

PROJECT: DESERT SUNLIGHT SOLAR FARM

COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROGRAM MONITORING

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MONITORING REPORT (COVER PAGE)

The following report is a compilation of the monitoring reports issued by the Compliance Monitors and/or Compliance Manager for activities conducted from August 29, 2011 to September 3, 2011. Should you have any questions regarding the information contained in this report, please contact Joseph Henry at (213) 219-9474 (cell phone).

Compliance Level

Acceptable



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ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE MONITORING PROGRAM MONITORING REPORT

Report Number: FS-DSSF-2

Date of Report: 9/5/2011

Compliance Monitors: Joseph Henry and Jon West

Compliance Level: Acceptable

Construction Method: Continued grading and trenching for project fencing along southern and eastern boundaries of Phase 1A. Completed installation of two temporary gates in sections of the tortoise fencing along the eastern side of the Move-On Area. Biological monitors were on-site during all construction-related activities. Additional biologists conducted tortoise surveys within portions of Phase 1A and 1B. Surveys resulted in the discovery of four unviable tortoise eggs and two unviable, but hatched young tortoise. Botanical surveys were conducted to verify locations and viability of several specimens to be salvaged, including Ocotillo and Cholla. BLM directed that all construction-related activities cease on the morning of Wednesday, August 31, 2011 in response to a labor dispute between the biological monitors and First Solar.

Location

Desert Sunlight Project Site

Construction Spread:

Phase 1A perimeter, Phase 1B and Move-On area near Kaiser Road entrance

Inspection Notes: See Below

Photos: Photos Attached



DEVELOPER: FIRST SOLAR, INC.

PROJECT: DESERT SUNLIGHT

SOLAR FARM

Environmental Compliance Monitoring Program Summary

Report for the Period: 22 August to 26 August 2011

The following is a summary of the reports issued by the Compliance Monitors and Compliance Manager for activities conducted between August 29 and September 3, 2011. The environmental compliance monitoring program for the Desert Sunlight Solar Farm (DSSF) Project is being implemented under the direction of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Copies of the monitoring reports will be posted and made available for review on the environmental compliance monitoring program website. Should you have any questions regarding the information contained in this report, please contact Joseph Henry at (213) 219-9474.

The construction conducted for this period consisted of clearing vegetation, grading and trenching for fencing along the southern and eastern perimeter of Phase 1A; installation of two temporary gates within the tortoise fencing around the perimeter of the move-on area; surveying of portions of Phase 1A and Phase 1B for sensitive species, including desert tortoise.

Cultural, biological, and UXO monitoring was conducted by on-site representatives during this period.

Rattlesnakes, heat-associated dangers (high temperatures ranging from 105 to 115), and heavy equipment safety procedures are the ongoing safety concerns.



All construction-related safety, compliance conditions, and WEAP levels were acceptable during this period. Potential future compliance issues include dust control, visual emissions monitoring, scope of WEAP material, and overnight lighting requirements. Three variance requests have been submitted and are currently pending BLM review. The on-site labor dispute issues have prompted a review of the communication and reporting structure, as well as compliance monitoring procedures.



Photo of track-out from Move-On Area onto Kaiser road from the northern most entrance to the site. In order to maintain compliance all track-out must be removed at the end of the work day and must never extend more than 25 feet onto the road.





Photo of water truck actively applying water along the fence line as a means of dust control.

