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Yakima County Fire District #4, East Valley Fire Department (EVFD) supports expansion and development in the area we serve. The Goose Prairie Solar Project will have an impact on the operations of the EVFD due to its size and the nature of the project. This impact will be evident during the construction as well as ongoing operations of the facility. Access for emergency response and advanced coordinated planning in case of an emergency is paramount for efficient mitigation of any emergency situations. In addition, vegetation management in and surrounding the facility needs to be addressed to keep the risk of wildfire impact to a minimum.

The EVFD wishes to be involved in the planning process when it impacts the emergency services to the site. A meeting with the developer and the construction companies involved prior to construction is requested to discuss emergency response to the site.