Response to Comment Letter I47

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I47-1

The County of San Diego (County) acknowledges the commenter’s opposition to the Proposed Project. The information in this comment will be provided in the Final Program Environmental Impact Report for review and consideration by the decision makers.

The County acknowledges the commenter's concern about the Proposed Project's use of groundwater. Potential impacts related to groundwater use are considered and addressed in the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (DPEIR); see Sections 3.1.5.3.4, Groundwater Resources, and 3.1.9.3.1, Water. Please also refer to common response WR1 and WR2. Based on the environmental evaluation, it has been determined that the Proposed Project would have a less than significant impact on groundwater.

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One objective of the Proposed Project is to assist the state in achieving its renewable energy and greenhouse gas reduction goals (DPEIR Section 1.1); the comment related to the federal government promotion of alternative energy does not raise a specific issue related to the environmental document. In addition, the commenter’s concern related to property values does not relate to an environmental issue. This topic was
not evaluated in the DPEIR since it is not related to environmental impacts.

Please refer to response to comment I4-2 regarding setbacks and distances provided between residences at 880 Tierra Del Sol Road, 686 Tierra Del Sol Road and project solar trackers. In addition, see DPEIR Section 2.5.3.2 that provides a discussion of how the Proposed Project complies with zoning and as such, is an allowed use with the approval of a Major Use Permit.