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MEMORANDUM FOR CAROL M. BORGSTROM, GC-54, WASHINGTON, DC  
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF NEPA POLICY AND COMPLIANCE

FROM: TIMOTHY J. MEEKS  
ADMINISTRATOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. J. Meeks", is written over the printed name of Timothy J. Meeks.

SUBJECT: Environmental Impact Statement Determination for the Quartzsite Solar Energy Project, Arizona

In accordance with my responsibilities under section 5.a. (8) of the Department of Energy (DOE) Order 451.1B, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Compliance Program, I have determined that the subject proposal will require the preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS). Quartzsite Solar Energy, LLC (QSE) has applied to Western Area Power Administration (Western) to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's power transmission system.

Western's proposed Federal action is to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's transmission system. Upon completion of the EIS, Western will make a decision to approve or deny the interconnection request. If the decision is to approve the request, Western's action may include making additional system modifications to accommodate the interconnection. Under the no action alternative, Western would not approve the interconnection request.

QSE proposes to construct a 100-MW (net), solar-powered electrical generation facility in La Paz County, Arizona. The solar power facility would occupy approximately 1,450 acres of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered lands within a larger BLM administered area. The proposed Project would be located approximately 6 miles north of Quartzsite, and adjacent to Arizona State Route 95. It would be constructed on BLM administered lands.

The proposed Project would use concentrating solar "power tower" technology to capture the sun's heat to make steam, which would power traditional steam turbine generators. The solar power facility would contain the power block, a central receiver or tower, solar fields which consist of mirrors or heliostats to reflect the sun's energy to the central tower, a thermal energy storage system, technical and non-technical buildings, a storm water system, water supply and treatment systems, a wastewater system, and other supporting facilities.

Other Project components would include access road(s), an electrical substation, and a transmission line. The main access road would originate from Highway 95 and extend approximately 0.5 miles to the perimeter of the solar power facility.

While Western's proposed Federal action will be limited to the interconnection and any system modifications needed to accommodate the interconnection, the EIS will identify and review the environmental impacts of the entire proposed Project. Appendix D of 10 CFR Part 1021.400

(Subpart D) of the DOE NEPA implementing procedures list classes of action that normally require the preparation of an EIS. Specifically, provision D6 under Appendix D is applicable: “Integrating transmission facilities (that is, transmission system additions for integrating major new sources of generation into a Power Marketing Administration’s main grid)”.

Based on the provisions in 10 CFR Part 1021.400 (a) (3) and (c) of the DOE NEPA implementing procedures, and since the proposed action would involve the integration of a major new source of generation into Western’s power system, I have determined that an EIS is required for the interconnection of the Quartzsite Solar Energy Project. Ms. Mary Barger will be the NEPA Document Manager for this EIS. She may be reached at (602) 605-2524 or [barger@wapa.gov](mailto:barger@wapa.gov).

cc:

Yardena M. Mansoor, Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance, GC-54, Washington, DC

(202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Western Area Power Administration

#### Construction and Operation of the Quartzsite Solar Energy Project, La Paz County, AZ (DOE/EIS-0440)

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and To Conduct Scoping Meetings; Notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Area Power Administration (Western), an agency of the DOE, intends to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the proposed Quartzsite Solar Energy Project (Project) in La Paz County, near Quartzsite, Arizona. Quartzsite Solar Energy, LLC (QSE) has applied to Western to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's power transmission system. Western is issuing this notice to inform the public and interested parties about Western's intent to prepare an EIS, to conduct a public scoping process, and to invite the public to comment on the scope, proposed action, alternatives, and issues to be addressed in the EIS. Solar Reserve has applied to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Yuma Field Office for a right-of-way grant for the proposed solar power plant. Western will apply to BLM for a right-of-way grant for the proposed substation.

This EIS will address Western's Federal action of interconnecting the proposed Project to Western's transmission system and making any necessary modification to Western facilities to accommodate the interconnection. The EIS will also review the potential environmental impacts of QSE constructing, operating, and maintaining a 100-megawatt (MW) (net) solar-powered generating facility, consisting of a solar field of heliostat mirrors, power block, thermal energy storage system, substation site,

transmission line, temporary laydown areas, and other ancillary facilities.

The BLM has agreed to be a cooperating agency for the EIS.

**DATES:** Public scoping meetings will be held:

1. January 26, 2010, BLM, Yuma Field Office, 2555 E. Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, AZ 85365.

2. January 27, 2010, Blue Water Casino, 11300 Resort Dr., Parker, AZ 85344.

3. January 28, 2010, Quartzsite Town Hall, 465 N. Plymouth Ave., Quartzsite, AZ 85346.

The public scoping meetings will begin at 6 p.m. and will end at 8 p.m. The meetings will be informal, and attendees will be able to speak directly with Western and QSE representatives about the proposed Project. The public scoping period begins with the publication of this notice and closes on February 16, 2010. Announcements will also be made by news release to the media, individual letter mailings, and posting on the Western Web site listed below.

**ADDRESSES:** Western will host public scoping meetings at the time and locations indicated in the **DATES** section. Oral or written comments may be provided at the public scoping meetings, mailed or e-mailed to Ms. Mary Barger. Comments should be addressed to Ms. Mary Barger, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Document Manager, Western Area Power Administration, Desert Southwest Region, P.O. Box 6457, 615 S. 43rd Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85005 or [quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov](mailto:quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on the proposed Project and general information about interconnections with Western's transmission system, you may refer to the project Web site <http://www.wapa.gov/transmission/quartzsitesolar.htm> or contact Ms. Mary Barger, NEPA Document Manager, at the address above, by telephone (602) 605-2524, fax (602) 605-2630, or e-mail [quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov](mailto:quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov).

For general information on DOE's NEPA review procedures or status of a NEPA review, contact Ms. Carol M. Borgstrom, Director of NEPA Policy and Compliance, GC-54, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, telephone (202) 586-4600 or (800) 472-2756.

For information on BLM's participation, contact Eddie Arreola, Supervisory Project Manager, Bureau of Land Management, One North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004, telephone

(602) 417-9505, fax (602) 417-9454, or e-mail [Quartzsite\\_Solar@blm.gov](mailto:Quartzsite_Solar@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Western, an agency within DOE, markets Federal hydroelectric power to preference customers, as specified by law. These customers include municipalities, cooperatives, irrigation districts, Federal and State agencies, and Native American tribes. Western's service territory covers 15 western states, of which Arizona is included. Western owns and operates more than 17,000 miles of high-voltage transmission lines.

QSE is a Santa Monica, California-based energy company formed by U.S. Renewables Group, a private equity firm focused exclusively on renewable energy.

#### Project Description and Alternatives

QSE proposes to construct a 100-MW (net), solar-powered electrical generation facility in La Paz County, Arizona. The solar power facility would occupy approximately 1,450 acres of BLM administered lands within a larger BLM administered area. The proposed Project would be located approximately six miles north of Quartzsite, and adjacent to Arizona State Route 95. The proposed Project, powerline and ancillary facilities would be on BLM administered land.

The proposed Project would use concentrating solar "power tower" technology to capture the sun's heat to make steam, which would power traditional steam turbine generators. The solar power facility would contain the power block, a central receiver or tower, solar fields which consist of mirrors or heliostats to reflect the sun's energy to the central tower, a thermal energy storage system, technical and non-technical buildings, a stormwater system, water supply and treatment systems, a wastewater system, and other supporting facilities.

Other Project components would include access roads, an electrical substation, and a transmission line. The access road would originate from Highway 95 and extend approximately 0.5 miles to the perimeter of the solar power facility.

QSE has applied to Western to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's transmission system. The transmission line from the solar facility would extend approximately 0.5 miles from the solar facility boundary to a new substation to be constructed adjacent to Western's existing line. The substation would be owned, operated, and maintained by Western, and would be located adjacent to Western's existing Bouse-Kofa 161-kV line that parallels State Route 95 in the vicinity of

Quartzsite, Arizona. The substation would be approximately 300 x 400 feet, or about 2 to 3 acres.

An on-site temporary laydown area would be used during the construction phase of the Project. The laydown areas, outside of the solar facility boundary, total approximately 30 acres and would be used for storage and assembly of proposed Project components and for temporary construction trailers.

### Proposed Agency Action and Alternatives

Western's proposed actions are to build a new substation and to interconnect the proposed Project to Western's transmission system at the substation described above.

Western will also consider the no-action alternative in the EIS. Under the no-action alternative, Western would deny the interconnection request and would not build a new substation. For the purpose of impact analysis and comparison in the EIS, it will be assumed that the Applicant's proposed Project would not be built and the environmental impacts associated with construction and operation would not occur.

### Agency Responsibilities

Because interconnection of the proposed Project would incorporate a major new generation resource into Western's power transmission system, Western has determined that an EIS is required under DOE NEPA implementing procedures, 10 CFR part 1021, Subpart D, Appendix D, class of action D6.<sup>1</sup> Western would be the lead Federal agency for preparing the EIS, as defined at 40 CFR 1501.5. The proposed Project would include construction of a new electrical generating facility, substation and transmission line across lands managed by the BLM; therefore, the BLM has agreed to be a cooperating agency for preparation of the EIS. Western will invite other Federal, State, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to be cooperating agencies on the EIS, as defined at 40 CFR 1501.6. Such agencies may also make a request to Western to be a cooperating agency by contacting Ms. Barger at the address listed above in the **ADDRESSES** section. Because the proposed Project may involve action in floodplains or wetlands, this NOI also serves as a notice of proposed floodplain or wetland action, in

accordance with DOE regulations for Compliance with Floodplain and Wetlands Environmental Review Requirements at 10 CFR 1022.12(a). The EIS will include a floodplain/wetland assessment and, if required, a floodplain/wetland statement of findings will be issued with the Final EIS or Western and BLM's Records of Decision (ROD).

### Environmental Issues

This notice is to inform agencies and the public of Western's intent to prepare an EIS and solicit comments and suggestions for consideration in the EIS. To help the public frame its comments, the following list contains potential environmental issues preliminarily identified for analysis in the EIS:

1. Impacts on protected, threatened, endangered, or sensitive species of animals or plants.
2. Impacts on migratory birds.
3. Introduction of noxious weeds, invasive and non-native species.
4. Impacts on recreation and transportation.
5. Impacts on land use, wilderness, farmlands, and Areas of Critical Environmental Concern.
6. Impacts on cultural or historic resources and tribal values.
7. Impacts on human health and safety.
8. Impacts on air, soil, and water resources (including air quality and surface water impacts).
9. Visual impacts.
10. Socioeconomic impacts and disproportionately high and adverse impacts to minority and low-income populations.

This list is not intended to be all-inclusive or to imply any predetermination of impacts. Western invites interested parties to suggest specific issues within these general categories, or other issues not included above, to be considered in the EIS.

### Public Participation

The EIS process includes a public scoping period; public scoping meetings; public review and hearings on the draft EIS; publication of a final EIS; and publication of a ROD. The public scoping period begins with publication of this notice and closes February 16, 2010. At the conclusion of the NEPA process, Western will prepare a ROD. Persons interested in receiving future notices, Project information, copies of the EIS, and other information on the NEPA review process should contact Ms. Barger at the address listed above in the **ADDRESSES** section.

The purpose of the scoping meetings is to provide information about the

proposed Project, review Project maps, answer questions, and take written comments from interested parties. All meeting locations will be handicapped-accessible. Anyone needing special accommodations should contact Ms. Barger to make arrangements.

The public will have the opportunity to provide written comments at the public scoping meetings. Written comments may also be sent to Ms. Barger by fax, e-mail, or U.S. Postal Service mail. To help define the scope of the EIS, comments should be received by Western no later than February 16, 2010.

Dated: January 6, 2010.

**Timothy J. Meeks,**  
Administrator.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PF10-2-000]

### Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Planned Princeton Lateral Project, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues, and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting

January 7, 2010.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Princeton Lateral Project involving construction and operation of facilities by Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border) in Bureau County, Illinois. This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on February 8, 2010.

Comments may be submitted in written form or verbally. Further details on how to submit written comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice. In lieu of or in addition to sending written comments, we invite you to attend the public

<sup>1</sup> On October 4, 1999, DOE's Assistant Secretary for Environmental, Safety and Health delegated to Western's Administrator the authority to approve EISs for integrating transmission facilities with Western's transmission grid.

# Quartzsite Solar Energy Project

## Newsletter 1



January 2010

### Introduction

Quartzsite Solar Energy, LLC (QSE), a subsidiary of Solar Reserve, proposes to construct a 100 megawatt (MW) solar-powered generating station in La Paz County, Arizona.

QSE has submitted an interconnection request to Western Area Power Administration (Western) to connect the proposed facility with Western's power transmission system. QSE also has submitted a right-of-way application to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Consideration of these applications is considered a major federal action; therefore, Western, as lead federal agency, is preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) to identify potential impacts of the project. BLM will serve as a cooperating agency during preparation of the EIS.



### Project Description

As shown on the map, the project would be located about 10 miles north of Quartzsite, Arizona on approximately 1,450 acres of BLM administered land. The project would use concentrating solar "power tower" technology equipped with storage. With this technology, the solar field, which is comprised of mirrors, is arranged in a circular pattern around a central tower. The mirrors reflect the sun's energy onto the tower and steam is created, which then powers a conventional steam turbine generator. The project will include up to 17,500 mirrors, and one 538-foot concrete tower topped with a 100-foot solar receiver and maintenance crane (for a total height of 638 feet). Other project

facilities include storage tanks, operations and maintenance buildings, access roads, 230-kilovolt (kV) electrical substation, and a 230 kV transmission line to interconnect to Western's existing transmission system.

### Public Scoping

Public scoping is the first step in the EIS process. During the 30-day public scoping period, Western encourages agencies and the public to provide comments and identify issues and concerns that need to be addressed in the EIS. The first opportunity to provide comments is at the public scoping meetings listed below.

Please plan to attend one of the following meetings. All meetings will be held in an open house format from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. with a brief presentation at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Tuesday, January 26**    **Wednesday, January 27**

BLM, Yuma Field Office  
2555 E. Gila Ridge Rd  
Yuma, AZ

Blue Water Casino  
11300 Resort Dr  
Parker, AZ

#### **Thursday, January 28**

Quartzsite Town Hall  
465 N. Plymouth Ave  
Quartzsite, AZ

**Please submit written scoping comments by February 15, 2010.**

Email: [quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov](mailto:quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov)

Fax: (602) 605-2630

Or mail to: Ms. Mary Barger, NEPA

Document Manager

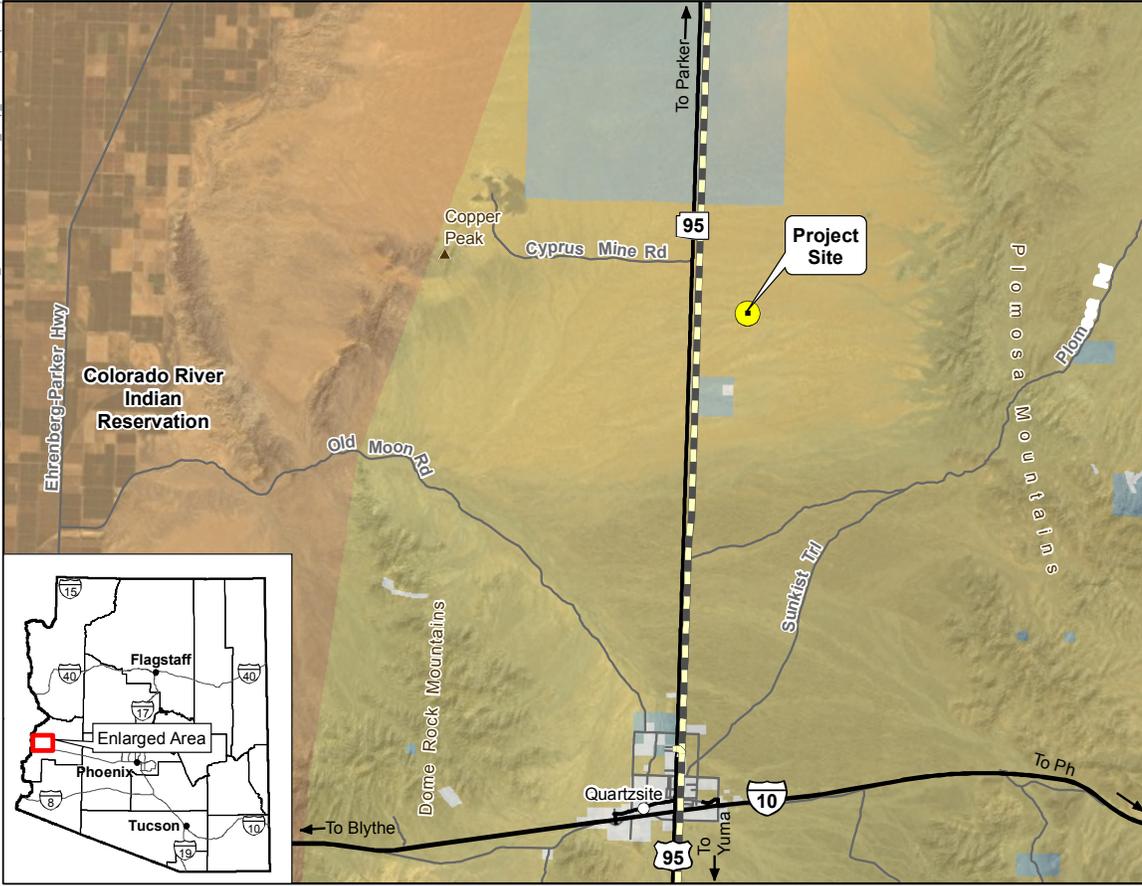
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P.O. BOX 6457

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For more information please visit [www.wapa.gov/transmission/quartzsitesolar.htm](http://www.wapa.gov/transmission/quartzsitesolar.htm)

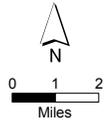


**Project Site:  
Quartzsite Solar  
Energy Project**

**Legend**

- Project Site
  - Transmission Line
  - Interstate/U.S. Highway/State Route
  - Local Road
  - City/Town
- Surface Management**
- Bureau of Land Management
  - Indian Reservation
  - State Trust Land
  - Private Land

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*See inside for important meeting announcement!*

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928-927-3593 Fax

**Quartzsite Historical Society (Museum)**  
P.O. Box 331  
Quartzsite, Arizona 85346  
928-927-5229  
[qhs@rraz.net](mailto:qhs@rraz.net)

**Town of Quartzsite**  
PO Box 2812/465 N. Plymouth Ave.  
Quartzsite, AZ 85346  
928-927-4333  
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**Quartzsite Business Chamber of Commerce**  
101 W Main St  
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**Quartzsite Tourism Bureau**  
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Quartzsite, AZ 85346  
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Carol Kelly, Activity Director, [ckelley@tds.net](mailto:ckelley@tds.net)  
(928) 785-7187 (Carol's cell)

**Quartzsite Improvement Association (QIA)**  
P. O. Box 881  
Quartzsite, AZ 85346-0881  
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**Blue Water Casino**

11300 Resort Dr  
Parker, AZ 85344

**Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk**

Town of Payson  
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Parker, AZ 85344  
928-669-9265

**Parker Community/Senior Center**

1115 12th St.  
Parker, Arizona 85344  
(928) 669-9514

**Parker Public Library**

1001 Navajo Ave.  
Parker, AZ 85344  
Phone (928) 669-2622

## Public Meeting Announcement

Western Area Power Administration (Western) invites you to attend a scoping meeting to help identify the range or scope of issues related to the proposed Quartzsite Solar Energy Project. The issues identified during the scoping process will be considered and addressed during preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement.

*Please plan to attend one of the following meetings.*

**Tuesday January 26**

BLM, Yuma Field Office  
2555 E. Gila Ridge Road  
Yuma, AZ

**Wednesday, January 27**

Blue Water Casino  
11300 Resort Dr  
Parker, AZ

**Thursday, January 28**

Quartzsite Town Hall  
465 N. Plymouth Ave  
Quartzsite, AZ

All meetings will be held between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. with a brief presentation at 6:30 p.m.

The Quartzsite Solar Energy Project involves the proposed construction of a 100MW solar-powered generating facility in La Paz County, approximately 10 miles north of Quartzsite, Arizona. The facility would be located on approximately 1,450 acres of land managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

For more information on the project or how to submit comments, please visit [www.wapa.gov/transmission/quartzsitesolar.htm](http://www.wapa.gov/transmission/quartzsitesolar.htm).





## Public Meeting Announcement

Western Area Power Administration (Western) is holding public scoping meetings to receive comments on a proposed 100MW solar-powered generating facility in La Paz County, approximately 10 miles north of Quartzsite, Arizona. The facility would be located on approximately 1,450 acres of land managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

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All meetings will be held between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. with a brief presentation at 6:30 p.m. For more information please visit [www.wapa.gov/transmission/quartzsitesolar.htm](http://www.wapa.gov/transmission/quartzsitesolar.htm)

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## NEWS FROM WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** Jan. 21, 2010

**CONTACT:** Randy Wilkerson, 720-962-7056, [wilkerson@wapa.gov](mailto:wilkerson@wapa.gov)

### **PUBLIC INVITED TO COMMENT ON PROPOSED SOLAR PROJECT**

LAKEWOOD, Colo. —Western Area Power Administration is asking for public comment on the Quartzsite Solar Energy Project. As lead federal agency, Western will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement to identify potential impacts the project could have on the environment. The Bureau of Land Management is a cooperating agency for the EIS.

Public open house meetings to discuss the project are scheduled for:

**Tuesday, Jan. 26, 6-8 p.m., Yuma, Ariz.** – BLM Yuma Field Office, 2555 E. Gila Ridge Road  
– Presentation at 6:30 pm.

**Wednesday, Jan. 27, 6-8 p.m., Parker, Ariz.** – Blue Water Casino, 11300 Resort Drive –  
Presentation at 6:30 pm.

**Wednesday, Jan. 27, 6-8 p.m., Quartzsite, Ariz.** – Town Hall Council Chambers, 465 N.  
Plymouth Avenue – Presentation at 6:30 pm.

Proposed by Quartzsite Solar Energy, LLC (QSE), a subsidiary of SolarReserve, the 100-megawatt solar facility would be located on approximately 1,450 acres of BLM administered land in La Paz County, about 10 miles north of Quartzsite, Arizona. QSE has submitted an application to interconnect the facility with Western's power transmission system.

The project would include a solar field with up to 17,500 mirrors arranged in a circular pattern around a central tower. The mirrors reflect the sun's energy onto the tower and steam is created, which then powers a conventional steam turbine generator. The 538-foot concrete tower is topped with a 100-foot solar receiver and maintenance crane (for a total height of 653 feet).

Public meetings are being held during a 30-day scoping period. While Western invites the public to comment throughout the project, to be analyzed in the EIS, comments and issues must be submitted by February 15, 2010. Comments may be mailed to Ms. Mary Barger, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Document Manager, Western Area Power Administration, Desert Southwest Region, P.O. Box 6457, 615 S. 43rd Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85005 or e-mail [quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov](mailto:quartzsitesolarEIS@wapa.gov).

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Western Area Power Administration annually markets and transmits more than 10,000 megawatts of clean, renewable power from hydroelectric powerplants owned and operated by the Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 15 western and central states. It is part of the Department of Energy.

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