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## The AUHSD Solar Program September 30, 2019

We have great news to share. Solar is coming to AUHSD!

The District's commitment to reducing its environmental footprint through sustainable design, implementation of energy efficiency measures, and reduction of its overall energy use, culminated last week with the release of a Request for Proposals for the Implementation of Solar Photovoltaic System Design and Construction. This marks the initiation of the procurement period for the District's first solar endeavor, which intends to bring solar arrays on carport structures to all nineteen schools and to the District Office. The total system, with its combined 9.3 MW-DC, will be rolled out in two phases to limit interference with school operations, and with the current, and upcoming modernization projects.





In addition to an educational component, which can integrate the solar power project into the District's curriculum, systems at each site will be equipped with battery storage, EV charging stations and LED lighting.

The total procurement process will be time intensive due to the magnitude of the project. In November, after rigorous evaluation of the proposals and interviews of shortlisted firms, staff will be ready to make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees for a contract award to a solar company.

We anticipate seeing solar carports populating our parking lots in late Spring 2020. If you have any questions, please contact the Facilities Planning, Design and Construction Department at (714) 999-5454.