

## COUNTY OF COLUSA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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Date: September 27, 2024

To: Surrounding Property Owners

Lead Agency: County of Colusa

Community Development Department

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Subject: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY, DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

JANUS SOLAR and BATTERY STORAGE PROJECT

UP PD-24-24, SCH Number 2024061043

Project Applicant: Janus Solar PV, LLC

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**Notice is hereby given** that the County of Colusa, as the Lead Agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Use Permit (UP), Development Agreement, and Williamson Act compatibility determination to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission a photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating facility, with a battery energy storage system (BESS) and associated facilities and infrastructure, commonly known as the Janus Solar and Battery Storage Project (Project).

**Project Location:** The Project is approximately 6.5 miles southwest of the City of Williams. State Highway 20 runs about one mile from the Project site, north and west. The proposed Project would be located on two County of Colusa Assessor Parcels (APN's 018-050-005 and 006) totaling approximately 886 currently used for cattle grazing in Colusa County, California. The Project would connect to the Cortina Substation, located on Walnut Drive, approximately 4 miles northeast of the Project site.

**Project Description:** Janus Solar PV, LLC has applied to Colusa County for a Use Permit (UP) to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission a solar photovoltaic (PV) power generating facility including solar PV modules, a battery energy storage system (BESS), on-site substation, a gen-tie transmission line, and other necessary supporting infrastructure (Janus Solar and Battery Storage Project (Project)). The Project would generate up to 80 megawatts of alternating current of electricity and store up to 80 megawatts, or 320 megawatt hours (MWh),

of electricity on an approximately 886-acre site; only an estimated 666 acres of the site would be used. The Project would connect to the electrical grid at the existing PG&E Cortina Substation via an approx. 4-mile new gen-tie transmission line. A Development Agreement and a review of Project compatibility with the existing Williamson Act contract is also part of the Project.

**Public Review Period**: The 45-day public review period for the DEIR begins on September 27, 2024 and ends on November 11, 2024. All comments must be received within this time period. Written comments should be submitted to Greg Plucker, Community Development Director, 1213 Market Street, Colusa, CA 95932 or to <a href="mailto:gplucker@countyofcolusa.com">gplucker@countyofcolusa.com</a>.

**Document Availability:** The DEIR and other project documentation is available for review online at: <a href="https://www.countyofcolusaca.gov/996/Janus-Solar-and-Battery-Storage-Project">https://www.countyofcolusaca.gov/996/Janus-Solar-and-Battery-Storage-Project</a>. Hard copies are available for review at the Colusa Main Library at 738 Market St. in Colusa, CA 95932, the Williams Branch Library at 901 E Street in Williams, CA 95987, and the Community Development Department at 1213 Market Street, Colusa, CA. 95932.

**Schedule Public Meeting:** No public meeting is currently scheduled. Future public meetings will be posted at: https://www.countyofcolusaca.gov/996/Janus-Solar-and-Battery-Storage-Project. Should you wish to be placed on the email notification list, please send an email to <a href="mailto:aplucker@countyofcolusa.com">aplucker@countyofcolusa.com</a> with Janus Solar and Batter Storage Project Email List in the subject line.

**Significant Anticipated Environmental Effects:** The DEIR evaluates the Project's potentially significant impacts and recommends mitigation measures to avoid/reduce impacts. The Project is not expected to result in any significant, unmitigated impacts.

**Hazardous Waste Sites:** The proposed project is not located on any hazardous waste sites lists enumerated under Section 65965.5 of the Government Code.

**Questions:** If you have any questions about this project, please contact Greg Plucker, County of Colusa, Community Development Department by phone at (530) 458-0480 or by email at <a href="mailto:gplucker@countyofcolusa.com">gplucker@countyofcolusa.com</a>.

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