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PAID PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD NOTIFICATION

CLEANUP OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION RESULTING FROM LEAKING UNDERGROUND TANK CLEANUP

McCain Valley Conservation
Camp
2550 McCain Valley Road,
Boulevard, California

The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and their consultants, Tetra Tech EM, Inc., have prepared a corrective action plan (CAP) to remediate the groundwater contamination at the site referenced above. The County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health (DEH) must review the CAP and wishes to consider any public comments received regarding this site. This notice is to advise you that the plan is available for review and that DEH is accepting public comment during the 30-day public comment period starting on December 29, 2009 and ending on January 28, 2010.

The environmental contamination at the site resulted from a leaking underground fuel tank system. The underground storage tank was removed in June 1999 and soil samples collected at that time detected hydrocarbon contamination. Groundwater monitoring wells were installed and have been monitored for contamination on an intermittent basis since April 2001. Based on sampling and analysis conducted through December 2008, contaminants in groundwater have consistently decreased in concentration with time. Groundwater samples from the most recent quarterly sampling event met the

drinking water quality regulations for the hydrocarbon contamination and fuel additives that were formerly detected at the site. The long-term record of groundwater monitoring results indicates that the contaminant plume at concentrations greater than drinking water quality has not migrated from the immediate vicinity of the former USTs. Site cleanup has been achieved by natural attenuation.

The CAP report proposes closure of the site. A copy of the report entitled, "Corrective Action Plan, Underground Storage Tank Site, McCain Valley Conservation Camp, 2550 McCain Valley Road, Boulevard, California 9190, San Diego County Department of Environmental Health, Case No. H20051-001" prepared December 14, 2009 by Tetra Tech is available for your review at the Jacumba Public Library, 44605 Old Highway 80, Jacumba, CA, 91934. You may also review the report at the offices of San Diego County DEH, 1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 300, San Diego, CA. Alternatively, the report may be uploaded from the following website:

http://geotracker.swrcb.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0607300003
Written comments on the CAP may be directed to Mr. Nasser Sionit, San Diego County DEH by Fax (619) 338- 2377 or by mail to the County of San Diego Department of Environmental Health, P.O. Box 129261, San Diego, 92112-9261. Comments must be received by February 1, 2010.

Questions regarding the content of the CAP should be directed to Nasser Sionit, San Diego County DEH, (619) 338-2239 or John Bosche, Tetra Tech EM Inc. (510) 302-6295.

Public Notice for the

California Public Utilities Commission San Diego Gas & Electric East County Substation Project

Notice is hereby given that the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Land Management (BLM), as lead agency under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), will prepare a joint Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) for the proposed East County (ECO) Substation Project (proposed project). The proposed project consists of construction and operation of a new 58-acre 500/230/138 kilovolt (kV) substation (ECO Substation) with a loop-in from the Southwest Powerlink (SWPL), just south of Interstate 8, about 4 miles east of the community of Jacumba. The project also proposes to rebuild the existing Boulevard Substation, construct a new 13.3-mile-long 138 kV transmission line from the ECO Substation to the Boulevard Substation that will run westward following the SWPL Transmission Line and head northward toward the community of Boulevard, and to re-build the existing San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E) Communication Facility at White Star.

The ECO Substation, SWPL loop-in, 138 kV transmission line, and facility rebuilds proposed by SDG&E would primarily be located on private land within the vicinity of the unincorporated communities of Boulevard and Jacumba in southeastern San Diego County. A portion of the proposed 138 kV transmission line alignment would be located on lands administered by the BLM.

The CPUC and BLM have determined that the Energia Sierra Juarez Generator Tie-Line Project (ESJ Project) is so closely related that it will be analyzed in relation to the ECO Substation Project. One additional project, the Tule Wind Project, as proposed by Iberdrola Renewables, Inc, is also an interrelated project as current plans would tie this project into the proposed Boulevard Substation rebuild component of the ECO Substation Project. These two projects will be analyzed within the EIR/EIS. The EIR/EIS will address the cumulative environmental consequences of the proposed ECO Substation, ESJ, and Tule Wind projects in combination with other past, present, and planned projects in the area, including known wind energy and transmission projects. This will serve to satisfy CEQA/NEPA requirements regarding regional cumulative concerns.

The ESJ Project would be located entirely within San Diego County to the east of the community of Jacumba. The Tule Wind Project would be located in eastern San Diego County. The project would be located on lands administered by BLM and the California State Lands Commission as well as lands on the Ewiiapaayp Indian Reservation

and lands under the jurisdiction of San Diego County, located north of Interstate 8.

The Notice of Preparation is available for review at the CPUC website <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/ECOSUB/ECOSUB.htm> and at the Jacumba Public Library, located at 44605 Old Highway 80, Jacumba, CA 91934; Campo-Morena Village Branch Library, located at 31356 Highway 94, Campo, CA 91906; Potrero Branch Library, located at 24883 Potrero Valley Road, Potrero, CA 91963; and at Dudek's office, located at 605 Third Street, Encinitas, CA 92024. The CPUC and BLM will conduct a public scoping meeting to present information about the proposed project and the CPUC and BLM's decision-making process, and to listen to the views of the public on the range of issues relevant to the scope and content of the EIR/EIS. Two public scoping meetings will be held: one on January 27, 2010, starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Jacumba Highland Center (44681 Old Highway 80, Jacumba, CA 91934), and the second on January 28, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the Boulevard Volunteer Fire Department (39223 Highway 94, Boulevard, CA 91905). Everyone is encouraged to attend these meetings to express their concerns about the project and to offer suggestions regarding the project as proposed, including alternatives.

Written comments not presented at the public scoping meeting must be sent by the close of the public review period, which is February 10, 2010. You may submit comments in a variety of ways: (1) by U.S. mail, (2) by electronic mail (e-mail), or (3) by fax. Options for submitting comments are as follows.

By Mail: If you send comments by U.S. mail, please use first-class mail and be sure to include your name and a return address. Please send written comments on the scope and content of the EIR/EIS to:

Iain Fisher
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Dudek
605 Third Street
Encinitas, California 92024

By Electronic Mail: E-mail communications are welcome; however, please remember to include your name and return address in the e-mail message. E-mail messages should be sent to ecosub@dudek.com.

By Fax: You may fax your comment letter to our information line at (800) 371-8854. Please remember to include your name and return address in the fax, to write legibly, and use black or blue ink.



**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
(CPUC)/ BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM)**



**Joint Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental
Impact Statement (EIR/EIS)
for East County Substation, Tule Wind, and
Energia Sierra Juarez Gen-tie Projects**

**Scoping Meeting Agenda
Jacumba – The Highlands Center
Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.**

- I. Sign-in**

- II. Introductions and Description**
 - i. Welcome and Introductions
 - ii. Key Players and Their Roles
 - iii. Purpose of Scoping
 - iv. Project Description and Objectives
 - v. CPUC Process (ECO Substation)
 - vi. BLM Process (ECO Substation and Tule Wind)
 - vii. County of San Diego Process (Tule Wind and Energia Sierra Juarez Gen-tie)
 - viii. Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) Process
 - ix. After EIR / EIS Completion

- III Comments from Attending Members of the Public and Agencies**

- IV. Closing Comments**

(See reverse for additional information)

Information Repositories

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For more information:

- Check internet websites:
 - CPUC Website: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/ECOSUB/ECOSUB.htm>
 - BLM Website: <http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/elcentro/nepa/tule.html>