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## Public Meeting Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP) Stakeholder Committee Meeting

The Stakeholder Committee of the California Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP) will meet on:

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012**

**9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

**This will be a WebEx meeting. See WebEx information below.**

**For those that wish to attend in person, the WebEx meeting will be held at the California Energy Commission, 1516 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, Hearing Room B.**

Topics to be discussed are as follows:

- Updates and Announcements
- CalWEA Refined Wind Energy Proposal
- Solar PEIS Update
- Review and Discussion of Renewable Energy Assumptions (acres and megawatts) for DRECP
- Transmission Planning Update and Discussion
- Public Comment

Other topics may be added and a more complete agenda will be posted four days prior to the meeting at [www.drecp.org/meetings/index.html](http://www.drecp.org/meetings/index.html).

### Up-Coming Events

A DRECP Stakeholder meeting is planned for April 11 and 12. Tentatively, we expect to cover biological goals and objectives, reserve design and Marxan modeling, electric transmission planning, renewable energy scenarios, and a draft preliminary proposed action (including development areas and conservation strategy). In addition, we may have breakout sessions to discuss, in greater detail, some of these topics.

### DRECP Background

Senate Bill X1-2 (Simitian, Chapter 1, Statutes of 2011), signed into law by the Governor on April 12, 2011, increased California's renewable energy portfolio standard to 33 percent by 2020, and Executive Order S-14-08 mandated the development of the DRECP, a major component of California's renewable energy planning efforts. The DRECP, when completed, is expected to further these objectives and accelerate the processing of renewable projects in the Mojave and Colorado deserts of California.

The DRECP will be a Natural Community Conservation Plan, which will help provide effective protection and conservation of desert ecosystems while allowing for the appropriate development of renewable energy projects. It will provide long-term endangered species permit assurances to renewable energy developers and a process for conservation funding to implement the DRECP. The DRECP will also serve as the basis for one or more Habitat Conservation Plans under the Federal Endangered Species Act. The Stakeholder Committee was established to provide a forum for public participation and input into the DRECP. The list of Stakeholders is posted on the website and includes representatives of the counties in the desert region, renewable energy developers, environmental organizations, electric utilities, and state and federal agencies.

## **Written Comments**

Members of the Stakeholder Committee and the public who wish to provide written comments on any of the meeting topics are asked to submit comments by March 28, 2012. Please include the docket number 09-RENEW EO-01 and indicate Renewable Energy Executive Order in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Those submitting comments electronically should provide them in either Microsoft Word format or as a Portable Document Format (PDF) to [docket@energy.ca.gov]. Please include your name or organization's name in the file name. Those preparing non-electronic written comments should mail or hand deliver them to:

California Energy Commission  
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If you have questions on the subject matter of this meeting, please contact David Harlow, DRECP Director by e-mail at [[dharlow@energy.ca.gov](mailto:dharlow@energy.ca.gov)] or Scott Flint of the California Energy Commission at (916) 651-3774, or by e-mail at [[sflint@energy.ca.gov](mailto:sflint@energy.ca.gov)].

Notices, reports, and documents pertaining to the DRECP are posted at [www.drecp.org/](http://www.drecp.org/). If you would like to receive automatic notices of meetings, workshops, hearings, and reports, sign up for the electronic list server at the bottom of the web page.

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