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Subject: **QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT (11-AFC-3), STAFF'S STATUS REPORT #10**

Per the Committee's Scheduling Order dated March 5, 2012, staff hereby submits its Status Report #10 to inform the Committee about a potential schedule delay regarding staff's review of the proposed Quail Brush Generation Project (QBGP).

PSA Preparation

Staff is making significant progress in preparing the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) for publication. However, as part of staff's joint review with the San Diego Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD), it has become apparent that both the SDAPCD staff and the Energy Commission staff would benefit from holding another workshop, prior to publication of the PSA.

The workshop is necessary for both agencies to discuss with the applicant, the applicant's approach to developing the air quality model. It is also important for both agencies to discuss which of the QBGP's operating parameters can be adjusted to achieve the lowest emission of criteria pollutants (e.g., start up times for each engine; expected ramp time for the total rated capacity). Related, staff is working to develop and propose conditions of certification in the PSA that are consistent with the SDAPCD's conditions that will be included in the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC). The workshop will provide a public forum for this discussion between the agencies and the applicant.

Preparation of the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC)

Until recently, the SDAPCD had competing workload assignments and therefore was not able to prioritize their review of the QBGP. The SDAPCD is now actively reviewing the QBGP and will participate in the next staff workshop. Following the workshop, the SDAPCD expects to publish the PDOC by March 22, 2013.

Staff Workshop

Staff plans to notice a workshop to be held during the last week of February 2013 or during the first week of March. At this time, staff is working out the logistics of the venue and coordinating availability with the SDAPCD and the applicant. Staff will try

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to identify two separate workshop dates then survey the interveners before selecting a date that will work best.

Proposed Revised Schedule

Due to the need for Energy Commission staff and SDAPCD staff to further discuss and analyze the QBGP's potential impacts to air quality, staff is proposing the Committee adopt the attached, revised schedule.

STAFF'S PROPOSED REVISED SCHEDULE
Quail Brush Generation Project (11-AFC-3)

	ACTIVITY	Calendar Day
1	Discovery phase ends	12-14-12
2	All parties file status reports	01-09-13
3	**Staff Workshop on Air Quality**	**TBD**
4	SDAPCD issues Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC)	03-22-13
5	**Preliminary Staff Assessment** (PSA) filed*	**03-29-13**
6	Status Conference (if needed)**	TBD
7	PSA workshop(s)	TBD
8	Public and agency comments on PSA are due	04-29-13
9	SDAPCD issues Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC)	05-03-13
10	**Final Staff Assessment (FSA) filed**	**05-27-13**
11	Prehearing Conference**	TBD
12	Evidentiary hearings**	TBD
13	Committee files Presiding Member's Proposed Decision (PMPD)**	TBD
14	Hearing on the PMPD**	TBD
15	Committee files errata or revised PMPD (if necessary)**	TBD
16	Full Commission issues its Final Decision	TBD
	***If the PDOC is published sooner, the PSA will also be published sooner**	
	****Items 6, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 will be scheduled by the Committee**	

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