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Manzanita Band of the Kumeyaay Nation
Leroy J. Elliott, Chairperson
P.O. Box 1302
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RE: PROPOSED NEW POWER PLANT IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO
QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT (11-AFC-03)

Dear Honorable Chairperson Elliott,

Your name was provided to the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), per the NAHC issued letter dated March 29, 2012, as a representative of a Native American community who might be interested in the proposed construction and operation of a power plant in the City of San Diego (see attached site location and project layout maps).

The Energy Commission has jurisdiction over the proposed project and has received an application for a permit to build and operate the generating plant. The Quail Brush Generation Project (QBGP) is being proposed for development by Quail Brush Genco, LLC.

The proposed Quail Brush Generation Project (Project) is a nominal 100-megawatt (MW) intermediate/peaking load electrical generating facility. It would consist of a set of eleven (11) natural gas-fired reciprocating Wartsila engine generators. The proposed project has a long-term Power Purchase Tolling Agreement (PPA) with SDG&E as a result of a 2009 Request for Offers (RFO). The Project would support SDG&E's efforts to increase reliance on wind, solar and other renewable energy resources. It would also provide peaking and load-shaping power to the grid, along with several ancillary services intended to assure system reliability within the SDG&E service area.

The Project is proposed to be located in the City of San Diego, California, west of the City of Santee, south of the Sycamore Landfill and north of State Route 52. The portion of the Project where the power plant is proposed to be constructed is approximately 11 acres and is located within a 21.6- acre privately owned parcel optioned by Development Land Holdings, LLC. The Project company Quail Brush Genco, LLC (Applicant), and Development Land Holdings are wholly owned subsidiaries of Cogentrix Energy, LLC. Additional Project components located beyond the plant site would include a 230 kilovolt (kV) generation tie-line (gen tie), utility switchyard, and natural gas pipeline lateral.

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Over the coming months, the Energy Commission will be holding a number of public workshops and hearings on the proposal to determine whether the proposed project should be approved for construction and operation and under what set of conditions. These workshops and hearings will provide the public, tribes, local, state and federal agencies the opportunity to ask questions about, and provide input on, the proposed project. Energy Commission staff will be following up this letter with phone calls to gauge any tribal interest or concerns about the project. The Energy Commission will issue notices for these workshops and hearings at least 10 days prior to the meeting.

To view a copy of the Application for Certification and find more information about the project and proceedings, please visit the project website: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/quailbrush/index.html. If you want to be notified by e-mail whenever a public meeting is scheduled or a document is posted to the project website, you can sign up for the project list server on the main web page. Should the tribe request, Energy Commission staff will arrange for a separate meeting to discuss issues that the tribe may wish to hold in confidence from the general public.

The Energy Commission staff welcomes your comments or questions. If you have concerns regarding cultural resources that could be affected by the proposed project, please contact Thomas Gates at (916) 654-5008; Fax: (916) 651-8868; or by e-mail: tgates@energy.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Eric Knight, Manager
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Enclosures: Project Site Location Map
Project Layout Map

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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE *QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT*

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Diane Scott, declare that on April 24, 2012, I served and filed a copy of the (11-AFC-03) QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT – STAFF'S NATIVE AMERICAN CONSULTATION LETTER FOR THE PROPOSED NEW POWER PLANT IN THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, DATED APRIL 23, 2012. This document is accompanied by the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at:

http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/quailbrush/index.html.

The document has been sent to the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit or Chief Counsel, as appropriate, in the following manner:

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AND

For filing with the Docket Unit at the Energy Commission:

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OR, if filing a Petition for Reconsideration of Decision or Order pursuant to Title 20, § 1720:

___ Served by delivering on this date one electronic copy by e-mail, and an original paper copy to the Chief Counsel at the following address, either personally, or for mailing with the U.S. Postal Service with first class postage thereon fully prepaid:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

Original Signed By:
Diane Scott
Siting, Transmission and Environmental Protection Division

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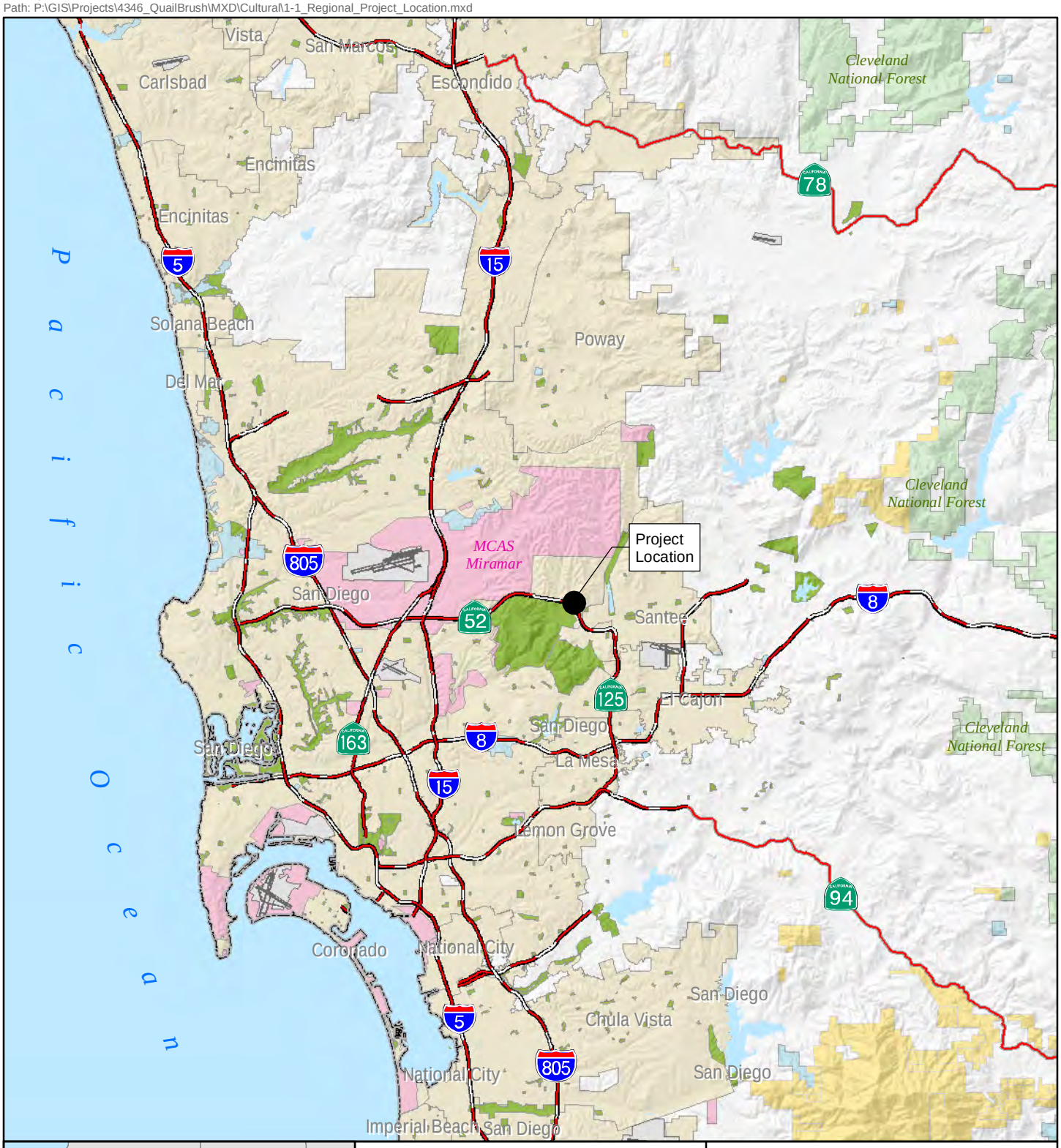

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QUAIL BRUSH GENERATION PROJECT

FIGURE 1-1
REGIONAL PROJECT LOCATION

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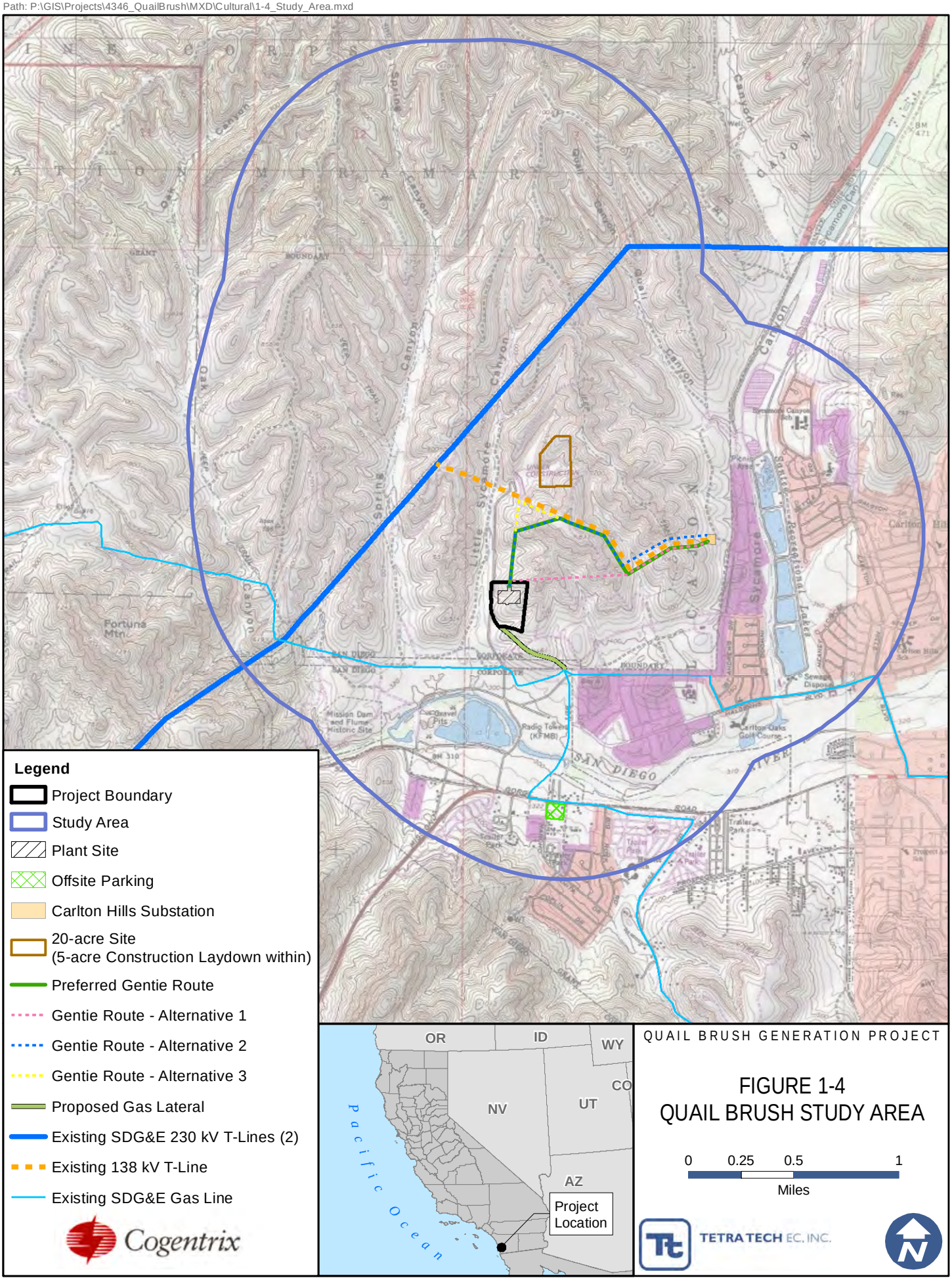
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