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## LPEA statement on Hesperus solar project

DURANGO, Colo. – You may have read the <u>article</u> in the Durango Herald or heard through other channels about the large solar project being proposed south of Hesperus. The proposed project is roughly 1,900 acres and would generate enough energy to power 56,000 homes annually. This project is being spearheaded by <u>Primergy</u>, a private solar developer based out of Oakland, California.

While this project is within LPEA's service territory, we want to stress that LPEA is not involved in the development of this project. Primergy is an independent power producer without affiliation to LPEA. LPEA is not bound by any expectations to purchase the power from this project, or even transmit it over LPEA lines.

If the project proceeds and results in the generation of cost-competitive power, LPEA may be in the position to purchase power from the development in the future, but it is too early to judge the feasibility of that option.

If you have any further questions or concerns, we encourage you to contact Primergy directly at <a href="https://hesperus@primergysolar.com">hesperus@primergysolar.com</a>.

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