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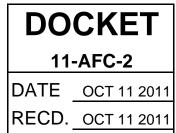
Notice of Staff Workshop for the Hidden Hills Solar Electrical Generating Station (11-AFC-2)

The California Energy Commission staff will conduct a workshop for the proposed Hidden Hills Electrical Generating Station (HHSEGS). All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate.

The workshop will be held:

FRIDAY, October 21, 2011 10:00AM – 12:00PM

California Energy Commission 2nd Floor Main Conference Room 1516 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814-5512



WebEx Call-in toll-free number: **1-866-469-3239** (Meeting number: **926 104 562**) (Meeting Password: <u>Mike@1234</u>)

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PURPOSE

The purpose of the workshop is to allow staff, the applicant, interested agencies, and the public to discuss HHSEGS scheduling opportunities and inter-agency cooperation related to <u>Biological Resources</u>. Other technical areas of the project proposal may also be discussed as necessary.

BACKGROUND

On August 5, 2011, Hidden Hills Solar Holdings, LLC, submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to construct and operate the Hidden Hills Solar Electric Generating System (HHSEGS). HHSEGS will be located on approximately 3,277 acres of privately owned land leased in Inyo County, California, immediately adjacent to the Nevada border. The project site is approximately 8 miles southeast of Pahrump, Nevada, and approximately 45 miles northwest of Las Vegas, Nevada. On October 5, 2011 the Commission approved the Executive Director's recommendation that the AFC was deemed "Data Adequate" and commenced the Commission's 12-month facilities siting review process.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

HHSEGS will comprise two solar fields and associated facilities: the northern solar plant (Solar Plant 1) and the southern solar plant (Solar Plant 2). Each solar plant will generate 250 megawatts (MW), for a total net output of 500 MW. Solar Plant 1 will occupy approximately 1,483 acres (or 2.3 square miles), and Solar Plant 2 will occupy approximately 1,510 acres (or 2.4 square miles). Each solar plant will use heliostats—elevated mirrors guided by a tracking system mounted on a pylon—to focus the sun's rays on a solar receiver steam generator (SRSG) atop a 750-foot tall solar power tower near the center of each solar field.

PARTICIPATION

Please direct your technical or project schedule questions to Mike Monasmith, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 654-4894, or by e-mail at <u>mike.monasmith@energy.state.ca.us</u>. If you desire information on participating in the Energy Commission's review of the project, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office, at (916) 654-4489 or toll free in California, at (800) 822-6228. The Public Adviser's Office can also be contacted via email at <u>pao@energy.state.ca.us</u>. News media inquiries should be directed to the media office at (916) 654-4989 or via email at <u>mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us</u>. The status of the proposed project, copies of notices, an electronic version of the AFC, and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's web site: <u>http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hiddenhills</u>.

You can also subscribe to receive e-mail notification of all notices and announcements at: <u>http://www.energy.ca.gov/listservers</u>. By being on this email list, you will receive all project-related notices and documents pertaining to the project's evaluation and review.

Date:

TERRENCE O'BRIEN, Deputy Director Siting, Transmission & Environmental Protection Division

ENERGY COMMISSION STAFF BIOLOGY RESOURCES WORKSHOP HIDDEN HILLS SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM (11-AFC-2)

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- When prompted, enter your information and Mike@1234

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