Memorandum

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Subject: QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT (11-AFC-3), STAFF’S STATUS REPORT #8

Per the Committee’s Notice and Order dated November 20, 2012, staff hereby submits its Status Report #8 regarding the proposed Quail Brush Generation Project (QBGP).

PSA Preparation
Staff is continuing to prepare the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) while reviewing the Application for Certification (AFC) and subsequent filings, including Supplement 3 to the AFC and the applicant’s supplemental alternatives analysis. Applicant submitted an emergency response risk assessment on November 30, 2012. Staff expects the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District to submit a preliminary determination of compliance for the project by the end of December.

Discovery
On November 30, 2012, staff issued additional data requests in the area of Alternatives. The applicant’s data responses are due on or before December 31, 2012.

Future Staff Workshops
At this time staff does not plan to hold any additional workshops prior to publication of the PSA.

Proposed Revised Schedule
Staff recommends the attached revised schedule for the Committee’s consideration. The attached schedule provides for filing of the PSA by January 23, 2013, and was originally included in staff’s November 9, 2012, response to intervenors’ motions.

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*Staff workshop dates are tentative and subject to change

**Items 18, 24, 27, and 31-36 will be scheduled by the Committee
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