

November 17, 2021

## Invitation to Learn About the Proving Ground Solar+Storage Project

Dear Interested Party,

This letter serves as notice of and invites you to learn about and provide input on the proposed Proving Ground Solar+Storage Project.

Strata Clean Energy, LLC (Strata) is planning to build Proving Ground Solar+Storage, a 250-megawatt (MW) photovoltaic solar power facility with battery storage (project), an approximately 6-mile-long generation intertie transmission line (gen-tie), a step-up substation, and an interconnection from the step-up substation to the Arizona Public Service Hoodoo Wash Substation on the north side of Palomas Road, north of Dateland, Arizona. The interconnection is an approximately 2,500-foot-long, 500-kilovolt (kV) transmission line. The project will be located on approximately 2,050 acres of privately owned land and the gen-tie and step-up substation will be located on rights-of-way from the Arizona State Land Department and Bureau of Land Management.

Strata is required to apply for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility (CEC) from the Arizona Corporation Commission and Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line and Siting Committee to allow for construction and operation of the step-up substation and 500-kV interconnection transmission line, which would connect the project gen-tie to the existing Hoodoo Wash Substation. Strata is currently assessing two route options for the 500-kV interconnection transmission line (see attached map).

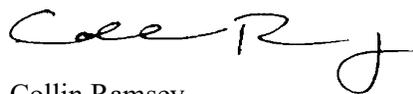
As part of the CEC process, Strata is hosting an open house meeting to present the CEC process, answer questions, and receive comments. The open house details are below:

- **Date:** Wednesday, December 8, 2021
- **Time:** 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.
- **Location:** Dateland Elementary School, 1300 Avenue 64E, Dateland, Arizona.

Please visit the website at <https://www.swcavirtualpublicinvolvement.com/proving-ground> for more information and to provide electronic comments. Comments can also be mailed to Collin Ramsey, Strata Clean Energy, LLC, 800 Taylor St., Suite 200 Durham, NC 27701. Questions or comments can be emailed to [ProvingGroundSolar@SWCA.com](mailto:ProvingGroundSolar@SWCA.com) or left by voicemail at (888) 674-0962. The project team will promptly return your correspondence.

The comment period will extend from November 17, 2021, to December 15, 2021. If you have further questions, please contact the project manager, Collin Ramsey, at 919-960-6015 or [cramsey@stratacleanenergy.com](mailto:cramsey@stratacleanenergy.com). We look forward to receiving your comments and seeing you at the open house.

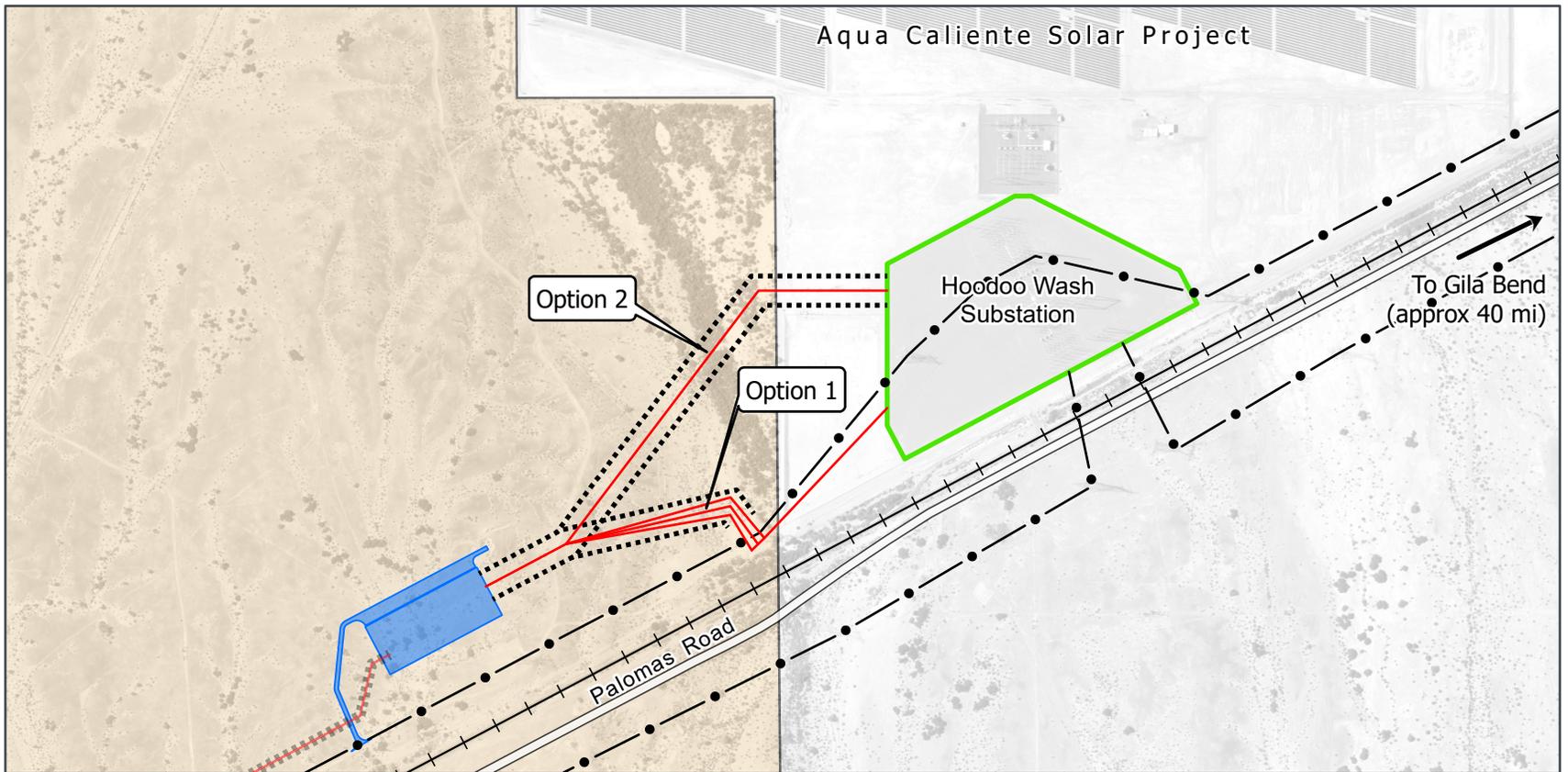
Sincerely,



Collin Ramsey  
Project Manager  
Strata Clean Energy

Attachment (map)

# Aqua Caliente Solar Project



PROVING GROUND SOLAR PROJECT

### Project Features

- Proposed 500 kV Interconnection
- Proposed Substation
- Proposed Easement
- Proposed Gen-tie

### Existing Facilities

- Existing Powerline
- Hoodoo Wash Substation

### Ownership

- Private
- Bureau of Land Management

### Reference Features

- Road
- Railroad

Yuma County, AZ  
 USGS 7.5' Quadrangle:  
 Horn & Aztec NW, AZ  
 T5S, R12W, Sections 33, 34  
 NAD 1983 StatePlane AZ West  
 113.493°W 32.953°N

Base Map: ESRI ArcGIS Online,  
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