

the state agency review period; therefore, the planner who worked on the project had nothing from them to add as a mitigation.

Cathreen

From: John Mays [mailto:johnmays1@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 4:56 AM
To: Cathreen Richards
Cc: Matt Kingsley
Subject: Trona Solar Plant - Renewable Energy Permit 2021-01

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Cathreen,

I was reading through the documents online regarding Renewable Energy Permit 2021-01/Barker Solar and CEQA addendum both reference a previously lapsed 2018 permit that contains the basis for the staff analysis and mitigation for the project. This was not included in the documents available online and I would like to request a copy of Initial Study and any other relevant documents that were publicly available at that time so that I may understand the permit that has been issued here.

From the CEQA Addendum.

"The ND prepared for the original renewable energy permit application, certified in July 2018, evaluated the project through an Initial Study (IS). The ISND identified several avoidance and minimization measures that were incorporated into project design, as conditions of approval for issuance of the permit, to avoid potentially significant impacts."

The "several avoidance and minimization features" and "potentially significant impacts" are not otherwise described in the current documents online.

Thanks,

John

John Mays <johnmays1@gmail.com>
To: Cathleen Richards <crichards@inyocounty.us>
Cc: Matt Kingsley <mkingsley@inyocounty.us>

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Cathreen Richards <crichards@inyocounty.us>
To: John Mays <johnmmays1@gmail.com>
Cc: Matt Kingsley <mkingsley@inyocounty.us>

Fri, Jan 28, 2022 at 9:00 AM

John,

Attached is the original 2018 staff report and ISMND and the 2021 staff report. It was amended because the applicant increased the project area, but did not exceed the project footprint. The project also had to be amended because the applicant did not produce a reclamation plan in the required time. In other words, the 2021 project added solar panels into the area already evaluated by the original CEQA ISMND and provided the required reclamation plan.

So, a new ISMND was not required

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John

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John,

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Thank you.

App

2 attachments



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Ann Logan <ann@gbuapcd.org> Mon, Dec 6, 2021 at 11:43 AM
To: John Mays <johnmays1@gmail.com>
Cc: Luke Eisenhardt <leisenhardt@gbuapcd.org>, Phil Kiddle <pkiddle@gbuapcd.org>, "mkingsley@inyocounty.us" <mkingsley@inyocounty.us>, Cathleen Richards <crichards@inyocounty.us>

John,
Thank you for the email, photos, and information. We will be following up with the owner. Regarding your questions, it would be good to have a call. Could you please let us know the best number to reach you?

On Mon, Dec 6, 2021 at 10:39 AM John Mays <johnmays1@gmail.com> wrote:

Ann,

Just from this morning. As per your request below, appears dust crossing the property line here

Can you advise further on the situation regarding Air Quality for the solar plant? Your email below speaks about lack of proper air district permit. Is construction able to proceed without this permit? If the operator needs to obtain a permit, does this permit go to public comment? Was any enforcement action taken?

Thanks,

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From: Ann Logan
Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 9:59 AM
To: johnmays1@gmail.com
Cc: Luke Eisenhardt; Phil Kiddoo; mkingsley@inyocounty.us; Cathreen Richards
Subject: Trona Solar Plant

Good morning, Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District received your complaint and inquiry regarding the Trona Solar Plant, which was forwarded to us by Matt Kinsley. Regarding the dust emissions, Luke Eisenhard, one of our Air Quality Specialists, will be following up with the owner regarding the lack of dust mitigation measures, as well as a lack of the proper air district permit for the solar project. If you observe additional dust emissions impacting residences and/or crossing the property boundary please document them and let us know.

Please contact Luke at leisenhardt@gbuapcd.org or 760-872-8211 ext 226 if you observe additional dust emissions from the project or have any other questions.

Ann

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Ann Logan <ann@gbuapcd.org> Thu, Dec 2, 2021 at 9:58 AM
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Ann.

Thank you very much for looking into this. We will stay in touch if we see anything. Really appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John

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My phone number is 720-415-0426.

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Tue, Dec 7, 2021 at 9:58 AM

I just called you, but your voicemail box is full. Please call me if you have any questions. If you have any followup complaints, pictures, information, etc. regarding this project, please direct them to me or Ann Logan.

Luke Eisenhardt

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