

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

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<b>TO:</b>	<b>FROM:</b>
Office of Planning and Research 1400 10th Street Sacramento, California 95814	State of California Department of General Services Real Estate Services Division 707 Third Street, 4th Floor West Sacramento, California 95605

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**SUBJECT:** Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

**PROJECT TITLE:** Darrah Springs Solar Project

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<b>State Clearinghouse Number</b>	<b>Contact Person</b>	<b>Telephone Number</b>
2024010296	Terry Ash	916-201-0085

### **Project Approval**

The California Department of General Service (State) adopted the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and approved the Darrah Springs Solar Project on **March 25, 2024**.

### **Project Location**

The Project Site is located within the facility for the Darrah Springs State Fish Hatchery located at 29661 Wildcat Road in the community of Paynes Creek in Shasta County, California. The Project Site corresponds to the northern portion of Section 29, Township 30 North, Range 01 West (Mount Diablo Base and Meridian) with the "Shingletown, California" 7.5-minute quadrangle (U.S. Geological Survey USGS] 1985). The approximate center of the Study Area is located at latitude 40.430185° and longitude -121.994037° (NAD83). The Study Area is within the Battle Creek watershed (Hydrologic Unit Code #18020153) (Natural Resources Conservation Service [NRCS] et al. 2016).

### **Summary Project Description**

The California Department of General Services (DGS) Darrah Springs Solar Project (Proposed Project) is a solar Photovoltaic (PV) power generation system that would include 738 ground-mounted solar arrays that would occupy 59,500 square-feet. The Proposed Project will convert sunlight to Direct Current (DC) electrical power which would then be converted to Alternating Current (AC) by string inverters before being delivered to the PG&E distribution system. The total system is expected to be approximately 321 kilowatts. The Proposed Project would support energy reduction goals, the Global Warming Solutions Act, and Governor's Green Building Order S-20-04.

The State, as the Lead Agency, has approved the above-described Project and has made the following determinations:

Darrah Springs Solar Project  
Final Mitigated Negative Declaration Approval

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- There is no substantial evidence that the Proposed Project will have a significant effect on the environment.

In accordance with CEQA, a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Project was prepared. The Mitigated Negative Declaration has been adopted by DGS, which is the Lead Agency for the Proposed Project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration and record of project approval may be examined at the following website: <http://www.ecorpconsulting.com/docs/DGS-Darrah-Springs-Solar-Project-Draft-ISMND-WITH-APPENDICES.pdf>.

- Mitigation measures were required to be made a condition of approval of the Proposed Project;
- A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not required to be adopted for the Proposed Project; and
- A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan was adopted for the Proposed Project.

This is to certify that the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration including comments and responses, the mitigation monitoring and reporting plan, and record of Project approval is available to the general public at: <http://www.ecorpconsulting.com/docs/DGS-Darrah-Springs-Solar-Project-Final-ISMND-WITH-APPENDICES.pdf>.



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Matt Henigan, Deputy Director  
Department of General Services, Office of Sustainability

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Date

Date Received for Filing at OPR: 3/25/2024



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2024 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE**  
**CASH RECEIPT**  
 DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/24) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:  
 59 — 03/26/2024 — 026  
 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)  
 2024010296

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LEAD AGENCY <b>Department of General Services (DGS)</b>	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE <b>03/26/2024</b>
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING <b>OPR/SCH</b>		DOCUMENT NUMBER

PROJECT TITLE

**Darrah Springs Solar Project**

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME <b>Terry Ash</b>	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL <b>terry.ash@dgs.ca.gov</b>	PHONE NUMBER <b>(916) 201-0085</b>
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS <b>707 Third Street, 4th Floor</b>	CITY STATE <b>West Sacramento CA</b>	ZIP CODE <b>95605</b>

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

- Local Public Agency   
  School District   
  Other Special District   
  State Agency   
  Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

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|---|------------|----|-----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)  | \$4,051.25 | \$ | <u>0.00</u>     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)                        | \$2,916.75 | \$ | <u>2,916.75</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW | \$1,377.25 | \$ | <u>0.00</u>     |

- Exempt from fee  
      Notice of Exemption (attach)  
      CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  
 Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00 | \$ | <u>0.00</u>                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee  |          | \$ | <u>                    </u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other  |          | \$ | <u>                    </u> |

PAYMENT METHOD:

- Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
  Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ 2,916.75

SIGNATURE <b>X Meng Heu</b> <small>Digitally signed by Meng Heu        Date: 2024.03.26        10:15:40 -07'00'</small>	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE <b>SCH</b>
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**NOTICE**

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

**COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE**

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

**COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS**

**Filing Notice of Determination (NOD):**

- Collect environmental filing fee or copy of previously issued cash receipt. *(Do not collect fee if project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.)*
- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
- Mail filing fees for CRP document to CDFW prior to filing the NOD or equivalent final approval (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 753.5 (b)(5)). The CRP should request receipt from CDFW to show proof of payment for filing the NOD or equivalent approval. Please mail payment to address below made attention to the Cash Receipts Unit of the Accounting Services Branch.

If the project applicant presents a **No Effect Determination** signed by CDFW, also:

- Attach No Effect Determination to NOD *(no environmental filing fee is due).*

**Filing Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333))**

- Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- Attach copy of cash receipt to NOE *(no environmental filing fee is due).*

**Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental filing fees are collected**, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.

**The county clerk shall mail the following documents to CDFW on a monthly basis:**

- ✓ A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- ✓ CDFW/ASB copies of all cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- ✓ A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment
- ✓ A copy of all NODs filed with the county during the preceding month
- ✓ A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD has been filed. If this information is contained on the cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

**DOCUMENT RETENTION**

The county shall retain two copies of the cash receipt (for lead agency and county clerk) and a copy of all documents described above for at least 12 months.

**RECEIPT NUMBER**

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

**DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.**

**Mail to:**

California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
 Accounting Services Branch  
 P.O. Box 944209  
 Sacramento, California 94244-2090