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Public Works News Release Bishop Solar Construction Starts Soon

Construction of the City of Bishop's solar project is expected to start this week with the first material arriving at the project's three work sites. The \$600,000 project will add solar arrays at two city well sites and at the city sewage treatment plant. These arrays will provide most of the power used by the wells and sewage plant, will save the city about \$60,000 per year in electricity costs, and will reduce carbon dioxide emissions by about 470,000 pounds per year.

One 5,000 square foot solar array will be constructed at the city's Well 2 site near the Tri-county Fairgrounds, one 11,000 square foot solar array will 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 will be constructed at the sewage treatment plant about 1/2 mile east of the Bishop Creek Canal.

Construction is expected to start this week and continue into January. At the wastewater treatment plant east of Bishop and at Well 2 near the fairgrounds, construction will include driving posts into the ground to mount the solar panels. Sound from driving the posts will probably be heard outside of these sites and is expected between 7 am and 7 pm workdays. Post driving is expected to last 1 or 2 weeks.

Contact the City of Bishop Department of Public Works at City Hall or publicworks@cityofbishop.com or 760-873-8458 for more information.