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PROJECT TITLE: Hidden Hills SEGS

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<b>NAME:</b>	Carolyn Chainey-Davis, Staff	<b>DATE:</b>	2/29/12	<b>TIME:</b>	09:39
<b>WITH:</b>	Amy Hiss, CH2MHill, on behalf of the Applicant				
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Special-Status Plants				

>>> Carolyn Chainey-Davis <[bighair60@att.net](mailto:bighair60@att.net)> 2/29/2012 9:39 AM >>>

From: Carolyn Chainey-Davis, California Energy Commission

To: Amy Hiss, CH2m Hill

Date: February 27, 2012, 11:23 am

Subject: HHSEGS Biological Resources, Special-Status Plants

Telephone conversation regarding: 1) an accounting of all documented California occurrences of the special-status species that would be impacted by the Project, and 2) additional off-site surveys in spring 2012.

During the public workshop for HHSEGS Biological Resources on February 22, 2012, Amy Hiss inquired about the Commission's sources of information on off-site occurrences used in their preliminary assessment of the Project's impacts to the California distribution of the 10 special-status plants documented on the Project site. Carolyn Chainey-Davis informed Amy Hiss that the Energy Commission's preliminary assessment included information from the most current update of the California Natural Diversity Database, which includes many occurrences also documented in the Consortium of California Herbaria (CCH). To avoid duplication and to ensure a complete, up-to-date accounting, Ms. Hiss and Ms. Chainey-Davis agreed to meet in person at the CH2m Hill office GIS department in Sacramento on Friday, March 9th to review the various databases [CNDDDB, CCH, CalFlora) together and view project and other data spatially to avoid duplications. At the February 22, 2012 workshop, BrightSource and the Energy Commission discussed the possibility of conducting additional off-site surveys this spring to determine if there were additional occurrences of special-status species off-site and gain a better understanding of the species' distribution in California. Off-site surveys were conducted in 2011 in Pahrump Valley, Stewart Valley, the Ash Meadows area, Chicago Valley, and California Valley; Ms. Chainey-Davis inquired if the Applicant intended to conduct additional off-site surveys this spring; Ms. Hiss confirmed.

<b>CC:</b> Carolyn Chainey-Davis, Lead Botanist Rick York, Senior Biologist Dick Ratliff, Staff Counsel	<b>Prepared by:</b> Mike Monasmith, Project Manager
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