

Appendix B: Executive Summary

Project & Company information and location

1. Briefly explain the project, including technology, capacity size, location, and estimated COD.
2. Provide a summary of your company, including corporate headquarters and website address. How many years of development experience, and specifically how many years with CAISO development and how many operating projects does your company have in California?
3. Please list your development team that would be working closely with SCP, and their experience and role.
4. Provide a summary of ownership or joint ownership of the resource.
5. What is the supply chain strategy for the project? Do you have a specific OEM identified for the equipment? Where will the key equipment be sourced?
6. SCP anticipates using the [CEC's Land-Use Screens for Electric System Planning tool](#) with the project's provided coordinates to assess project viability. If your project falls within one of the excluded areas in the CEC tool, please explain if you disagree with the CEC's characterization and explain why your project has a high level of viability.
7. Please provide a qualitative and quantitative comparison with the resource specific cost assumptions used in the [2022-2023 Integrated Resource Planning modeling by the CPUC](#) for renewable resources (pg. 65-66), and [NREL's Utility Scale Battery Storage annual technology baseline](#), incorporating cost factors like site control, supply chain agreements, estimated interconnection cost, financing, and permitting.

Permitting and site control

8. Please identify the necessary permits, including land use entitlement permit (e.g., Conditional Use Permit (CUP), Application for Certification (AFC), Record of Decision (ROD)) from lead land use permitting agency and all discretionary permits from other lead, trustee and/or responsible agencies including wildlife agencies. Are there any nearby or similar projects that can provide insight into the project's permitting risk? Describe the status of all permits, including planned efforts to obtain these permits, the status of discussions with state and federal wildlife agencies, and any recommendations regarding permits from those agencies.
9. Do you expect to need an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)? Do you anticipate using the CEC's AB205 opt-in CEQA process? Do you expect to receive a Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration from CEQA/NEPA?

10. Are you aware of the potential for new zoning laws, ordinances, land use restrictions, or siting limitations in the project area that could cause significant delays? If yes, provide a brief description. What is the current site use and zoning?
11. Are you aware of any potentially significant title, easement or mineral rights issues for this project? If yes, provide a brief description.
12. Do you have 100% site control of the project area? Are all site control documents executed? If not, what percentage remains?

Marketing & Financing

13. Have you performed a market analysis for this project?
14. Provide a description of the project financing plan.
15. Will the resource capture the ITC or PTC? Is it eligible for the IRA's Energy Community bonus?

Interconnection

16. In detail, please describe the respondent's experience within CAISO and other WECC markets. Please list who on your staff or consultant basis will be managing your interconnection agreement process with the transmission company and with CAISO. In addition, provide an example(s) of when the staff member or consultant has experienced an unforeseen event in the interconnection process, and how it was handled or overcome.
17. Describe what efforts have been taken by your company to assess transmission plan deliverability (TPD) availability for the project. Is the project listed in the CAISO TPD dataset as an "eligible area?"
18. How long is the gen-tie for the project? What is the ROW situation? What is your strategy and timeline for delivering to the POI?
19. Are you assuming the need for any network upgrades to accommodate the project? What are the potential associated costs and schedule risks?

Community and Environmental

20. Have you contacted community leadership regarding this project? Please list specific community engagement or plans to do so.
21. Do you anticipate any opposition to the project, even if small, from local communities, indigenous communities or cultural/historical agencies? If yes, provide a brief description.

22. Does your organization typically utilize community benefit agreements?
23. Have you completed an ALTA Survey, Geotech Survey or other environmental site assessment? If yes, please provide a summary of the results.
24. Are you aware of any protected species located in the project area? If yes, provide a brief description.
25. “Multi-benefit energy projects” provide additional societal, health, economic, water saving, or environmental benefits beyond the climate and GHG reduction benefits of renewable energy. Please describe any additional benefit(s) that your project demonstrates.
26. Please describe the type of materials used for the project equipment, and whether there are any toxic materials used. Describe how such materials will be safely disposed of or recycled at the end of the project’s life, including any decommissioning plans and plans for disposal of equipment at the end of the project's life.
27. If applicable, please describe any impacts to air pollution within communities that have been disproportionately impacted by the existing emitting fleet.

Workforce Development

28. Does your organization typically utilize or require your prime contractor to utilize multi-trade project labor agreements?
29. Will the workforce for this project be paid prevailing hourly wages?
30. For this project, do you plan to support and use State of California approved apprenticeship programs and / or graduates of local pre-apprenticeship programs?
31. For this project, do you plan to use a Project Labor Agreement or similar agreement?
32. Please list the projected number of new jobs (both part-time and full-time) that would be created during the construction and operation phases.
33. Please confirm that this proposal for storage facilities does not rely on equipment or resources built with forced labor. Consistent with the business advisory jointly issued by the U.S. Departments of State, Treasury, Commerce and Homeland Security on July 1, 2020, equipment or resources sourced from the Xinjiang region of China are presumed to involve forced labor.

References

34. Please list three professional references.