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Galen:

Staff has conferred regarding the publication schedule for the Sequoia Data Center Initial Study, and we believe we have a path forward to publish by January 15, 2020, as desired by the applicant.

With this new information, we are now able to offer a proposed schedule for the remainder of the proceeding.

In its proposed schedule docketed December 11, 2019, the applicant proposed the following dates:

Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration Publication	January 15, 2020
Public Comment Period on IS/MND Closes	February 14, 2020
All Parties File Opening Testimony	February 14, 2020
All Parties File Reply Testimony	February 21, 2020
PreHearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing (1 day)	Feb 24-28, 2020
Committee Proposed Decision	TBA
Commission Business Meeting	March 11/April 8, 2020

Given our request to be allotted 10 working days to reply to comments on the Initial Study and submit Reply Testimony, and based on the best current information on staff availability for a prehearing conference and evidentiary hearing in early March, we propose the following:

Initial Study Publication	January 15, 2020
Public Comment Period on IS Closes	February 14, 2020
All Parties File Opening Testimony	February 14, 2020
Staff Response to CEQA comments	February 28, 2020
All Parties File Reply Testimony	February 28, 2020
Prehearing Conference	March 5 or 6, 2020
Evidentiary Hearing	March 10 or 12, 2020
Committee Proposed Decision	March 27, 2020
Commission Business Meeting	April 8, 2020

One scheduling wrinkle that we would like to bring to the Committee's attention is the parallel process we are running to gain advance agreement from the City of Santa Clara to adopt any mitigation measures identified in our analysis and take responsibility for compliance monitoring. Given the need to provide notice of a potential workshop to resolve any unforeseen mitigation-related issues with the applicant, and taking into account potential delays associated with formalizing the agreement with the City of Santa Clara prior to Initial Study publication, we developed an alternate schedule for the Committee's consideration which still results in a decision at the April business meeting:

Initial Study Publication	January 23, 2020
Public Comment Period on IS Closes	February 24, 2020
All Parties File Opening Testimony	February 24, 2020
Staff Response to CEQA comments	March 9, 2020
All Parties File Reply Testimony	March 9, 2020
Prehearing Conference	March 12 or 13, 2020
Evidentiary Hearing	March 17 or 19, 2020
Committee Proposed Decision	March 27, 2020
Commission Business Meeting	April 8, 2020

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