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Ref: Update: Mendocino H.S. Solar and EV Project

Current Status

The jobsite is fully established and prepared for construction. All underground utilities have been cleared through 811, and a third-party subsurface scan has been completed to identify and avoid potential obstructions.

All required materials are either onsite or staged at Centrica's Loomis warehouse and are ready for delivery once construction resumes.

Cause Of Delay

A fabrication error was identified in ten (10) structural columns, which were manufactured at an incorrect length. The approved corrective approach is to extend each column by two (2) feet using onsite welding.

A Construction Change Document (CCD) addressing this correction was submitted to the Division of the State Architect (DSA) on January 6, 2026. This CCD requires review and approval by the DSA Field Engineer only (no internal DSA review). Approval is expected within 3–5 business days, subject to potential holiday-related backlogs.

Once approved, IOR will be onsite to verify welder qualifications and oversee all welding operations to ensure full compliance in accordance with the approved Method of Procedure (MOP).

Schedule and Risk Mitigation

To minimize schedule impacts, the project team is implementing an accelerated recovery plan that may include extended work hours, weekend work if necessary, and additional staffing. Coordination is underway with district representatives to align construction activities with the school schedule.

Planned mobilization is January 20, 2026, allowing time for CCD approval. Columns will be welded and approved prior to excavation so that excavation, column placement, and concrete pouring can occur in a continuous operation. This approach reduces the risk of excavation instability, water intrusion, and weather-related delays.

Once columns are installed, overall construction is expected to progress more rapidly with reduced weather sensitivity.

Quality and Oversight

Quality assurance will be maintained through continuous inspector presence during welding, along with direct oversight by Centrica Field Leadership to ensure compliant and high-quality construction.

Next Steps

- Receive DSA Field Engineer approval of the CCD (estimated January 15th, 2026)
- Begin column welding upon approval (estimated January 20th, 2026)
- Begin excavation followed by column placement and concrete pours (estimated 20th, 2026)
- Conclude excavation, column placement, and concrete pour for all three structures (estimated January 30th, 2026).
- Continue coordinated efforts to recover schedule and meet project milestones (updated schedule to be provided after all columns are in place).

Commitment

The project team remains fully committed to maintaining transparency while addressing this unforeseen issue and delivering the project in accordance with Board expectations. We understand the urgency of the situation with a looming NEM 2.0 deadline of April 15, 2026, and are deploying all available resources required to ensure we achieve this milestone, without sacrificing quality or safety.