how it is produced, stored and can be best used to enable the global energy transition that is essential to the future of our planet.

JVR Energy Park is being developed locally from our US headquarters in Irvine, CA. Many of the staff working on JVR live in or near San Diego County. We completed the nearby 28MW Jacumba Solar project in 2017.

Globally, BayWa r.e. is located in over 30 countries, has brought over 4 GW of energy online and manages over 10 GW of renewable energy assets.

BayWa r.e. Solar Projects LLC is a leading of utility-scale solar projects in North America, with more than 1GW of projects delivered and over 4GW of projects in the pipeline

BayWa r.e. is part of BayWa AG, a globally successful business with revenues of \$19.6 billion, and Energy Infrastructure Partners, a market leader in energy infrastructure investment that manages over \$3.2 billion from global investors.

BayWa AG is globally active in energy, agriculture, and building materials. The Company was founded in 1923 in Munich, Germany, and currently employs over 20,000 people worldwide.

 We are one of the world's largest traders of fruits like Jazz and Envy apples



General location - Heading South on Carrizo Gorge Road



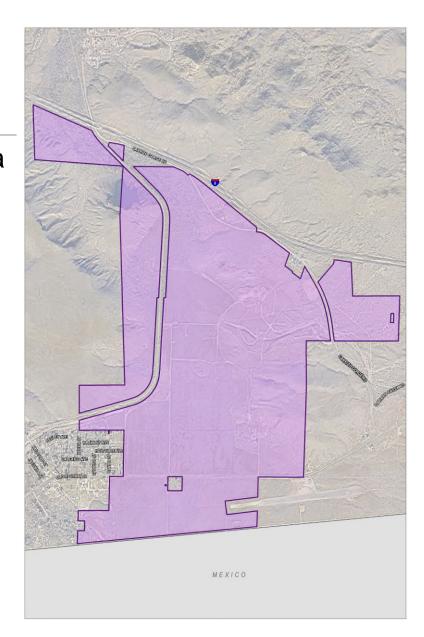
General location – Heading West on Old Highway 80



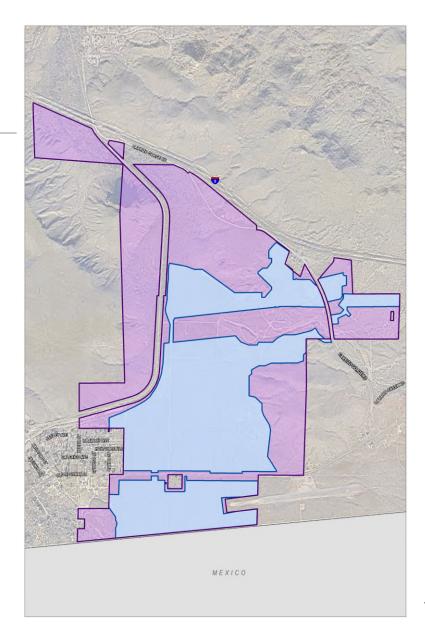
General location – View West from South of the transmission lines



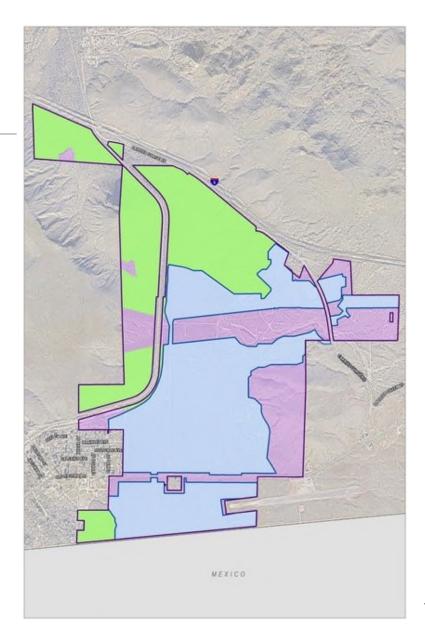
Total Project Area



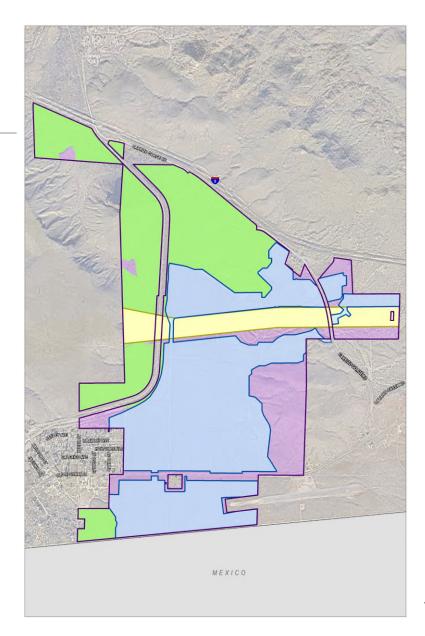
Major Use Permit (MUP) Boundary



Open Space Easement

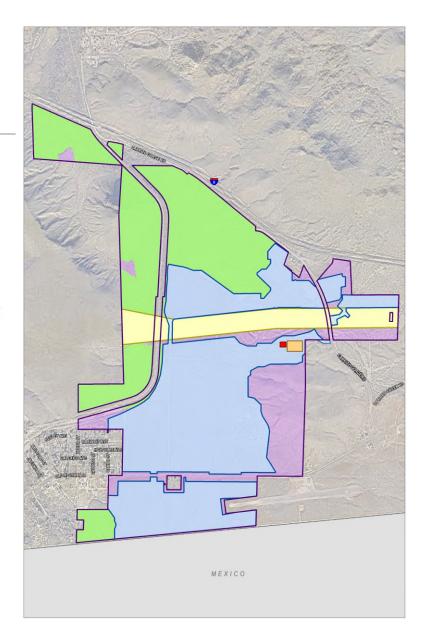


SDG&E Transmission Corridor



Substation & Switchyard

- Project Boundary
- **MUP** Boundary
- Open Space Easement
- SDG&E Easement
- Substation
- Switchyard



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Project has executed Power Purchase Agreement with San Diego Community Power ("SDCP")

Project was selected by SDCP in a competitive request for proposal Fall 2020

- 20-year Power Purchase Agreement with one of the largest California community choice aggregators
 - Signed PPA in June 2021
 - Requires production guarantee associated with current project size
 - The only project under contract with SDCP in San Diego County
 - Project would supply more than 4% of SDCP's customers with clean. reliable electricity



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Local, State, and County Project Benefits

Project will offset more than 500,000 metric tons of CO₂ emissions

- Project will produce enough clean, reliable electricity for approximately 60,000 San Diego County homes
- Project will create up to 350 construction jobs and 2-3 long term operational jobs

- Fully executed **Community Benefits** Agreement with Jacumba Community Services District for \$250,000 of Park improvements
- **Proposed Community** Benefits Agreement with Imperial Valley **Desert Museum and** still discussing additional local community benefits
- 35 year interim project that allows for future different use after the operational term

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3+ Years Invested in Development of the Project

2017

- Obtain land control
- County Pre-Application **Process**
- Preliminary due diligence

2018-2019

- CAISO Interconnection Request
- Full investment in due diligence
 - Real Estate
 - Title investigation, curative
 - Environmental
 - Wetland, biological, cultural field studies
 - Engineering
 - ALTA and topographical surveys
 - Geotechnical investigation
 - Preliminary design
- Notice of Preparation for EIR

2020-2021

- Project MUP Application submitted
- Signed Interconnection Agreement with CAISO and SDGE
- Submitted bid to RFP to San Diego Community Power and awarded/signed PPA
- Signed commitment letter for PLA with Labor Unions
- Draft EIR public comment period, response to comments and Final EIR completed
- Evaluation for selection of major equipment and EPC contractors

MUP Permitting Process then Construction Permits and Procurement

Planning Commission Hearing – July 9 Board Hearing - August 18

Grading Permit, limited clearing and grubbing

Late Q4 2021, early Q1 2022 (to avoid biological species nesting seasons in Q1 2022)

Satisfaction of MUP Conditions

Q3 - Q4 2021

Commercial Operation Date

Q1 2023

Major Equipment Procurement and EPC Contractor Selection

Q3 2021

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EIR Review Process to Date and Comments Received

March 17, 2019

County initiated the preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the JVR Energy Park project

October 8, 2020 -**December 7, 2020**

Draft EIR was circulated for public review for 60 days

During the Draft EIR public review period, the County received the following comment letters:

3 Tribal comment letters

5 Agency comment letters

7 Organization comment letters

138 individual comment letters

As a result of the comments received regarding the Project, changes have been made to the Project design.

Responses to EIR Comments

Aesthetics

- Response:
 - Aesthetics/Visual impacts are the only immitigable impacts from the JVR Project
 - Project does include landscape plan to help with visual screening
 - Project avoids need for lengthy gen-tie line (and associated impacts) to transmission infrastructure

Biological Resources

- Response:
 - Avoids area where Quino Checkerspot butterfly was sighted
 - 435 acre open space easements will preserve wildlife movement corridors
 - Avoided all wetlands

Setbacks

- Response:
 - Reduced project size by 20 acres in response to comments
 - Increased set backs from Old Hwy 80 and Jacumba Community Park
 - Community Buffer Alternative also includes setbacks

Housing

- Response:
 - Assist in implementation of County climate action plan and vehicle miles traveled standards
 - Residential/commercial development would generate significant daily trips

Responses to EIR Comments

Jacumba **Airport**

- Response:
 - No glare impacts for planes or gliders using FAA recommended quidance
 - Consistent with Jacumba Airport land use compatibility plan
 - Provides ~24 acres of open space in Airport's safety zones (4x amount required)

Agricultural Resources

- Response:
 - Interim project with a 35 year operational term
 - Required decommissioning agreement and bond
 - Agricultural operations could be pursued after decommissioning

Backcountry Development

- Response:
 - Permanent conservation of up to 435 acres of habitat adjacent to existing State Park and Federal Wildlife land
 - Putting previously disturbed, fallow land to productive use
 - Project does not impede town revitalization

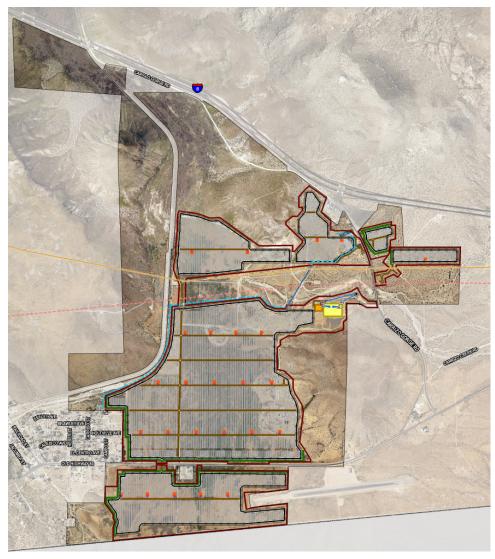
Project size is less than 50% of the 1,356 acre property



Changes to Project Design

In response to comments received, the primary changes to the Project design include:

- Reduction in Major Use Permit (MUP) Boundary from 643 acres to 623 acres
- Increased Setbacks from Old Highway 80
- Increased Setback from Jacumba Community Park



Purchase Area 1,356 acres



Original **Application MUP Boundary** 691 acres



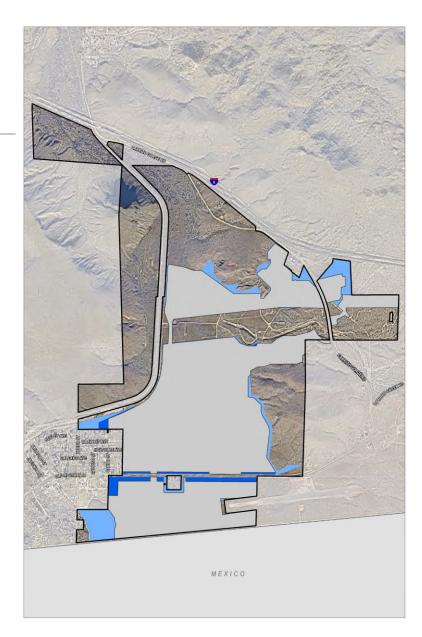
Draft EIR MUP Boundary 643 acres

Reduced 48 acres



Final EIR MUP Boundary 623 acres

Reduced 20 acres



Community Buffer Alternative 605 acres

Reduced 18 acres

Total reduction of 86 acres



Before:

Increased Setbacks from Old Highway 80, from Jacumba **Community Park**

- Project Boundary
- Fence
- Landscaping
- □ Inverter/Transformer
- Battery Storage Container
- Solar Panels
- ☐ Access Roads



After:

Increased Setbacks from Old Highway 80, from Jacumba **Community Park**

- Project Boundary
- Increased Project Setbacks (19-acres)
- Fence
- Landscaping
- □ Inverter/Transformer
- □ Battery Storage Container
- Solar Panels
- ☐ Access Roads



Existing Conditions: Visual Simulation looking West on Old Highway 80



Without Increased Setbacks: Visual Simulation looking West on Old Highway 80



With Increased Setbacks: Visual Simulation looking West on Old Highway 80



Existing Conditions: Visual Simulation looking Southeast on Old Highway 80



Without Increased Setbacks: Visual Simulation looking Southeast on Old Highway 80



With Increased Setbacks: Visual Simulation looking Southeast on Old Highway 80



Existing Conditions: Visual Simulation looking East from Jacumba Community Park



Without Increased Setbacks: Visual Simulation looking East from Jacumba Community Park



With Increased Setbacks: Visual Simulation looking East from Jacumba Community Park



Community Buffer Alternative JVR Energy Park – Planning Commission Presentation

Existing Conditions: Visual Simulation looking East from residences North of Old Highway 80









With Community Alternative Buffer: Visual Simulation looking East from residences North of Old Highway 80







Thank You

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