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## Notice of Determination - Inyo County

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

**Project Title:** Munro Valley Solar, LLC – General Plan Amendment No. 2013-01, Renewable Energy Permit No. 2013-01, Tentative Parcel Map No. 404, Tentative Parcel Map No. 405. (State Clearinghouse No. 2013121062)

**Project Applicant:** Ecos Energy, 222 S 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1600, Minneapolis, MN, 55402

**Project Location:** APN 033-400-02 along the east side of Highway 395, approximately 1,400 feet north of Walker Creek Road; APN 033-060-19, approximately 4,500 feet east of Highway 395, south of Fall Road near Olancha; APN 033-460-08, approximately 3,000 feet east of Highway 395, south of Fall Road near Olancha.

**Project Description:** Munro Valley Solar is proposing to construct and operate a 4.0 megawatt alternating current solar photovoltaic generating facility ("Solar Facility") over two separate parcels located south of Olancha, California. Both parcels are located on private land in unincorporated Inyo County. The first parcel is 20.02 acres (APN: 033-400-02) and is located along the east side of Highway 395, approximately 1,400 feet north of Walker Creek Road. The second parcel consists of 160 acres (APN: 033-060-19), however the Solar Facility will only require 10.03 acres of the 160 acre parcel. The applicant applied for Tentative Parcel Map No. 404 to subdivide the 10.03 acres from the 160 acres, and the Tentative Parcel Map was conditionally approved by the Inyo County Planning Commission on September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Tentative Parcel Map No. 405 subdivided the southern 40 acres from APN 033-460-08 to provide an access easement between the east and west solar facility sites. Tentative Parcel Map No. 405 was conditionally approved by the Inyo County Planning Commission on September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014. General Plan Amendment No. 2013-01 would allow for construction of distributed generation solar photovoltaic facility and would apply only to APNs 033-400-02, the 10.03 acre subdivided portion of 033-060-19, and to all access and utility easements pertinent to the solar facility. Pursuant to Inyo County Code Title 21, the applicant elected to request a renewable energy permit, which was conditionally approved by the Inyo County Planning Commission September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**Project Action:** General Plan Amendment No. 2013-01, Renewable Energy Development Permit No. 2013-01, Tentative Parcel Map No. 404, Tentative Parcel Map No. 405

**Project Contact Person:** Elaine Kabala, Associate Planner, 760-878-0265

**Lead Agency:** Inyo County Planning Department

**Summary:** This is to advise that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors approved the above-described project on November 12, 2014, and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

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.  
 No CEQA documents necessary for this application, pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
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 final Negative Declaration with comments and responses and record of project approval is available to the General Public at offices of the Inyo County Planning Department, 168 N. Edwards Street, Independence, California.



Josh Hart, AICP

Director, Inyo County Planning Department

*Title*

November 13, 2014

*Date*

Date received for filing at OPR: