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# Memorandum

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## Staff Workshops

Staff has been gathering information since the January 7, 2014 Committee Conference and has planned the following workshops:

1. Cultural Workshop-April 8, 2014

At the January 7, 2014, Committee Conference, the committee directed Energy Commission staff to further consider, in consultation with the project owner and interested Native American tribes, appropriate mitigation for the significant effects that the proposed amendment would have on tribal interests. Staff's workshop on April 8, will allow the parties to discuss cultural mitigation.

2. Biological Resources, Storage and Project Benefits Workshop-April 16, 2014

At the workshop, the parties will discuss the new avian information that has been provided to date in addition to information that has been provided by the petitioner on energy storage, and benefits of the project.

## Response to PSH's Motion to Reopen the Evidentiary Record and Scheduling Order

On March 21, 2014, PSH submitted a Motion to Reopen Evidentiary Record and Scheduling Order. Staff has reviewed this Motion and the proposed schedule, but, at this time, is unable to opine on whether a reopening of the evidentiary record is warranted. The scheduled Workshops will provide Staff with information necessary to determine whether or not Staff believes there is enough information to reopen the evidentiary record. Staff will be able to provide the Committee with a fully-informed response to the Motion on April 23, one week after the April 16<sup>th</sup> workshop and hereby requests permission to do so.. Staff hereby requests an extension to file a Response to PSH's Motion.

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