

# AGENDA

## California Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan

### Independent Science Advisors' Workshop

April 22, 2010

### Doubletree Hotel, Ontario Airport

222 North Vineyard Avenue, Ontario, CA

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**Meeting Purpose:** This public workshop is intended primarily as a learning session for the DRECP Independent Science Advisors. It is an opportunity for DRECP participants, stakeholders, and the public to inform the Advisors about their concerns, questions, and ideas for renewable energy development as they relate to ecological resources (e.g., species populations, ecological communities, and ecological processes). Informal presentations by stakeholder and plan representatives will be followed by Q&A discussions to ensure that advisors fully understand the scope and context of the issues. This will hopefully enable Advisors to formulate science-based recommendations that are both relevant and useful to the planning process.

Advisors will not offer formal recommendations at this workshop. Rather, their recommendations will be presented in a written, consensus document to be prepared following the workshop, as informed by presentations and discussions at the workshop and other sources.

#### 9:30 – Noon Orientation Session

**9:30 Welcome and Introductions** (Wayne Spencer, Conservation Biology Institute)

#### 9:40 Opening Remarks

- Tony Brunello (Deputy Secretary for Climate Change and Energy – California Natural Resources Agency)
- Michael Picker (Senior Advisor for Renewable Energy Facilities – Office of the Governor, California)
- Robert Copper (DRECP Director)

**10:00 Overview of Science Advisory Process and Workshop Goals** (Wayne Spencer)



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**10:15 – Noon Agency and Stakeholder Presentations (Break ~ 10:50-11:00):**

- Scott Flint (California Department of Fish & Game)
- Vicki Campbell (Bureau of Land Management)
- Ryan Drobek (Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies)
- Rachel McMahon (Solar Millennium)
- Craig Turchi (National Renewable Energy Lab)
- Jill Fariss (Southern California Edison), Aaron Johnson (Pacific Gas & Electric), and Melanie Day (Sempra Energy Utilities: SDG&E and SCG)
- Terry O'Brien and Roger Johnson (California Energy Commission)
- Laura Crane (The Nature Conservancy) and Jeff Aardahl (Defenders of Wildlife)
- Ilene Anderson (Center for Biological Diversity)
- John Randall (The Nature Conservancy)

**Noon – 1:00 Lunch (on your own)**

**1:00 – 4:30 Continued Presentations and Discussion between Advisors and Plan Representatives and Designated Stakeholders**

**4:30 – 5:00 General Public Comments**

**5:00 Adjourn**



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