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## Some key questions for the Environmental and Land Use Technical Group

- What environmental data are relevant to inform renewable energy planning activities in California, and in the West-wide Interconnection?
- For the available and relevant data what are the significant data gaps and what should be done to resolve them, both short-term and long-term?
- How should key environmental data best be used to inform various renewable energy planning activities in California, and in the West-wide Interconnection?
- What have we learned from recent and on-going renewable energy planning activities (e.g. BLM Solar PEIS, DRECP, SJV Least Conflict Solar) that should be considered or consistently applied to renewable energy planning processes? What could we also apply from the viewpoint of individual stakeholder groups' own planning activities or study efforts that evaluate the relative environmental impacts of potential renewable energy generation, transmission and potential transmission corridors?
- What are the key environmental data criteria that should be applied to the available data to evaluate relative environmental impacts of potential renewable energy transmission and/or potential transmission corridors?
- How can we best work together to ensure that the relevant environmental data and criteria are consistently and routinely applied and considered in renewable energy planning processes?
- How do we ensure that relevant data remain of high quality, is readily available, and up to date for use in renewable energy planning processes?