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Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP) Stakeholder Committee Meeting

The Stakeholder Committee of the California Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP) will meet on:

WEDNESDAY, October 12, 2011
9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

at the

Doubletree Hotel Ontario Airport
222 North Vineyard Ave., in the Grove Room
Ontario, CA 91764-4431
(Wheelchair Accessible)

Topics to be discussed are noted below. Other topics may be added and a more complete agenda will be posted four days prior to the meeting at www.drecp.org/meetings/index.html.

- Renewable energy transmission interconnection potential
- DRECP renewable energy calculator and development planning
- Progress report on local government outreach
- Discussion of draft Preliminary Conservation Strategy maps and methods/approaches supporting the maps
- DRECP working group reports
- Consultant and agency reports
- Public Comment

DRECP Background

Senate Bill X1-2 (Simitian, Chapter 1, Statutes 2011), signed into law by the Governor on April 12, 2011, increased California's renewable energy portfolio standard to 33 percent by 2020, and Executive Order S-14-08 mandated the development of the DRECP, a major component of California's renewable energy planning efforts. The DRECP, when completed, is expected to further these objectives and accelerate the processing of renewable projects in the Mojave and Colorado deserts of California.

The DRECP will be a Natural Community Conservation Plan, which will help provide effective protection and conservation of desert ecosystems while allowing for the appropriate development of renewable energy projects. It will provide long-term endangered species permit assurances to renewable energy developers and a process for conservation funding to implement the DRECP. The DRECP will also serve as the basis for one or more Habitat Conservation Plans under the Federal Endangered Species Act.

The Stakeholder Committee was established to provide a forum for public participation and input into the DRECP. The list of Stakeholders is posted on the website and includes representatives of the counties in the desert region, renewable energy developers, environmental organizations, electric utilities, and state and federal agencies.

Written Comments

Members of the Stakeholder Committee or the public who wish to provide written comments on any of the meeting topics are asked to submit comments by October 27, 2011. Please include the docket number 09-RENEW EO-01 and indicate Renewable Energy Executive Order in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Those submitting comments electronically should provide them in either Microsoft Word format or as a Portable Document Format (PDF) to [docket@energy.state.ca.us]. Please include your name or organization's name in the file name. **One paper copy** must also be sent to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit. Please hand deliver or mail an **original copy** to:

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Docket No. 09-RENEW EO-01
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If you have questions on the subject matter of this meeting, please contact David Harlow, DRECP Director by e-mail at [david_harlow@sbcglobal.net] or Scott Flint of the California Energy Commission at (916) 651-3774, or by e-mail at [sflint@energy.state.ca.us].

Notices, reports, and documents pertaining to the DRECP are posted at www.drecp.org/. If you would like to receive automatic notices of meetings, workshops, hearings, and reports, sign up for the electronic list server at the bottom of the web page.

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