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April 24, 2020

Andy Reddock
Superintendent
Flatonia Independent School District
400 E 4th St.
Flatonia, Texas 78941

Re: Certificate for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations taxes by and between Flatonia Independent School District and 7V Solar Ranch, LLC, Application 1446

Dear Superintendent Reddock:

On February 13, 2020, the Comptroller issued written notice that 7V Solar Ranch, LLC (applicant) submitted a completed application (Application 1446) for a limitation on appraised value under the provisions of Tax Code Chapter 313.¹ This application was originally submitted on October 21, 2019, to the Flatonia Independent School District (school district) by the applicant.

This presents the results of the Comptroller's review of the application and determinations required:

- 1) under Section 313.025(h) to determine if the property meets the requirements of Section 313.024 for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313, Subchapter C; and
- 2) under Section 313.025(d), to issue a certificate for a limitation on appraised value of the property and provide the certificate to the governing body of the school district or provide the governing body a written explanation of the Comptroller's decision not to issue a certificate, using the criteria set out in Section 313.026.

Determination required by 313.025(h)

Sec. 313.024(a) Applicant is subject to tax imposed by Chapter 171.
Sec. 313.024(b) Applicant is proposing to use the property for an eligible project.

¹ All Statutory references are to the Texas Tax Code, unless otherwise noted.

Sec. 313.024(d) Applicant has requested a waiver to create the required number of new qualifying jobs and pay all jobs created that are not qualifying jobs a wage that exceeds the county average weekly wage for all jobs in the county where the jobs are located.

Sec. 313.024(d-2) Not applicable to Application 1446.

Based on the information provided by the applicant, the Comptroller has determined that the property meets the requirements of Section 313.024 for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313, Subchapter C.

Certificate decision required by 313.025(d)

Determination required by 313.026(c)(1)

The Comptroller has determined that the project proposed by the applicant is reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the school district's maintenance and operations *ad valorem tax* revenue lost as a result of the agreement before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period, see Attachment B.

Determination required by 313.026(c)(2)

The Comptroller has determined that the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state, see Attachment C.

Based on these determinations, the Comptroller issues a certificate for a limitation on appraised value. This certificate is contingent on the school district's receipt and acceptance of the Texas Education Agency's determination per 313.025(b-1).

The Comptroller's review of the application assumes the accuracy and completeness of the statements in the application. If the application is approved by the school district, the applicant shall perform according to the provisions of the Texas Economic Development Act Agreement (Form 50-826) executed with the school district. The school district shall comply with and enforce the stipulations, provisions, terms, and conditions of the agreement, applicable Texas Administrative Code and Chapter 313, per TAC 9.1054(i)(3).

This certificate is no longer valid if the application is modified, the information presented in the application changes, or the limitation agreement does not conform to the application. Additionally, this certificate is contingent on the school district approving and executing the agreement by December 31, 2020.

Note that any building or improvement existing as of the application review start date of February 13, 2020, or any tangible personal property placed in service prior to that date may not become "Qualified Property" as defined by 313.021(2) and the Texas Administrative Code.

Should you have any questions, please contact Will Counihan, Director, Data Analysis & Transparency, by email at will.counihan@cpa.texas.gov or by phone toll-free at 1-800-531-5441, ext. 6-0758, or at 512-936-0758.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:

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Lisa Craven
Deputy Comptroller

Enclosure

cc: Will Counihan

Attachment A - Economic Impact Analysis

The following tables summarize the Comptroller's economic impact analysis of 7V Solar Ranch, LLC (project) applying to Flatonia Independent School District (district), as required by Tax Code, 313.026 and Texas Administrative Code 9.1055(d)(2).

Table 1 is a summary of investment, employment and tax impact of 7V Solar Ranch, LLC.

Applicant	7V Solar Ranch, LLC
Tax Code, 313.024 Eligibility Category	Renewable Energy - Solar
School District	Flatonia ISD
2018-2019 Average Daily Attendance	553
County	Fayette
Proposed Total Investment in District	\$140,000,000
Proposed Qualified Investment	\$140,000,000
Limitation Amount	\$20,000,000
Qualifying Time Period (Full Years)	2021-2022
Number of new qualifying jobs committed to by applicant	1*
Number of new non-qualifying jobs estimated by applicant	0
Average weekly wage of qualifying jobs committed to by applicant	\$819
Minimum weekly wage required for each qualifying job by Tax Code, 313.021(5)(B)	\$819
Minimum annual wage committed to by applicant for qualified jobs	\$42,585
Minimum weekly wage required for non-qualifying jobs	\$802
Minimum annual wage required for non-qualifying jobs	\$41,704
Investment per Qualifying Job	\$140,000,000
Estimated M&O levy without any limit (15 years)	\$9,761,829
Estimated M&O levy with Limitation (15 years)	\$3,937,500
Estimated gross M&O tax benefit (15 years)	\$5,824,329

* Applicant is requesting district to waive requirement to create minimum number of qualifying jobs pursuant to Tax Code, 313.025 (f-1).

Table 2 is the estimated statewide economic impact of 7V Solar Ranch, LLC (modeled).

Year	Employment			Personal Income		
	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total
2021	300	364	664	\$15,000,000	\$34,487,000	\$49,487,000
2022	300	378	678.374	\$15,000,000	\$40,644,000	\$55,644,000
2023	1	42	43	\$42,585	\$9,542,415	\$9,585,000
2024	1	13	14	\$42,585	\$5,675,415	\$5,718,000
2025	1	(13)	-12	\$42,585	\$2,507,415	\$2,550,000
2026	1	(23)	-22	\$42,585	\$661,415	\$704,000
2027	1	(25)	-24	\$42,585	-\$255,585	-\$213,000
2028	1	(22)	-21	\$42,585	-\$518,585	-\$476,000
2029	1	(16)	-15	\$42,585	-\$386,585	-\$344,000
2030	1	(10)	-9	\$42,585	-\$56,585	-\$14,000
2031	1	(4)	-3	\$42,585	\$369,415	\$412,000
2032	1	0	1	\$42,585	\$813,415	\$856,000
2033	1	4	5	\$42,585	\$1,204,415	\$1,247,000
2034	1	7	8	\$42,585	\$1,531,415	\$1,574,000
2035	1	8	9	\$42,585	\$1,777,415	\$1,820,000
2036	1	9	10	\$42,585	\$1,921,415	\$1,964,000
2037	1	9	10	\$42,585	\$1,943,415	\$1,986,000

Source: CPA REMI, 7V Solar Ranch, LLC

Table 3 examines the estimated direct impact on ad valorem taxes to the region if all taxes are assessed.

Year	Estimated Taxable Value for I&S	Estimated Taxable Value for M&O	Tax Rate*	Flatonia ISD I&S Tax Levy	Flatonia ISD M&O Tax Levy	Flatonia ISD M&O and I&S Tax Levies	Fayette County Tax Levy	GWCD Tax Levy	Estimated Total Property Taxes
				0.1400	1.0500		0.4640	0.1190	
2022	\$35,000,000	\$35,000,000		\$49,000	\$367,500	\$416,500	\$162,400	\$41,650	\$620,550
2023	\$130,340,000	\$130,340,000		\$182,476	\$1,368,570	\$1,551,046	\$604,778	\$155,105	\$2,310,928
2024	\$119,896,000	\$119,896,000		\$167,854	\$1,258,908	\$1,426,762	\$556,317	\$142,676	\$2,125,756
2025	\$108,626,000	\$108,626,000		\$152,076	\$1,140,573	\$1,292,649	\$504,025	\$129,265	\$1,925,939
2026	\$96,446,000	\$96,446,000		\$135,024	\$1,012,683	\$1,147,707	\$447,509	\$114,771	\$1,709,988
2027	\$83,300,000	\$83,300,000		\$116,620	\$874,650	\$991,270	\$386,512	\$99,127	\$1,476,909
2028	\$69,104,000	\$69,104,000		\$96,746	\$725,592	\$822,338	\$320,643	\$82,234	\$1,225,214
2029	\$53,774,000	\$53,774,000		\$75,284	\$564,627	\$639,911	\$249,511	\$63,991	\$953,413
2030	\$37,212,000	\$37,212,000		\$52,097	\$390,726	\$442,823	\$172,664	\$44,282	\$659,769
2031	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2032	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2033	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2034	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2035	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2036	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2030	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
			Total	\$1,301,577	\$9,761,829	\$11,063,406	\$4,313,799	\$1,106,341	\$16,483,546

Source: CPA, 7V Solar Ranch, LLC

*Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

Table 4 examines the estimated direct impact on ad valorem taxes to the school district and Fayette County, with all property tax incentives sought being granted using estimated market value from the application. The project has applied for a value limitation under Chapter 313, Tax Code and tax abatement with the county.

The difference noted in the last line is the difference between the totals in Table 3 and Table 4.

Year	Estimated Taxable Value for I&S	Estimated Taxable Value for M&O		Flatonia ISD I&S Tax Levy	Flatonia ISD M&O Tax Levy	Flatonia ISD M&O and I&S Tax Levies	Fayette County Tax Levy	GWCD Tax Levy	Estimated Total Property Taxes
			Tax Rate*	0.1400	1.0500		0.4640	0.1190	
2022	\$35,000,000	\$35,000,000		\$49,000	\$367,500	\$416,500	\$40,600	\$41,650	\$498,750
2023	\$130,340,000	\$20,000,000		\$182,476	\$210,000	\$392,476	\$151,194	\$155,105	\$698,775
2024	\$119,896,000	\$20,000,000		\$167,854	\$210,000	\$377,854	\$139,079	\$142,676	\$659,610
2025	\$108,626,000	\$20,000,000		\$152,076	\$210,000	\$362,076	\$126,006	\$129,265	\$617,348
2026	\$96,446,000	\$20,000,000		\$135,024	\$210,000	\$345,024	\$111,877	\$114,771	\$571,673
2027	\$83,300,000	\$20,000,000		\$116,620	\$210,000	\$326,620	\$96,628	\$99,127	\$522,375
2028	\$69,104,000	\$20,000,000		\$96,746	\$210,000	\$306,746	\$80,161	\$82,234	\$469,140
2029	\$53,774,000	\$20,000,000		\$75,284	\$210,000	\$285,284	\$62,378	\$63,991	\$411,653
2030	\$37,212,000	\$20,000,000		\$52,097	\$210,000	\$262,097	\$43,166	\$44,282	\$349,545
2031	\$28,000,000	\$20,000,000		\$39,200	\$210,000	\$249,200	\$32,480	\$33,320	\$315,000
2032	\$28,000,000	\$20,000,000		\$39,200	\$210,000	\$249,200	\$32,480	\$33,320	\$315,000
2033	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2034	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2035	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2036	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
2037	\$28,000,000	\$28,000,000		\$39,200	\$294,000	\$333,200	\$129,920	\$33,320	\$496,440
			Total	\$1,301,577	\$3,937,500	\$5,239,077	\$1,565,650	\$1,106,341	\$7,911,068
			Diff	\$0	\$5,824,329	\$5,824,329	\$2,748,149	\$0	\$8,572,478
Assumes School Value Limitation and Tax Abatements with the County.									

Source: CPA, 7V Solar Ranch, LLC

*Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

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Attachment B – Tax Revenue before 25th Anniversary of Limitation Start

This represents the Comptroller’s determination that 7V Solar Ranch, LLC (project) is reasonably likely to generate, before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period, tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the agreement. This evaluation is based on an analysis of the estimated M&O portion of the school district property tax levy directly related to this project, using estimated taxable values provided in the application.

	Tax Year	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Generated (Annual)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Generated (Cumulative)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Loss as Result of Agreement (Annual)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Loss as Result of Agreement (Cumulative)
Limitation Pre-Years	2020	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	2021	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	2022	\$367,500	\$367,500	\$0	\$0
Limitation Period (10 Years)	2023	\$210,000	\$577,500	\$1,158,570	\$1,158,570
	2024	\$210,000	\$787,500	\$1,048,908	\$2,207,478
	2025	\$210,000	\$997,500	\$930,573	\$3,138,051
	2026	\$210,000	\$1,207,500	\$802,683	\$3,940,734
	2027	\$210,000	\$1,417,500	\$664,650	\$4,605,384
	2028	\$210,000	\$1,627,500	\$515,592	\$5,120,976
	2029	\$210,000	\$1,837,500	\$354,627	\$5,475,603
	2030	\$210,000	\$2,047,500	\$180,726	\$5,656,329
	2031	\$210,000	\$2,257,500	\$84,000	\$5,740,329
	2032	\$210,000	\$2,467,500	\$84,000	\$5,824,329
Maintain Viable Presence (5 Years)	2033	\$294,000	\$2,761,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2034	\$294,000	\$3,055,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2035	\$294,000	\$3,349,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2036	\$294,000	\$3,643,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2037	\$294,000	\$3,937,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
Additional Years as Required by 313.026(c)(1) (10 Years)	2038	\$294,000	\$4,231,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2039	\$294,000	\$4,525,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2040	\$294,000	\$4,819,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2041	\$294,000	\$5,113,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2042	\$294,000	\$5,407,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2043	\$294,000	\$5,701,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2044	\$294,000	\$5,995,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2045	\$294,000	\$6,289,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2046	\$294,000	\$6,583,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
	2047	\$294,000	\$6,877,500	\$0	\$5,824,329
		\$6,877,500	is greater than	\$5,824,329	
Analysis Summary					
Is the project reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the M&O levy loss as a result of the limitation agreement?					Yes

Source: CPA, 7V Solar Ranch, LLC

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Attachment C – Limitation as a Determining Factor

Tax Code 313.026 states that the Comptroller may not issue a certificate for a limitation on appraised value under this chapter for property described in an application unless the comptroller determines that “the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state.” This represents the basis for the Comptroller’s determination.

Methodology

Texas Administrative Code 9.1055(d) states the Comptroller shall review any information available to the Comptroller including:

- the application, including the responses to the questions in Section 8 (Limitation as a Determining Factor);
- public documents or statements by the applicant concerning business operations or site location issues or in which the applicant is a subject;
- statements by officials of the applicant, public documents or statements by governmental or industry officials concerning business operations or site location issues;
- existing investment and operations at or near the site or in the state that may impact the proposed project;
- announced real estate transactions, utility records, permit requests, industry publications or other sources that may provide information helpful in making the determination; and
- market information, raw materials or other production inputs, availability, existing facility locations, committed incentives, infrastructure issues, utility issues, location of buyers, nature of market, supply chains, other known sites under consideration.

Determination

The Comptroller **has determined** that the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the 7V Solar Ranch, LLC’s decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state. This is based on information available, including information provided by the applicant. Specifically, the comptroller notes the following:

- Per 7V Solar Ranch, LLC in Tab 5 of their Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value:
 - A. “The Applicant is an national solar developer with the ability to locate projects of this type and other types of projects in other states within the United States. The Applicant is actively assessing and developing other projects that are competing for limited investment funds. The appraised value limitation is critical to the ability of the Project to move forward as currently sited. Examples of the Applicant’s other project locations that are competing with the Project for funding include: Maricopa County, AZ, Pinal County, Arizona, Bernalillo County NM, Pueblo County, CO, San Isabel County, CO, Kern County CA. ”
- According to *KWHI.com* dated August 22, 2019, “A solar power developer is making plans to bring a large-scale renewable energy project to Fayette County. Representatives from Candela Renewables, a utility-scale solar power plant developer, recently met with Fayette County Commissioners to inform them of their plans for a 1,500 acre solar power farm. The company is working on securing the acreage south of Muldoon to build the “7V Solar Ranch. Candela says it has already applied for an interconnection request through the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), who oversees the state’s electric grid. It plans to start construction in June 2021, and commercial operations in June 2022.”
- August 20, 2019 *The Fayette County Record* article states. “A solar power developer wants to bring a 200 megawatt green energy project to Fayette County. Candela Renewables, a utility-scale solar power developer, is in the process of securing 1,500 acres in the Muldoon area to build what they are calling the 7V Solar Ranch.”
- The 7V Solar Ranch, LLC is not known by any other project names. The Project has applied to ERCOT and the IGNR number is 211NR0351 and was assigned on May 10, 2019.

Supporting Information

- a) Section 8 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- b) Attachments provided in Tab 5 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- c) Additional information provided by the Applicant or located by the Comptroller

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Attachment C – Limitation as a Determining Factor

Supporting Information

**Section 8 of the Application for
a Limitation on Appraised Value**

SECTION 6: Eligibility Under Tax Code Chapter 313.024

1. Are you an entity subject to the tax under Tax Code, Chapter 171? Yes No
2. The property will be used for one of the following activities:
 - (1) manufacturing Yes No
 - (2) research and development Yes No
 - (3) a clean coal project, as defined by Section 5.001, Water Code Yes No
 - (4) an advanced clean energy project, as defined by Section 382.003, Health and Safety Code Yes No
 - (5) renewable energy electric generation Yes No
 - (6) electric power generation using integrated gasification combined cycle technology Yes No
 - (7) nuclear electric power generation Yes No
 - (8) a computer center that is used as an integral part or as a necessary auxiliary part for the activity conducted by applicant in one or more activities described by Subdivisions (1) through (7) Yes No
 - (9) a Texas Priority Project, as defined by 313.024(e)(7) and TAC 9.1051 Yes No
3. Are you requesting that any of the land be classified as qualified investment? Yes No
4. Will any of the proposed qualified investment be leased under a capitalized lease? Yes No
5. Will any of the proposed qualified investment be leased under an operating lease? Yes No
6. Are you including property that is owned by a person other than the applicant? Yes No
7. Will any property be pooled or proposed to be pooled with property owned by the applicant in determining the amount of your qualified investment? Yes No

SECTION 7: Project Description

1. In **Tab 4**, attach a detailed description of the scope of the proposed project, including, at a minimum, the type and planned use of real and tangible personal property, the nature of the business, a timeline for property construction or installation, and any other relevant information.
2. Check the project characteristics that apply to the proposed project:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land has no existing improvements	<input type="checkbox"/> Land has existing improvements <i>(complete Section 13)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Expansion of existing operation on the land <i>(complete Section 13)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Relocation within Texas

SECTION 8: Limitation as Determining Factor

1. Does the applicant currently own the land on which the proposed project will occur? Yes No
2. Has the applicant entered into any agreements, contracts or letters of intent related to the proposed project? Yes No
3. Does the applicant have current business activities at the location where the proposed project will occur? Yes No
4. Has the applicant made public statements in SEC filings or other documents regarding its intentions regarding the proposed project location? Yes No
5. Has the applicant received any local or state permits for activities on the proposed project site? Yes No
6. Has the applicant received commitments for state or local incentives for activities at the proposed project site? Yes No
7. Is the applicant evaluating other locations not in Texas for the proposed project? Yes No
8. Has the applicant provided capital investment or return on investment information for the proposed project in comparison with other alternative investment opportunities? Yes No
9. Has the applicant provided information related to the applicant's inputs, transportation and markets for the proposed project? Yes No
10. Are you submitting information to assist in the determination as to whether the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in Texas? Yes No

Chapter 313.026(e) states "the applicant may submit information to the Comptroller that would provide a basis for an affirmative determination under Subsection (c)(2)." If you answered "yes" to any of the questions in Section 8, attach supporting information in Tab 5.

Attachment C – Limitation as a Determining Factor

Supporting Information

**Attachments provided in Tab 5
of the Application for a
Limitation on Appraised Value**



7V Solar Ranch, LLC
Chapter 313 Application to Flatonia ISD

CHECKLIST ITEM #5

Documentation to assist in determining if limitation is a determining factor.

2. Has the applicant entered into any agreements, contracts or letters of intent related to the proposed project?

The Applicant for this Project has entered into a number of contracts related to the Project, including long-term lease option agreements with area landowners, contracts with environmental consultants to assess the suitability of the site, and a request for studies leading to an interconnection agreement with the transmission provider.

None of the current Project agreements firmly commit the Applicant to the development of the Project. A number of variables remain undetermined at this stage, including the approval of this application. The Applicant could still elect to devote resources to other projects that it has in development.

7. Is the applicant evaluating other locations not in Texas for the proposed project?

The Applicant is a national solar developer with the ability to locate projects of this type and other types of projects in other states within the United States. The Applicant is actively assessing and developing other projects that are competing for limited investment funds. The appraised value limitation is critical to the ability of the Project to move forward as currently sited. Examples of the Applicant's other project locations that are competing with the Project for funding include:

- **Maricopa County, AZ**
- **Pinal County, Arizona**
- **Bernalillo County, NM**
- **Pueblo County, CO**
- **San Isabel County, CO**
- **Kern County, CA**

Attachment C - Limitation as a Determining Factor

Supporting Information

Additional information
provided by the Applicant or
located by the Comptroller

COMPTROLLER QUERY RELATED TO TAX CODE CHAPTER 313.026(c)(2)
–Flatonia ISD– 7V Solar Ranch, LLC App. #1446

Comptroller Questions (via email on December 17, 2019):

Applicant Response (via email on January 22, 2020):

1. *Is 7V Solar Ranch, LLC currently known by any other project names?*

No

2. *Has this project applied to ERCOT at this time? If so, please provide the project's IGNR number and date it was assigned.*

Yes. The IGNR is 21INR0351 and was assigned on May 10, 2019.

3. *Please also list any other names by which this project may have been known in the past – in media reports, investor presentations, or any listings with any federal or state agency.*

None.

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By: **Andy Behlen**

A solar power developer wants to bring a 200 megawatt green energy project to Fayette County.

Candela Renewables, a utility-scale solar power developer, is in the process of securing 1,500 acres in the Muldoon area to build what they are calling the 7V Solar Ranch. The company is working with the Rightmer family of Muldoon, which owns a portion of land where the facility may be built.

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SOLAR POWER FARM PLANNED IN FAYETTE CO.

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A solar power developer is making plans to bring a large-scale renewable energy project to Fayette County.

Representatives from Candela Renewables, a utility-scale solar power plant developer, recently met with Fayette County Commissioners to inform them of their plans for a 1,500 acre solar power farm.



The company is working on securing the acreage south of Muldoon to build the “7V Solar Ranch”. It is working with the Rightmer family of Muldoon, which owns part of the land that the facility could be built on.

Candela officials say the 7V Solar Ranch will be capable of providing 200 megawatts in green energy. The project could potentially add \$180 million to local tax rolls, including the Flatonia school district, where the site would be located. Payments to the school district would not be subject to recapture by the state.

The company expects to provide 300 temporary jobs and spend around \$10 million locally

during construction. It says it intends to bring in local workers for the project, and encourage local contractors to bid on construction contracts.

Candela says it has already applied for an interconnection request through the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), who oversees the state's electric grid. It plans to start construction in June 2021, and commercial operations in June 2022.

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