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Jason,

Glare is not part of an evaluation done under FAR Part 77, at this time. If pilots perceive glare after the project is constructed, I recommend they contact FAA Flight Standards directly and report it.

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 Glare Impacts to Aircraft

Hello Karen,

I spoke with you a few months ago about the aeronautical studies prepared for CEC's Ivanpah Solar Project near Primm, NV.

FAA determined that project features would pose no hazard to aircraft.

I'm wondering if/how the FAA evaluates the potential for a project to present a glare hazard to aircraft. Additionally, what is the mechanism for pilots to complain about glare impacts—for example, once this solar project is constructed, if pilots notice distracting/hazardous glare, how would they go about reporting it?

I would appreciate any input you can provide. Feel free to call me to discuss. I will be out of my office most of the week but can be reached at 310-402-7668.

Thank you,

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