Hello,

Basin and Range Watch would like to submit this list of additional supporters for our letter requesting the CEESP alternative. The letter is docketed and already posted on the DRECP site here: [link]. This additional letter also contains the link to the Change.org petition we made that has an additional 199 supporters.

Thanks,

Kevin Emmerich
Basin and Range Watch

Please accept these additional signatures' supporting the above DRECP alternative letter.

Groups:
Californians for Energy Choice http://calenergychoice.org/

Individuals:
Bill Engs, Crestline CA
Emilie Strauss, Berkeley CA
Robert Ellis, Berkeley CA
Ingrid Crickmore, Berkeley CA
Lloyd Gunn, Kegel Canyon, CA
Kenneth Vernon, Phelan CA
Carol Wiley, Victorville, CA

Also, please consider the below petition on Change.org with 199 additional supporters:

Thank you,
Kevin Emmerich and Laura Cunningham
Basin & Range Watch

Consider the California Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan as an Alternative for the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan
Basin and Range Watch

199 Supporters

We request that a new alternative be considered for the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP). The current DRECP includes no alternative that accurately reflects existing California state energy priorities that require rooftop solar and energy efficiency be fully implemented prior to developing largescale, remote solar and wind projects. The California Energy Efficiency Strategic Plan (CEESP) already exists as state law and we request it be fully implemented now. For more background see www.basinandrangelwatch.org/DRECP-CEESP-Alternative.html

This is a better conservation alternative to what is available in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Now that a few large-scale renewable energy projects have been built, we have seen irreversible impacts to flora and fauna, archeology sites, air quality and the quality of life for local communities. The CEESP alternative would be instrumental in eliminating the need for all of these impacts.

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Response to Comment Letter E97

Basin and Range Watch
Kevin Emmerich
February 23, 2015

E97-1 Thank you for your comment. Following release of the Draft DRECP and in response to public comments received from a diverse group of stakeholders, the REAT Agencies (i.e., Bureau of Land Management [BLM], U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service [USFWS], California Energy Commission, and California Department of Fish and Wildlife [CDFW]) have adjusted the planning process and are employing a phased approach for the DRECP: one phase addressing BLM lands and another phase addressing nonfederal lands. Under Phase I of the DRECP, the DRECP BLM LUPA and Final EIS addresses land uses, including renewable energy and transmission development, on BLM-administered lands only. See also Volume II, which includes revised descriptions and mapping for the range of alternatives considered for the BLM LUPA. See also Volume II, Chapter II.8 for a discussion of alternatives considered but not carried forward.
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