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In the matter of:	)	Docket No. 15-IEPR-08
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<i>2015 Integrated Energy Policy Report</i>	)	NOTICE OF WORKSHOP
<i>(2015 IEPR)</i>	)	
	)	RE: Transmission and Landscape-
	)	Scale Planning

## Notice of IEPR Commissioner Workshop on Landscape-Scale Environmental Evaluations for Energy Infrastructure Planning and the Strategic Transmission Investment Plan

As part of the *2015 Integrated Energy Policy Report (2015 IEPR)*, the California Energy Commission's Lead Commissioner for Siting will conduct a workshop to continue the landscape-scale planning issues discussion begun in the *2014 IEPR Update* proceeding and to address on-going and emerging transmission planning issues.

Commissioner Andrew McAllister is the Lead Commissioner for the *2015 IEPR* and Commissioner Karen Douglas is the Lead Commissioner for Siting. Other Commissioners at the Energy Commission and the California Public Utilities Commission may also attend and participate in the workshop. The workshop will be held:

**Monday, August 3, 2015**  
10:00 a.m.  
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION  
1516 Ninth Street  
First Floor, Rosenfeld Hearing Room  
Sacramento, California  
(Wheelchair Accessible)

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### Background

Senate Bill 1565 (Bowen, Chapter 692, Statutes of 2004) added section 25324 to the Public Resources Code, which requires the Energy Commission to adopt a strategic plan for the state's electric transmission grid. The strategic plan will identify and

recommend actions required to implement investments necessary to ensure reliability, relieve congestion, and meet future growth in load and generation, including, but not limited to, renewable resources, energy efficiency, and other demand reduction measures. The Energy Commission's 2015 *IEPR* Scoping Order ("Scoping Order") directs the Energy Commission to prepare a Strategic Transmission Investment Plan as required by Senate Bill 1565 (Bowen, Chapter 692, Statutes of 2004). The Scoping Order is available at: [http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/15-IEPR-01/TN203750\\_20150227T142403\\_2015\\_Integrated\\_Energy\\_Policy\\_Report\\_Final\\_Scoping\\_Order.pdf](http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/15-IEPR-01/TN203750_20150227T142403_2015_Integrated_Energy_Policy_Report_Final_Scoping_Order.pdf).

The Scoping Order also directs the Energy Commission to continue the analysis begun in the 2014 *IEPR Update* on using landscape-scale analysis for transmission planning. As part of the 2014 *IEPR Update* proceeding, on August 5, 2014, the Energy Commission held an *IEPR* Lead Commissioner Workshop on Integrating Environmental Information in Renewable Energy Planning Processes. The complete workshop record is available at: [www.energy.ca.gov/2014\\_energy\\_policy/documents/#08052014](http://www.energy.ca.gov/2014_energy_policy/documents/#08052014). That workshop discussed how environmental information has been utilized in renewable energy and transmission planning processes in the past and explored how future planning processes might use environmental information to inform energy infrastructure planning for possible future renewable energy targets beyond the 2020 timeframe. Specific recommendations relating to integrating environmental information into renewable energy planning processes are contained in Chapter 8 of the 2014 *IEPR Update*, available at: [www.energy.ca.gov/2014publications/CEC-100-2014-001/CEC-100-2014-001-CMF.pdf](http://www.energy.ca.gov/2014publications/CEC-100-2014-001/CEC-100-2014-001-CMF.pdf).

## Agenda

This workshop will contribute to the development of the Energy Commission's 2015 *IEPR* proceeding. In particular, the workshop responds to the Scoping Order direction to prepare a Strategic Transmission Investment Plan and continue the analysis begun in the 2014 *IEPR Update* on using landscape-scale analysis for transmission planning. Major workshop topics include:

- Landscape-scale environmental evaluations to support generation and transmission planning efforts;
- Local government perspectives on landscape-scale planning for renewable energy, land use, and conservation; and
- Agency applications of landscape-scale environmental evaluations in energy infrastructure planning processes.

## Public Comment

**Oral comments:** The Commissioners will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes or less and will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

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Re: Docket No. 15-IEPR-08  
1516 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

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The service list for the 2015 IEPR is handled electronically. Notices and documents for this proceeding are posted to the Energy Commission website at [www.energy.ca.gov/2015\\_energy\\_policy/](http://www.energy.ca.gov/2015_energy_policy/). When new information is posted, an e-mail will be sent to those on the energy policy e-mail list server. We encourage those who are interested in receiving these notices to sign up for the list server through the website at [www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/](http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers/).

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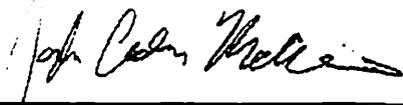
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DATE: July 13, 2015



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