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## **Public Works News Release**

### **Bishop Invites Comments on Solar Project**

The City of Bishop invites comments on the environmental study for its Well and Sewer Plant Solar project. The \$600,000 project will add solar arrays at two city well sites and at the city sewage treatment plant. These arrays would provide most of the power used by the wells and sewage plant, would save the city about \$60,000 per year in electricity costs, and reduce carbon dioxide emissions by about 470,000 pounds per year.

One 5,000 square foot solar array would be constructed at the city's Well 2 site near the Tri-county Fairgrounds, one 11,000 square foot solar array would be constructed at the city's Well 4 site on West Line Street near Mummy Lane, and two arrays with a combined area of about 12,500 square feet would be constructed at the sewage treatment plant about 1/2 mile east of the Bishop Creek Canal.

An environmental document called an Initial Study has been prepared for the project. The document describes the project in detail and is available on the City of Bishop website at <http://www.ca-bishop.us/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/SolarIS.pdf>. This document identifies and evaluates potential environmental impacts of the project and suggests the project will not have a significant adverse environmental impact.

The study was released for public review 31 March and comments are due 1 May. The City Council is scheduled to hold a public hearing on the study at its regular meeting 27 April and is expected to adopt the environmental document at their meeting 11 May. Construction of the project is expected in the fall of 2015.

Contact the City of Bishop Department of Public Works at City Hall or [publicworks@ca-bishop.us](mailto:publicworks@ca-bishop.us) or 760-873-8458 for more information or to provide comment on the project or environmental document.