The ESP incorporates the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s guidelines entitled “Best Management Practices for Lead at Outdoor Shooting Ranges.” In addition, the ESP contains the following:

- Conduct an annual evaluation of progress by the WCGC and the Forest Service toward the environmental stewardship goals.
- Establish a testing and monitoring schedule for soil pH at target backstop and shotgun shot-fall zones. Soil pH will be maintained between 6.5 and 8.5.
- Establish a soil testing and monitoring schedule for lead content and stability on the site.
- Install physical barriers such as silt dams and berms as needed at target backstops and shot-fall zones to prevent lead migration off-site through groundwater and surface water.
- Use only “environmentally friendly” clay targets.
- Do not allow target clays and wads to accumulate on the trap, skeet, and sporting clay fields. The accumulated “environmentally friendly” and “black” targets on the accessible areas at the trap, skeet, and sporting clay zones will be cleaned up and removed from the site. This project will be completed 3 to 4 years after the permit is issued, and subsequent routine removal of the target debris will be established in the ESP.
- Collect and recycle lead at the rifle/impact berms.
- Collect and recycle lead from the trap and skeet ranges and shot-fall zones.
- Construct a 12-foot-high, 200-foot-long barrier fence on the eastern edge of the skeet range to stop shooting targets and some lead shot from crossing into the San Jose basin.
- Coordinate with the local Native American communities to establish “no shooting days” to mitigate the impact of noise.
- Remove the target frame racks and permanently discontinue use of the 200-, 300-, and 600-yard ranges in the basin, and remove the materials, contaminated soil, and access road when the rehabilitation project is completed.
- Construct a 50-inch-wide access trail into the north-facing trap and skeet range shot-fall zone for lead collection. Lead shot collection will initially be conducted within 50 feet of the trail up and downslope from the trail.
- Collect lead in the skeet range shot-fall overlap area in the San Jose basin by trimming brush only enough to facilitate access to areas of shot accumulation on the soil surface.
- Collect and remove lead for recycling using hand screening or small mechanized screening equipment if available. The collection methods will be consistent with the recommendations listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s guidelines entitled “Best Management Practices for Lead at Outdoor Shooting Ranges.” Lead shot collection and ground disturbance will be monitored and conducted to reduce the potential for off-site migration of lead.

All facilities will be available and accessible to all people without discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, or marital or familial status. An operation and maintenance plan, safety plan, and fire plan will be developed by both the WCGC and the Forest Service, attached to the permit, and monitored to ensure compliance.

Possible Alternatives

A full range of alternatives will be considered, including non-renewal of the permit, renewal of the permit, and renewal of the permit with modifications. In addition, alternatives in response to issues generated during the scoping process will be considered. All alternatives will comply with the Los Padres National Forest Land Management Plan.

Responsible Official

Peggy Hernandez, Forest Supervisor, Los Padres National Forest, Goleta, California, is the responsible official for this EIS and its Record of Decision. As the responsible official, the Forest Supervisor will document the decision and the reason for the decision in the Record of Decision. The decision will be subject to Forest Service Appeals Regulations (36 CFR Part 215).

Nature of Decision To Be Made

The responsible official will make a decision by considering the following:

1. Whether the proposed action will proceed as proposed, with modifications, or not at all; and
2. What associated mitigation measures and monitoring requirements will be required.

Preliminary Issues

Preliminary issues identified during earlier public involvement include the following:

1. Potential impacts of lead and other shooting contaminants on-site:
   a. At affected areas of San Jose basin from long-bore ranges, and
   b. From continued operation of existing facilities proposed to remain;
2. Potential for off-site migration of lead and other shooting contaminants;
3. Impacts on cultural sites in the San Jose basin;
4. Target range safety;
5. Target range potential for starting wildfires; and

Scoping Process

All scoping comments submitted to the Forest Service in response to the NOI dated December 2, 2009, will be carried through to this current scoping period. Previous respondents are not required to provide duplicate comments; however, all new comments relevant to this proposed action are encouraged and welcome. This scoping process guides the development of the EIS. The Forest Supervisor is seeking public and agency comment on the proposed action to identify issues that could arise. These issues may lead to other alternatives or additional mitigation measures and monitoring requirements. Comments may be provided at any time during the planning process, but it is important that reviewers provide their comments at a time and in a manner that will be most useful to the Agency’s preparation of the EIS. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer’s concerns and contentions. The submission of timely and specific comments in response to this Notice does not confer status for subsequent administrative appeal but does provide important information for preparation of the document and may be of importance for judicial review.


Peggy Hernandez,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Turning Point Solar LLC: Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Environmental Assessment (EA) associated with a solar generation project. The EA was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Council on Environmental Quality’s
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Turning Point Solar LLC (Turning Point Solar) for the proposal. RUS is considering funding this proposal.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Turning Point Solar proposes to construct a 49.9 MW solar generating facility in Brookfield Township, Noble County, Ohio. The proposal involves the installation of high-efficiency monocrystalline photovoltaic panels mounted on fixed solar racking equipment and the construction of access roads, a powerhouse, transmission improvements, and other supporting facilities. The preferred site is located eight miles northwest of Caldwell, Ohio, on approximately 771 acres of reclaimed strip-mined land owned by Columbus Southern Power Company and Ohio Power Company, collectively American Electric Power Ohio (“AEP Ohio”). The land was mined by the Central Ohio Coal Company between 1969 and 1991, after which time it was reclaimed. The proposed generating facility would interconnect to AEP Ohio’s South Cumberland 69kV substation, subject to completion of the Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland (PJM) Generation Interconnection application process.

A Notice of Intent to prepare an EA was published in the Federal Register on June 27, 2011, and in newspapers within the general circulation of the proposal area from June 27, 2011 to July 5, 2011. A public meeting was held on July 14, 2011, at the Caldwell Elementary School, located at: 44350 Fairground Road, Caldwell, Ohio. A scoping summary report can be found at the RUS Web site listed in this Notice. The notice of availability of the EA for public review was published in the Federal Register on February 1, 2012, and in newspapers within the general circulation of the proposal area on January 26, 2011 to January 30, 2011. The EA was available for public and agency review on the RUS Web site listed in this Notice and at Caldwell Public Library. Located at: 517 Spruce Street, Caldwell, Ohio 43724. The 30-day comment period ended on March 2, 2012. RUS received three agency comments and one public comment. They are addressed in the FONSI.

Turning Point Solar hired URS Corporation to prepare an EA for RUS that described the proposal and assessed its potential environmental impacts. RUS conducted an independent evaluation of the EA and concurred with its scope and content. In accordance with RUS’s Environmental Policies and Procedures at 7 CFR 1794.41, RUS accepted the document as its EA.

Based on its EA, RUS has concluded that the proposal would have no significant impacts to water quality, wetlands, the 100-year floodplain, land use, aesthetics, transportation, or human health and safety. The proposal will have no adverse effects on historic properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. RUS has already determined that this FONSI fulfills its obligations under NEPA for its action related to the proposal. RUS is satisfied that the environmental impacts of the proposal have been adequately addressed. If RUS takes a federal action on the proposal, it will not result in significant impacts to the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared for the proposal.


Nevin Elgohary,
Assistant Administrator, Electric Programs, USDA, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) from the firms listed below. Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of these firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm’s workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE [02/24/2012 through 04/20/2012]

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