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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

REGARDING THE PROPOSED QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT (11-AFC-3)

> The workshop will be held on: Thursday, March 22, 2012 Starting at 5:00 p.m.

The workshop will be held at: **Mission Trails Visitor Center (Theater), One Father Junipero Serra Trail, San Diego, California 92119** (Wheelchair Accessible) (Map Attached)

## WebEx and Conference Call-in-toll-free number: **1-866-469-3239** Access code: **491 286 899** Meeting Password: **meeting@5**

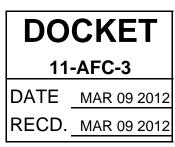
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#### Purpose

This notice is to inform you that the California Energy Commission staff will hold a public workshop to discuss the proposed Quail Brush Generation Project (QBGP). The purpose of the workshop is to continue developing a dialogue between staff, members of the public and agencies interested in the proposed project. All interested agencies and members of the public are invited to participate.

At the workshop, staff will first explain the Energy Commission's power plant site certification process which is a certified regulatory program, equivalent to preparing an Environmental Impact Report, under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Staff will then address questions and comments from members of the public and agencies regarding the Commission's process, the Commission's in-lieu permitting authority under the Warren-Alquist Act and staff's coordination with other agencies.

Following the discussion of the Commission's site certification process, staff will provide an overview of their approach to the environmental review of the proposed QBGP which is in the early stages. Individual presentations will be made by staff with professional backgrounds in the following technical areas: air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, land use, public health, socioeconomics, soil resources, traffic & transportation, visual resources, water resources and worker safety & fire protection. After each presentation, staff will answer questions from the public and or government agencies. Although the workshop agenda provides for discussion of these technical



areas based upon the public comment received to date, the public and interested agencies are welcome to inquire about any environmental area or aspect of the project.

## Attendance and Participation by the Project Applicant

As a party to the Energy Commission's proceeding, the project applicant is also invited to attend and participate in the workshop. After the individual presentations by Energy Commission staff, the applicant will be provided time to address the workshop attendees and answer questions related to the applicant's proposed project.

## Attendance by the Energy Commission's Public Advisor's Office

The Energy Commission's Public Advisor, Jennifer Jennings, will also attend the workshop and provide an overview on the resources her office can offer to the public. The Public Advisor's presentation will be incorporated into staff's initial presentation of the Energy Commission's power plant site certification process. Ms. Jennings will be available to address any questions regarding the Public Advisor's role in the Energy Commission's process.

## No Attendance by Committee

Together with the full Commission, the Committee of Commissioners Karen Douglas and Carla Peterman assigned to this project are the only decision makers with authority to approve, modify or deny the proposed project. Other than the initial Informational Hearing and Site Visit, normally, the Committee members do not attend staff workshops but rather preside over hearings, status conferences and other events related to this proceeding. As such, it is likely that neither of the Committee members will attend this public workshop.

However, staff is an independent party to this proceeding and has a key role being responsible for the environmental review of the Application for Certification (11-AFC-3) and subsequently providing staff's recommendation to the Committee whether to approve, modify or deny the AFC.

## **Evening Break and Refreshments**

Midway through the workshop, food and refreshments will be provided for all workshop attendees.

## Remote Attendance

Computer Log-on:

1. Please go to <u>https://energy.webex.com</u> and enter the unique meeting number: **491 286 899**.

2. When prompted, enter your information and the following meeting password: **meeting@5.** 

## Teleconference:

After logging in on the computer, an AUDIO CONFERENCE BOX will offer you the choice of phone connections:

1. TO HAVE WEBEX CALL YOU BACK: Type your area code and phone number and click 'Call Me'.

2. TO CALL INTO THE TELECONFERENCE: Use the drop-down box to select 'I will call in' and follow the on-screen directions.

3. INTERNATIONAL CALLERS: Click on the 'Global call-in number' link in part (2) above

4. TO LISTEN OVER THE COMPUTER: If you have the needed equipment and your computer is configured, click on 'Use Computer Headset' and then 'Call Using Computer' to use VoIP (Internet phone)

TELEPHONE ONLY (NO COMPUTER ACCESS): Call 1-866-469-3239 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada) and when prompted enter the unique meeting number: **491 286 899.** International callers can select their number from <u>https://energy.webex.com/energy/globalcallin.php</u> If you have difficulty joining the meeting, please call the WebEx Technical Support number at 1-866-229-3239.

**Public Resources, Contact Information and Additional Sources for Information** If you desire information on how to participate in the Energy Commission's review of the proposed project, please contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at (916) 653-4489 or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by email at: <u>publicadviser@energy.ca.gov</u>.

To request special accommodations for those persons with disabilities, please contact Lourdes Quiroz at <u>lquiroz@energy.ca.gov</u> or by telephone (916) 654-5146. For those persons with limited English knowledge, request interpreter services by contacting the Project Manager, Eric Solorio, at (916) 651-0966.

Information about the project can be found at the following website: <u>http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/quailbrush/index.html</u>

For additional information contact Eric Solorio, CEC Project Manager at (916) 651-0966 or email at <u>esolorio@energy.ca.gov.</u>

News media inquiries should be directed to Acting Assistant Director, Adam Gottlieb, at (916) 654-4989, or by email at: <u>mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov</u>.

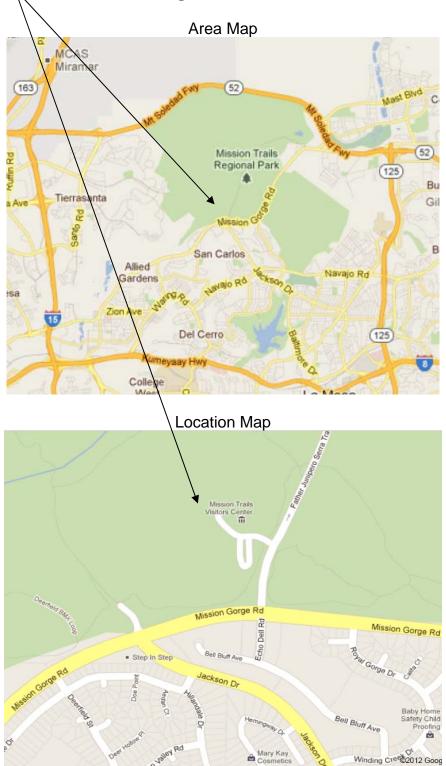
Sincerely,

Date: <u>3/09/12</u>

ROGER E. JOHNSON, Deputy Director Siting, Transmission and Environmental Protection Division Mailed to lists: Property Owners, Agency and Library

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#### BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1516 NINTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 1-800-822-6228 – WWW.ENERGY.CA.GOV

## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT

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## DOCKET NO. 11-AFC-3

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### **DECLARATION OF SERVICE**

I, Diane Scott, declare that on March 9, 2012, I served and filed a copy of the **NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP REGARDING THE PROPOSED QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT (11-AFC-3)**. This document is accompanied by the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at: [http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/quailbrush/index.html].

The document has been sent to the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit or Chief Counsel, as appropriate, in the following manner:

#### (Check all that Apply)

For service to all other parties:

- X Served electronically to all e-mail addresses on the Proof of Service list;
- X Served by delivering on this date, either personally, or for mailing with the U.S. Postal Service with firstclass postage thereon fully prepaid, to the name and address of the person served, for mailing that same day in the ordinary course of business; that the envelope was sealed and placed for collection and mailing on that date to those addresses **NOT** marked "e-mail preferred."

#### AND

#### For filing with the Docket Unit at the Energy Commission:

- X by sending an electronic copy to the e-mail address below (preferred method); OR
- by depositing an original and 12 paper copies in the mail with the U.S. Postal Service with first class postage thereon fully prepaid, as follows:

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#### OR, if filing a Petition for Reconsideration of Decision or Order pursuant to Title 20, § 1720:

Served by delivering on this date one electronic copy by e-mail, and an original paper copy to the Chief Counsel at the following address, either personally, or for mailing with the U.S. Postal Service with first class postage thereon fully prepaid:

California Energy Commission Michael J. Levy, Chief Counsel 1516 Ninth Street MS-14 Sacramento, CA 95814 <u>mlevy@energy.state.ca.us</u>

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

## Original Signed By:

Diane Scott Siting, Transmission and Environmental Protection Division