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Neighborhood Council**

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LADWP Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Panel Project Information

LA DWP plans to install a floating solar panel on the Encino Reservoir. They propose to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in lieu of an Environmental Impact Report.

Presentation will be made by LA DWP followed by an opportunity for public comment and questions.

Official public comment can be submitted until January 13, 2026, to the email address below and will be included in the final package that is provided to the City of Los Angeles Board of Water and Power Commissioners for final consideration and approval at a future date.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- [Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Project - LADWP Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration](#)
- [Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Project - Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration](#)
- [Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Project - Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration Appendices](#)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Proposed Project constructs a 5-megawatt (MW), 10-acre floating solar panel array that would be located on the southwest portion of Encino Reservoir. An approximately 4,000 square-foot 30-kilowatt (kW), ground-mount photovoltaic system would also be installed in the southwest area of the reservoir property. All associated electrical components including inverters, transformers, and switchgear would be located adjacent to the ground-mount system. All electrical equipment would interconnect to the existing 34.5-kilovolt (kV) above ground distribution line within the Encino Reservoir property. In addition to the solar components as discussed above, a 5-MW, 20-megawatt hours (MWh) iron-flow battery energy storage system would be installed on an approximately 6,500 square-foot area north of the reservoir.

The Proposed Project is to help meet renewable energy goals set by the State of California and the City of Los Angeles (City) to reduce reliance on carbon-based energy sources. The Proposed Project is estimated to generate approximately 10,280 MWh of clean, renewable energy annually. The energy produced would be enough to serve approximately 2,677 homes per year, thereby offsetting 2,854 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent per year, the equivalent of eliminating 671 cars from the road per year. The primary purpose of the Proposed Project is to determine the viability of floating solar as a technology that can provide opportunities for additional renewable energy generation within the LADWP system, especially within the in-basin area. Project construction is anticipated to start in Summer 2026 and is anticipated to conclude in Summer 2027.

Please direct your comments or questions to the following:

Mr. David Norris **Phone:** (213) 367-3509 **Email:** David.Norris@ladwp.com (LADWP's practice is to make the entirety of comments received a part of the public record. Therefore names, home addresses, home phone numbers, and email addresses of commenters, if included in the response, will be made part of the record available for public review. Individual commenters may request that LADWP withhold their name and/or home addresses, etc., but **if you wish LADWP to consider withholding this information you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments.**)

On December 18 at 7:00pm the Encino Neighborhood Council will host a Zoom meeting featuring a presentation from the LADWP and a Q&A session where residents can also share concerns.

Please join the meeting by clicking [here](#) or scanning the QR code below.



(Zoom Webinar ID: 873 3890 0211)

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