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<i>Energy Facilities Siting and Environmental Protection Division</i>		<b>FILE:</b> 12-AFC-2
		<b>Project Title:</b> Huntington Beach Energy Project (HBEP)
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>E-MAIL:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Meeting Location:</b> Huntington Beach Energy Project Site	
<b>NAME:</b> Anwar Ali, Energy Commission Staff Biologist	<b>Date</b> 9/28/2012	<b>Time</b> 10:30 AM
<b>WITH:</b> Representatives of AES Southland (Stephen O’Kane and Jennifer Didlo); CH2MHILL Application for Certification (AFC) team (Robert Mason, the Project Manager and Melissa Fowler, Biologist); Mathew Chirdon, Staff Environmental Scientist, California Department of Fish and Game; & Christine Medak, Wildlife Biologist, United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).		
<b>SUBJECT:</b> Site Visit		
<p>The purpose of the visit was to verify information provided in the AFC and exchange information about the project. The site visit included a project overview presentation by Stephen O’Kane, AES Southland, followed by a tour around the proposed project site. Below is a summary of discussions which took place during the site visit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Upon inquiring about the extent of project activities adjacent to Magnolia Marsh (marsh), Stephen O’Kane affirmed that HBEP project would not encroach into the marsh, as no construction work would occur beyond the existing fence that separates the existing facility and the marsh.</li> <li>- Discussed potential noise impacts on biological resources with Christine Medak (USFWS), who recommended building a solid fence throughout the duration of project construction in order to offset potential impacts of construction related-noise, lighting and dust on sensitive biological resources.</li> <li>- Christine Medak inquired about any Federal Nexus involvement for HBEP project. Mr. Mason, the Project Manager indicated that the project would involve a Federal Nexus as the project would require a Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permit, to comply with Part C of the Clean Air Act and regulations at 40 C.F.R. § 52.21.</li> <li>- Met with Dr. Gordon W. Smith (Chairman of the Huntington Beach Wetlands Conservancy) at the Magnolia Marsh. Dr. Smith expressed his concern about the status of the landscaping, which provide a screen to the existing industrial facilities, and pointed out to a few gaps along the fence due to missing trees/shrubs. Dr. Smith would like AES to improve the existing landscaping which would enhance the aesthetic value of the neighboring wetlands.</li> </ul>		
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