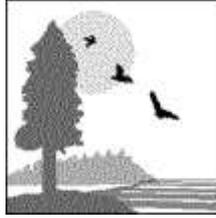


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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15087, this is to advise that the California State Lands Commission (CSLC) has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Project described below.

Project Title	Central Coastal California Seismic Imaging Project (Project)
Project Location	The proposed Project would be conducted onshore, and in nearshore and offshore (~400 meter depth) marine waters along the central California coast, between Cambria and Guadalupe in San Luis Obispo County. The Project area contains both State and Federal waters, and overlaps with the Cambria-White Rock and Point Buchon marine protected areas (MPAs), as well as the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS).
Project Description	<p>Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) has applied to the CSLC for a Geophysical Survey Permit in order to conduct a deep¹ high-energy seismic survey offshore of the Diablo Canyon Power Plant (DCPP), an electricity-generating nuclear power plant located in Avila Beach, California.</p> <p>PG&E has been directed to conduct the survey by the California Energy Commission (CEC) pursuant to a report prepared to comply with Assembly Bill 1632 (Blakeslee, Chapter 722, Statutes of 2006). The Project proposed by PG&E intends to implement the recommendations of the CEC and California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) by conducting a survey of the various fault zones, particularly the intersections of fault lines, in the vicinity of the DCPP.</p>

¹ "Deep" means depths of 6 to 9 miles (10 to 15 kilometers), the depths required to identify and characterize active faults.

PG&E proposes to conduct the Project, which consists of the following components, between September 2012 and December 2012.

- Offshore High-Energy Seismic Survey – Conducting a high-energy offshore seismic survey in four zones, totaling approximately 1,820 square kilometers, from near Cambria at the northern end to near Guadalupe at the southern end, including in the vicinity of Morro Bay. The survey will be conducted using a geophysical vessel, assisted by support/monitoring vessels, towing a series of sound-generating air guns and sound-recording hydrophones.
- Nearshore and Onshore Seismic Data Collection – Deploying cabled geophone lines on the sea floor in nearshore areas off of the Point Buchon peninsula, as well as nodal geophones in the Northern (south of Cambria), Central (along the Morro Strand), and Southern (DCPP vicinity) Areas to record onshore and offshore energy signals. Vibroseis and Accelerated Weight Drop (AWD) vehicles would produce onshore seismic signals, and would be deployed along existing roads and trails in the Southern Area.

The public review period for this DEIR will begin on Monday, March 19, 2012, and will end on Thursday, May 3, 2012. **Due to the time limits mandated by State law, written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on May 3, 2012.**

Please send your comments at the earliest possible date to the individual listed below:

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NOTE: You are encouraged to submit electronic copies of your comments in Microsoft Word format. If comments are faxed or sent by e-mail, please also mail a copy to ensure that a clean copy is received by this office.

Before including your address, telephone number, email address or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time (including in the Final EIR and posted on the CSLC's website). While you may ask the CSLC (prominently at the beginning of your submission) to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, the CSLC cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so. The CSLC will make available for inspection, in their entirety, all comments submitted by organizations or businesses or by individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations or businesses.

Document Locations:

This document, identified as CSLC EIR #758 and State Clearinghouse Number 2011061085, may be viewed electronically, in PDF format, on the CSLC internet website at www.slc.ca.gov (under the “Information” tab and “CEQA Updates” link). Copies of the DEIR will also be available for review at the following locations:

San Luis Obispo Library 995 Palm Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93403 Hours: Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday – Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors Room D-430, County Government Center San Luis Obispo, CA 93408 (805) 781-5450 Hours: Mon. – Fri., 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Port San Luis Harbor District 3950 Avila Beach Drive Avila Beach, CA 93424 (805) 595-5400	City of Morro Bay Harbor Department 1275 Embarcadero Morro Bay, CA 93442 (805) 772-6254 Hours: Mon. – Fri., 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
CSLC, Attn: Jennifer DeLeon ² Environmental Planning & Mgmt. Div. 100 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-South Sacramento, CA 95825 (916) 574-1885 Jennifer.DeLeon@slc.ca.gov	CSLC, Attn: Richard Greenwood Mineral Resources Management Div. 200 Oceangate, 12 th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802 (562) 590-5201 Richard.Greenwood@slc.ca.gov

If you would like a compact disc (CD) or hard copy of the DEIR mailed to you, please contact Jennifer DeLeon at the above telephone number or email address.

Public Meetings:

Pursuant to the State CEQA Guidelines³ section 15082, subdivision (c)(1), the CSLC held two public meetings on July 21, 2011 to receive oral and written comments regarding the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the DEIR. Comments received were considered and incorporated, as appropriate, into the DEIR.

The CSLC will also conduct two public hearings, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15087, subdivision (i), to receive oral or written comments on the DEIR at the times and place listed below:

- DATE:** **Thursday, April 19, 2011**
- TIME:** **2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**
- LOCATION:** **San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors**
Government Center Board Chambers
1055 Monterey Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408
Telephone: (805) 781-5450

² All documents referenced in the EIR will also be available at this address for public review during the CSLC’s normal working hours (State CEQA Guidelines, § 15087, subd. (c)(5)).

³ The State CEQA Guidelines are found in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15000 et seq.

A sign language interpreter will be provided upon advance notification of need by a hard-of-hearing person. Such notification should be made as soon as possible prior to date of the scoping meetings. If you need reasonable accommodation, to conduct business with the CSLC staff conducting the scoping meetings, for a disability as defined by the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act and the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, please contact Jennifer DeLeon at (916) 574-0748 in advance of the scoping meetings to arrange for such accommodation.

Potential Significant Impacts on the Environment:

The DEIR discusses the potential for significant impacts on the environment in the following subject areas: Air Quality; Terrestrial Biological Resources; Marine Biological Resources; Greenhouse Gases; Land Use and Recreation; and Noise.

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