#### **Redemeyer Road Solar Project**

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**Byron Hot Springs Road Solar** Contra Costa County, CA



### **Solar Overview**





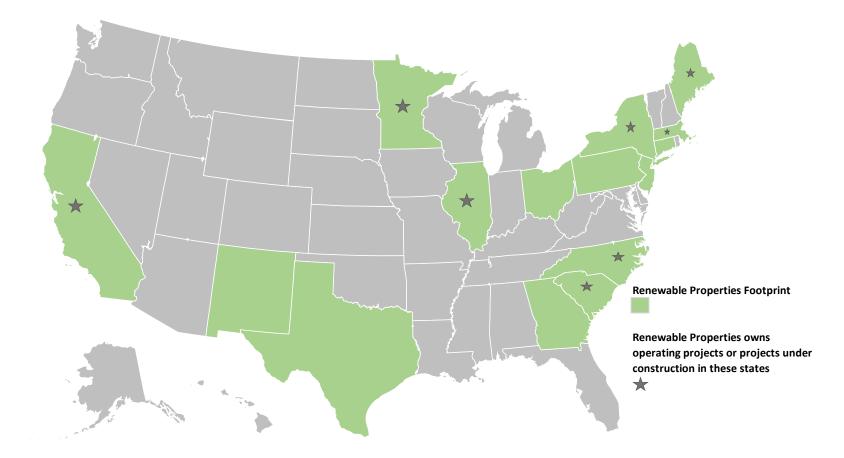




# **Renewable Properties**

- A national developer, financier, owner, and operator of community solar PV and energy storage projects
  - Headquartered in San Francisco
  - 50+ employees
- Development Pipeline
  - excess of 1 GWs across 14 states
- Construction Pipeline
  - 9 projects currently in construction in 4 states
- Operational Projects
  - 26 projects in operation totaling over 110 MW of capacity operating in 7 states
- California Experience
  - 6 operational projects, 26 MW
  - 2 under-construction projects, 15 MW
- Core Values
  - Work closely and collaboratively with communities, landowners, and utilities
  - Principals have a combined 40+ years of solar development and finance experience across 1,000 MWs of solar facilities

### **Renewable Properties Geographic Footprint**



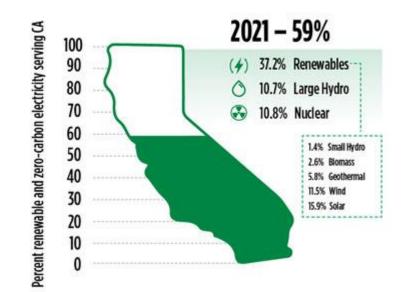


# **California State Solar**

#### California State Goal

- In September 2018, Governor Brown signed the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program (SB 100) into law
- Among many goals, codified CA's energy portfolio a target at 60% renewable by 2030 and 100% renewable by 2045.
- In September 2022, Governor Newsom signed The Clean Energy, Jobs and Affordability Act of 2022 (SB 1020) into law.
- Defined new interim goals for the state energy portfolio to hit 90% renewable by 2035 and 95% renewable by 2040. Maintained overall goal of 100% by 2045.

#### California Progress Toward 100% Clean Electricity by 2045





#### **Sonoma Clean Power Program Overview**



#### • Sonoma Clean Power (SCP)

- Mendocino and Sonoma County's Community Choice Aggregator (CCA)
- SCP serves the residents and businesses in Sonoma and Mendocino counties clean energy from more renewable resources, such as geothermal, wind, and solar
- SCP was formed to provide a choice beyond the for-profit, investor-owned utility (PG&E) and a customer-owned public utility

#### Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)

• Renewable Properties has entered into a long-term Power Purchase Agreement with Sonoma Clean Power for the proposed Redemeyer Road Solar + Storage project to provide locally generated energy to SCP's clean power generation mix



#### how it works



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### **Sonoma Clean Power Program Overview**



- **Pioneering Initiative**: Established in 2014, EverGreen is Sonoma Clean Power's (SCP) 100% local renewable energy supply program.
  - EverGreen is the first program of its kind in California, offering 100% local, renewable 24x7 energy supply.
- Environmental Benefits: By utilizing entirely renewable resources, EverGreen significantly reduces carbon emissions and promotes sustainability, helping to combat climate change.
- Local Impact: The program directly benefits the residents of Mendocino County by providing them with a reliable, green energy alternative.
  - This not only supports the local economy by keeping energy investments within the community, but also enhances energy independence and resilience.
- **Community Engagement**: Participation in EverGreen helps foster a community committed to environmental stewardship, paving the way for a cleaner, greener future for all residents.



# **Solar Site Selection Process**

Market strategy and entry analysis

#### • Site specific characteristics

- No flood zones
  - Topography / Aspect
  - $\circ$  Site access
  - $\circ$  Known critical habitat / Sensitive species
  - Proximity to the grid
  - Wetlands
- Grid analysis / ability to cost effectively connect
- Willing landowners / economics have to work
- Significant amount of time, energy and resources invested



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### **Project Details**



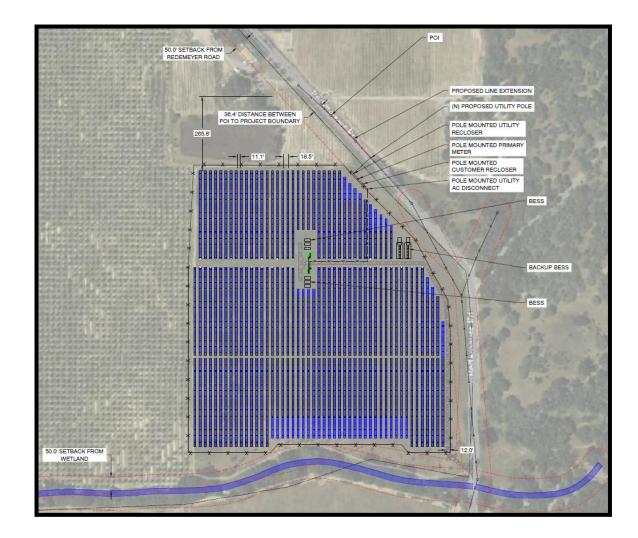
## **Project Overview – Redemeyer Road Solar**

- Location:
  - 2350 & 2550 Redemeyer Road
  - APNs: 178-050-01, 178-170-01 & 178-170-02
  - Vacant land formerly used as a commercial vineyard
- Project Acreage:
  - 20± acres of project development
- Generating Capacity:
  - 4MWac PV + BESS
- Land Use:
  - Zoning: AG-40
  - General Plan: AG
    - (Agricultural Lands)





### Site Plan – Redemeyer Road Solar





# **Project Overview – Redemeyer Road Solar**

#### • Agricultural Compatibility:

The Project would not:

- 1. Convert agricultural or forest land to non-forest or nonagricultural uses;
- 2. Conflict with a Williamson Act contract; or
- 3. Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural or forest uses.
- Project Site is classified as "Grazing Land" by FMMP
- Project area is not currently subject to a Williamson Act contract
- Agency Coordination and sign off:
  - CDFW
  - Ukiah Valley Fire District
  - Local Tribes
  - Mendocino County Interdepartmental Review







### Conclusion



### **RP Projects**



### American Canyon Solar

American Canyon, Napa County, California Project Size: 20± Acres System Size: 3 MW AC Existing Land Use: Agricultural



### **RP Projects**



### Slayton Settlement Solar

Town of Lockport, Niagara County, New York Project Size: 44± Acres System Size: 7 MW AC Existing Land Use: Agricultural



### **RP Projects**



### **Bullis Road Solar**

Town of Marilla, Erie County, New York Project Size: 21± Acres System Size: 4.5 MW AC Existing Land Use: Agricultural



# **Importance of Renewable Energy**

- Key points to consider
  - Time it took to get here
  - SB 100 100% goal
  - Solar is a low impact development
  - Complies with Mendocino County zoning ordinance
  - Project is late stage and ready to start construction by Q1 of 2025 (near term impact on climate change)
  - Climate change is a global problem that requires local solutions
  - This project is an opportunity for Mendocino County to be part of the solution



# Thank you!



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