# WEST PARCEL SOLAR Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

MT. SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE // 16 SEPTEMBER 2015

The Mt. SAC Promise is our commitment to our students and community to provide quality facilities, current technology and a campus environment that fosters innovative instruction and learning well into the 21st century.

### AGENDA

### West Parcel Solar Project:

- Project Overview
- Funding Sources
- Costs
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- Environmental Permits
- Conceptual Array Layout
- Line of Sight + Photo Simulations
- Next Steps

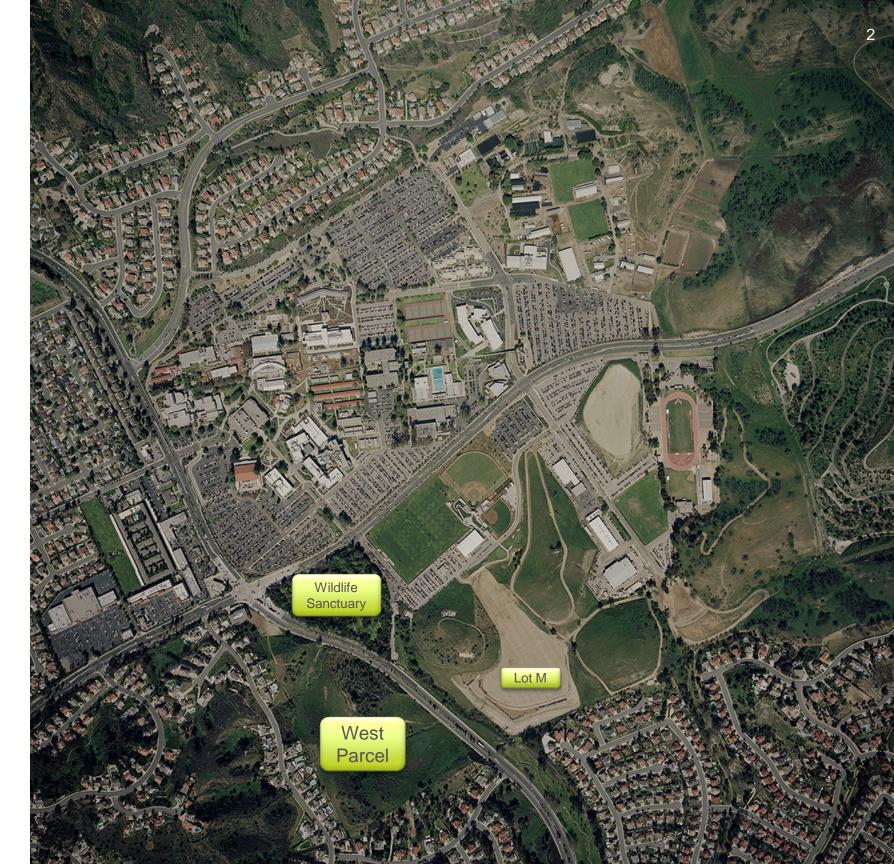




### SOLAR PROJECT OVERVIEW

- The Solar Project is located on Mt.SAC's property, referred to as the "West Parcel," southwest of Grand and Temple Avenues.
- The Project provides a 2.2MW ground-mounted solar photovoltaic system.
- Resolution 15-01 recommends approval of design-build agreement with Borrego Solar Systems, Inc.











### WEST PARCEL SOLAR PROJECT

### Funding Sources



### SOLAR PROJECT COSTS

### \$5.3M Project Cost of Acquisition and Installation of the Solar Panels:

- \$3.0M Proposition 39 Loan
  - California Energy Commission (CEC)
    - Approval of Borrego Solar Systems, Inc. contract
- \$1.7M Proposition 39 (California Clean Energy Jobs Act) Grant Funds
- \$759K Southern California Edison (SCE) Incentives
  - California Solar Initiative (CSI)
  - o Deadline: September 27, 2015
    - Upload approved Borrego Solar Systems, Inc. contract to CSI program





### SOLAR PROJECT CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

#### December 2013:

 The Board of Trustees certified the "Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR)" for the Mt. San Antonio College 2012 Facility Master Plan and adopted the Facts and Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations.

There are no new or exacerbated significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed Project that were not analyzed in the certified Final EIR.











### SOLAR PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS

The Project is currently under review by the following responsible agencies:

- US Army Corps of Engineers
- US Fish & Wildlife Service
- California Department of Fish & Wildlife
- State Water Resources Control Board

All permit and approval conditions imposed by the responsible agencies will be applied to the Project.



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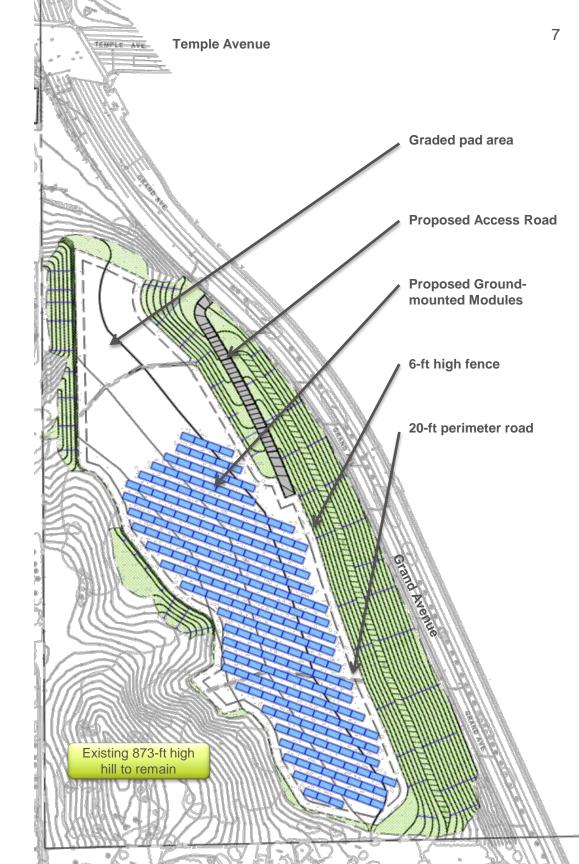
### SOLAR PROJECT CONCEPTUAL ARRAY LAYOUT

- Location: The array is located on the southernmost portion of the graded pad to minimize impact on adjacent residences.
- Horizontal Distance: The closest solar panel is approximately
   300-ft from the nearest Regal Canyon Drive residence with a view of the Project.
- Vertical Distance: The residences on Regal Canyon Drive are located at an approximate elevation of 790-ft above sea level which is almost 30-ft higher than the proposed Solar Project pad elevation of 761-ft.









gal Canyon Drive

### SOLAR PROJECT LINE OF SIGHT

- Line of Sight (LoS) is a phrase used to described the unimpeded view or access from one point to another point across a terrain or surface.
  - LoS is used to understand the visible and obstructed (non-visible)
     points in terrain which contains significant changes in elevation (in the form of mountains/hills and valleys).
- Horizon line/eye level refers to the actual height of the viewer's eyes when looking at an object, interior scene, or an exterior scene.
  - The existing site photographs used for the following photo simulations were shot at 5'-8" above finished grade (approximately eye level).

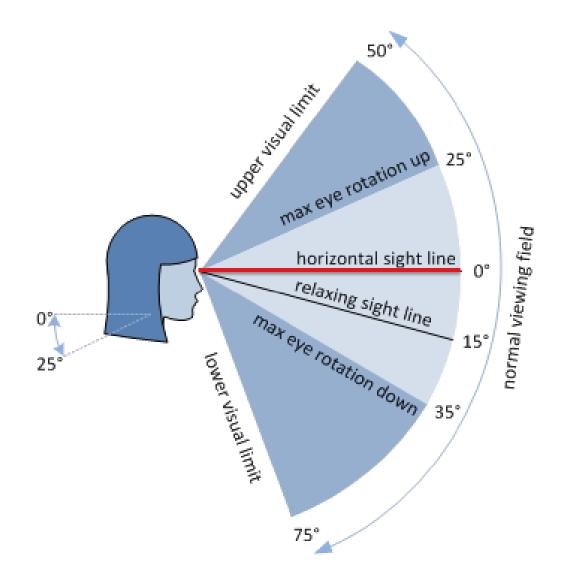








Photo simulations depict potential planning and design changes through realistic digitallymanipulated photographs.

 The District has retained the services of a professional photo simulation firm to prepare the following images to allow the entire Mt. SAC community to visualize the before and after conditions of the Solar Project more accurately.









### View 1:

1131 Regal Canyon Drive

 Photograph taken from the sidewalk in the middle of the driveway of 1131 Regal Canyon Drive.







#### View 2:

20331 Shadow Mountain Road

 Photograph taken from rear of vacant lot across the street from 20331 Shadow Mountain Road.







#### View 3:

20939 Stoddard Wells Road

 Photograph taken from the sidewalk in front of 20939 Stoddard Wells Road.







### View 4:

**21119 Granite Wells Drive** 

Photograph taken across the street from 21119 Granite Wells Drive.







### View 5:

21775 Buckskin Drive

 Photograph taken from the street next to 21775 Buckskin Drive.







### SOLAR PROJECT NEXT STEPS

- Upon Board of Trustees contract approval,
   Borrego Solar Systems, Inc. will proceed
   with the design, procurement, installation
   and construction of the system.
- The line of sight study will be further used to guide our efforts to improve aesthetics and views for adjacent neighbors and explore options for landscape that will eventually screen the view of the Project.











## QUESTIONS & COMMENTS THANK YOU

