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**Notice of Determination - Inyo County**

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 County of Inyo  
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**Subject:** Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

**Project Title:** Agreement between the County of Inyo, California and Hidden Hills Solar regarding the Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System

**Project Applicant:** Hidden Hills Solar I, LLC and Hidden Hills Solar II, LLC  
 c/o BrightSource Energy, Inc.  
 1999 Harrison Street, Ste. 2150  
 Oakland, CA 94612

**Project Location:** Charleston View in southeast Inyo County adjacent to the town of Pahrump, NV

**Project Description:** Representatives of BrightSource Energy, Inc., propose to construct and operate a 500-megawatt power plant in Charleston View. The project includes two approximately 750-foot towers surrounded by 85,000 mirrors each and associated facilities, including power generation, electrical transformers, and an intertie. Transmission is proposed through Nevada, for which the Bureau of Land Management if processing and Environmental Impact Statement.

**Project Action:** On March 12, 2013, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors approved an agreement for certain measures and proposed conditions intended to satisfy the County's concerns regarding project impacts.

**Project Contact Person:** Joshua Hart, AICP, Planning Director, 760-878-0263

**Lead Agency:** California Energy Commission (CEC)

**Summary:** The CEC is the Lead Agency for the project pursuant to the Warren Alquist Act, and is processing the project through a certified regulatory program.

1. The project  will  will not ] have a significant effect on the environment.
2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 CEQA documentation has been prepared for this project pursuant to the CEC's certified regulatory program.
3. Mitigation measures  were  were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A statement of Overriding Considerations [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
5. Findings [ were  were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the record of project approval is available to the General Public at the offices of the CEC, 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Records germane to the County's approval of the agreement are available at the Inyo County Planning Department, 168 N. Edwards Street, Independence, California.

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Joshua Hart, AICP

Director, Inyo County Planning Dept.

**Title**

March 13, 2013

**Date**

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