

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

MEETING NAME: REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS
MEETING DATE(S): SEPTEMBER 15, 2025
FROM: DANNY FRIEND – DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
FOR: ACTION X DIRECTION _____ INFORMATION _____



AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO SOLAR POWER PURCHASE AND LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH TRIDENT MISSION SPRINGS LLC

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the General Manager to approve and execute Amendment No. 2 to the Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) and Amendment No. 2 to the Land Lease and Solar Easement Agreement (Lease) with Trident Mission Springs LLC, to design, build, and construct approximately 4 MW of renewable solar energy at three MSWD sites.

SUMMARY

Amendment No. 2 to the PPA and Lease reconfigures the solar project from seven sites to three: Horton WWTP, Nancy Wright Regional Water Reclamation Facility, and Little Morongo RES-BCT. Each facility may be brought into service independently upon Permission to Operate (PTO) from SCE and is treated separately under both agreements. Technical exhibits and schedules are updated to reflect the new configuration, totaling approximately 4,364 kW (DC) of solar generation across the three sites and are shown in Exhibits A and B.

ANALYSIS

The amendments provide MSWD with greater operational flexibility, enabling each solar facility to be commissioned as soon as PTO is granted, rather than waiting for all sites to be ready. This approach accelerates energy savings and reduces risk. The PPA structure ensures MSWD pays for solar-generated energy from its energy budget at rates lower than current SCE rates. The agreements include a performance guarantee that Trident Mission Springs LLC must pay MSWD for lost savings if energy production falls below 90% of projections.

FISCAL IMPACT & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Approval of these amendments have no cost impact on the District as the agreed cost per kilowatt has not changed per the original PPA agreement. This action is consistent with Strategic Plan Goal 5.1 - Increase Use of Sustainable Energy Sources and Optimize Efficiencies.

ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit A – PPA Amendment No. 2
Exhibit B – Lease Amendment No. 2

FINANCIAL DATA		
Cost Associated with this action:	\$0	
Current FY cost:	\$0	
Future FY cost:	\$0	
Is it covered in current year budget:	YES ☒	NO ☐
Budget adjustment needed:	YES ☐	NO ☒
If yes, year needed:	N/A	
All previous contracts including dates, amounts and board approvals are attached or have been made available.		
FUNDING SOURCES		
Source of funds:	101/201/301	
BID/Job#	11776	
Current BID/Job balance	\$304,278	
Balance remaining if approved:	\$304,278	