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DRECP BLM, CA Energy Commission

Subject: Help ensure our magnificent California desert is protected for future generations!

Dear DRECP BLM, CA Energy Commission

Protecting the California desert's wildlife cultural riches and recreation areas while also ensuring California is addressing our clean energy needs is important to me.

The Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan needs improvements to protect the California desert's treasured lands.

First the plan should protect places that have been identified as wilderness quality lands in the California desert.

I also support adding more than three million acres of public lands to BLM's National Conservation Lands system for their wildlife cultural scenic and recreational values. Silurian Valley is one of many places that should be added to the National Conservation Lands to protect it from proposed renewable energy development.

The proposed renewable energy "Development Focus Areas" should be modified to confine development to the most suitable low conflict areas address community concerns and protect wildlife habitat and wildlands.

There are appropriate places for development and the DRECP should help guide projects to those places. Where there is development in places like the Salton Sea funds generated from development there should be used to help restore other parts of this unique and important wildlife area.

All wild lands are scientifically ecosystems. According to three sciences mankind is "suicidal" when he skins denudes gouges and bulldozes ecosystems as only ecosystems generate and deliver all of mankind's lifelines for life itself. Desert ecosystems' soil is tops at absorbing/storing the climate warming gases for Earth and when we disturb the soil these gases escape into the atmosphere to warm the climate. We're killing every reason mankind breathes -- to help the climate????

Please work to strengthen the DRECP by addressing these issues. Together we can protect the desert and expand needed clean energy.

"Without the services provided by natural ecosystems civilization would collapse and human life would not be possible." American professor and scientist Dr. Paul Ehrlich

Sincerely
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