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Notice of Staff Workshop for the Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System (11-AFC-2)

The California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop for the proposed Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System (HHSEGS). All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate.

The workshop will be held:

**THURSDAY, October 27, 2011
1:00PM – 5:00PM**

**Tecopa Community Center
400 Tecopa Hot Springs Road
Tecopa, CA 92389
(Map Attached)**

WebEx Call-in toll-free number: **1-866-469-3239**
(Access code: **923 148 695**)
(Meeting Password: **Hidden@Hills3**)

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RECD. <u>Oct. 14 2011</u>

PURPOSE

The purpose of the workshop is to allow staff, the applicant, interested agencies, and the public to discuss the project, scheduling issues, and inter-agency cooperation related to Land Use, Socioeconomics, Traffic & Transportation and Alternatives. Other technical areas of the project proposal may also be discussed as time permits.

BACKGROUND

On August 5, 2011, Hidden Hills Solar Holdings, LLC, submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to construct and operate the Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System (HHSEGS) project. HHSEGS would be located on approximately 3,277 acres of privately owned land leased in Inyo County, California, immediately adjacent to the Nevada border. The project site is approximately 8 miles southeast of Pahrump, Nevada, and approximately 45 miles northwest of Las Vegas, Nevada. On October 5, 2011 the Energy Commission accepted the AFC as complete, and commenced the Commission's 12-month facilities siting review process.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

As proposed, HHSEGS would comprise two solar fields and associated facilities: the northern solar plant (Solar Plant 1) and the southern solar plant (Solar Plant 2). Each solar plant would generate 250 megawatts (MW), for a total net output of 500 MW. Solar Plant 1 would occupy approximately 1,483 acres (or 2.3 square miles), and Solar Plant 2 would occupy approximately 1,510 acres (or 2.4 square miles). Each solar plant would use heliostats—elevated mirrors guided by a tracking system mounted on a pylon—to focus the sun’s rays on a solar receiver steam generator (SRSG) atop a 750-foot tall solar power tower near the center of each solar field.

PARTICIPATION

Please direct your technical or project schedule questions to Mike Monasmith, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 654-4894, or by e-mail at mike.monasmith@energy.state.ca.us. If you desire information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the project, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free in California, at (800) 822-6228. The Public Adviser's Office can also be contacted via email at publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us. If you have a disability and require assistance to participate, please contact Lou Quiroz at (916) 654-5146 at least five days in advance. News media inquiries should be directed to the media office at (916) 654-4989 or via email at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us. The status of the proposed project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's web site: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hiddenhills>. If you are unable to attend the workshop, written comments may be sent to the staff's project manager electronically or to the Energy Commission's street address shown on the letterhead of this Notice.

You can also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices and announcements at: <http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers>. By being on this email list, you will receive all project-related notices and documents pertaining to the project's evaluation and review.

Date: _____

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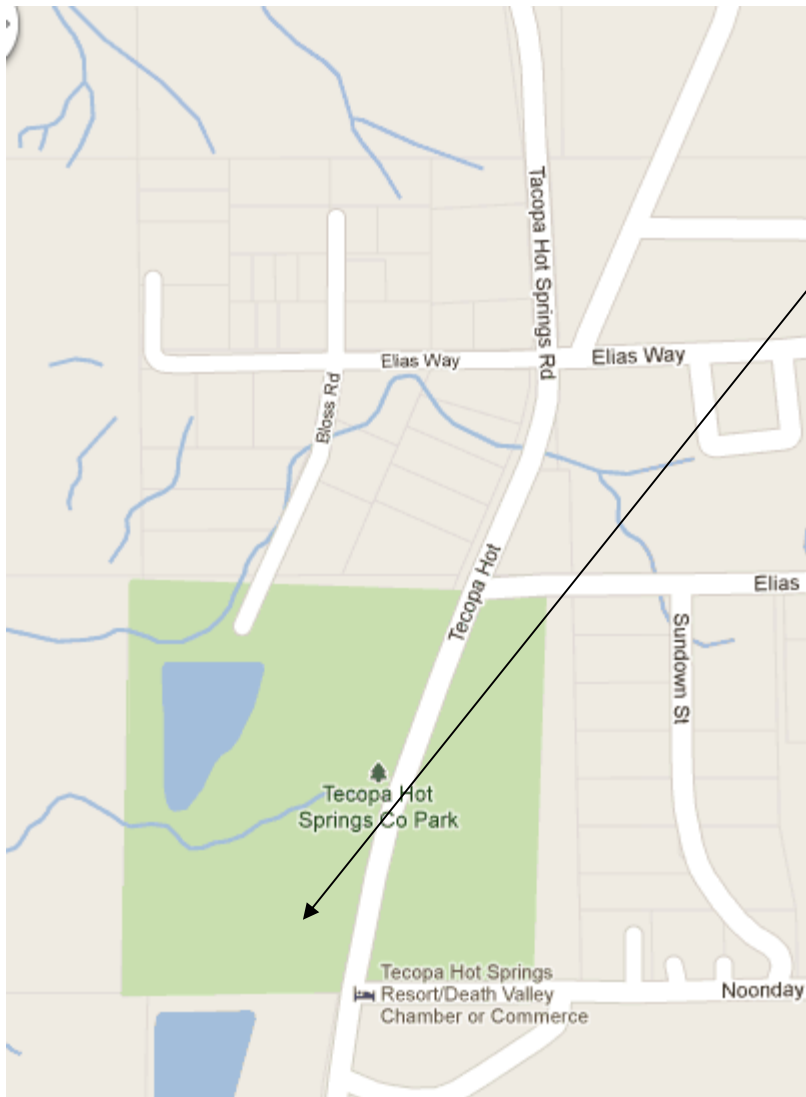
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