

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION1516 NINTH STREET
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814-5512

NOTICE OF RECEIPT
PETITION TO AMEND
THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION for the
CALICO SOLAR PROJECT PV (08-AFC-13C)

California Energy Commission

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On June 26, 2012, K Road Calico Solar, LLC filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the Calico Solar Project (CSP). The 663.5-megawatt project was certified by the Energy Commission on December 1, 2010. The proposed project will be constructed on an approximate 4,613-acre site located in San Bernardino County, California. The project site is approximately 37 miles east of Barstow, 17 miles east of Newberry Springs, 57 miles northeast of Victorville, and approximately 115 miles east of Los Angeles (straight line distances).

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

K Road Calico Solar, LLC proposes changes to the site footprint, layout and electrical generation technology associated with the approved project. The primary changes include:

- The proposed technology to be utilized for the modified project would be photovoltaic (PV) modules mounted on (1) horizontal single-axis trackers or (2) a fixed tilt racking system. Fixed tilt PV panels may also be used on the site where terrain or other site constraints preclude the use of single-axis trackers.
- The modified project would still be constructed in two phases, Phase 1 would be located primarily south of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad and Phase 2 would be located primarily north of the railroad.
- A new access route south of the BNSF railroad tracks to the most western portion of the project.

In addition to changing the technology, K Road Calico Solar proposes to reconfigure the project layout to reduce the project footprint from 4,613 acres to 3,855 acres and provide the following:

- Remove the 5 to 1 tortoise mitigation lands located in the northern project site.
- Create a wildlife movement corridor through the center of the project
- Reduce impacts to the White-Margined Beardtongue from four (4) distinct areas to one (1).
- Exclude 69 acres of Mojave Fringe Toed Lizard habitat. This total acreage includes 17 acres of the 21.4 total acres of high quality breeding habitat.
- Excludes the donated lands (Catellus Lands) within Section 17 from the site.

ENERGY COMMISSION AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality and public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and, if the project, as modified, will remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently reviewing the amendment petition to determine if additional information is needed for its analysis. The Commission Committee assigned to oversee this proceeding will determine the schedule for the review process. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment proposal will be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent to the project site who may want to participate in the amendment process.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/calicosolar/compliance_2012/index.html. The staff analysis, when published, will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition and/or staff's analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact Craig Hoffman, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-4781, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: choffman@energy.state.ca.us within 14 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Energy Commission Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. News media inquiries should be directed to the Energy Commission Media Office at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

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STATE

ZIP CODE

Calico Petitioner proposes to modify the solar collector technology used on the site to include photovoltaic (PV) technology.

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- PETITION TO AMEND ON COMPACT DISK
- STAFF ANALYSIS
- COMMISSION ORDER

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