

# ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE AGENDA

## Energy & Environmental Resources Committee Members:

### City of Blythe

Vice Mayor Beverly Mays

### City of Cathedral City

Mayor Pro Tem Bud England

### City of Coachella

Mayor Eduardo Garcia

### City of Desert Hot Springs

Councilmember Russell Betts

### City of Indian Wells

Mayor Larry Spicer

### City of Indio

Councilmember Ben Godfrey, Chair

### City of La Quinta

Councilmember Stanley Sniff

### City of Palm Desert

Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Finerty

### City of Palm Springs

Mayor Stephen Pougnet, Vice Chair

### City of Rancho Mirage

Mayor Pro Tem Gordon Moller

### County of Riverside

[Appointment Pending]

### Mission Springs Water District

Board Member Nancy Wright

### Imperial Irrigation District

Board Member Anthony Sanchez

### Aqua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

Tribal Vice Chair Jeff L. Grubbe

### Cabazon Band of Mission Indians

Voting Member - Unassigned

### CVAG Staff

Tom Kirk, Executive Director  
Katie Barrows, Environmental Resources Director  
Aurora Wilson, Community Resources Director  
Jim Sullivan, GIS Program Director  
Linda Rogers, Program Assistant II

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA MAY RESULT IN ACTION BEING TAKEN ON THE ITEMS BY THE COMMITTEE.

**THIS MEETING IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HANDICAPPED.**

The next meeting of CVAG=s Energy & Environmental Resources Committee meeting is as follows:

**Thursday, November 12, 2009**

**12:00 Noon**

**CVAG=s Offices**

**73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119**

**Palm Desert, CA**

**Video conferencing will be available at:**

**City of Blythe**

**City Hall**

**235 N. Broadway, Room A**

**Blythe, California**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **FINALIZATION OF AGENDA & ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS**

The Committee may add an item to the agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Committee. If there are less than 2/3 of the Committee members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
6. **COMMITTEE MEMBER & DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**
8. **SOLAR/RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY** – Holly Roberts, Bureau of Land Management
9. **EXTEND CURRENT CONTRACT WITH NICK NICKERSON OF NAI CONSULTING THROUGH AMENDMENT FOR COMPLETION OF FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS**  
– Aurora Wilson

Refer to pages 4 - 12

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Energy and Environmental Resources Committee recommend that the Executive Committee extend the current contract through Amendment Five with Nick Nickerson of NAI Consulting for completion of federally funded projects in the amount of \$20,140 to be funded through Regional AB2766 funds (\$15,140) and Transportation funds (\$5,000).

10. **CONTRACT WITH CALTRANS FOR RECOVERY EFFORT OF BLOWSAND MITIGATION THROUGH TREE PLANTING AND IRRIGATION PROJECTS AT HIGHWAY 111 AND HIGHWAY 62** – Aurora Wilson

Refer to pages 13 - 21

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Energy and Environmental Resources Committee recommend that the Executive Committee approve the contract between the Coachella Valley Association of Governments and the California Department of Transportation for the replacement of irrigation systems associated with blowsand mitigation projects using Tamarisk trees at Highway 111 and Highway 62 using Colmac Funds for an amount not to exceed \$153,000.

11. **CONSIDER CONTRACT FOR PROJECT MANAGER OF AERIAL PHOTO PROJECT**

Refer to pages 22 - 36

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Energy and Environmental Resources Committee recommend that the Executive Committee approve entering into a contract with Resource Strategies, Inc. for development and management of a Coachella Valley aerial photography project. Resource Strategies, Inc. would be paid 20% of the project cost up to \$60,000 and 15% of any project cost above \$60,000. Resource Strategies, Inc. would only be paid if the project goes forward and funds are collected.

12. **CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET FOR USED OIL RECYCLING PROGRAM FOR ADVERTISING AND USED OIL RECYCLING EVENTS** – Katie Barrows

Refer to pages 37 - 40

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Energy and Environmental Resources Committee recommend that the Executive Committee approve the Used Oil Recycling Program Budget and Cost Reduction Strategy for Advertising and Used Oil Recycling Events.

13. **CONSIDERATION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON AND AN AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY FOR THE DESERT CITIES ENERGY PARTNERSHIP** – Katie Barrows

Refer to pages 41 – 42 and ATTACHMENT 1

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Energy and Environmental Resources Committee recommend to the Executive Committee:

- 1) Approval of an Agreement with Southern California Edison for the Desert Cities Energy Partnership for 2010 through 2012, including funding to CVAG for coordination and marketing of the program, pending final review by CVAG staff and legal counsel.
- 2) Approval of an Agreement with Southern California Gas Company and CVAG for the Desert Cities Energy Efficiency Partnership for 2010 through 2012, pending final review by CVAG staff and legal counsel.

14. **UPDATE ON GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY** – Katie Barrows

15. **CONSIDERATION OF WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE ORDINANCE** – Katie Barrows

Refer to pages 43 – 44 and ATTACHMENT 2

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** This report is for information only.

16. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Approval**

- 16A Approve Minutes of the October 8, 2009 Energy and Environmental Resources Committee meetings.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Approval.

**Information**

- 16B Energy & Environmental Resources Committee Attendance Roster

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17. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- CVAG Committees go dark in December.
- The next **Energy & Environmental Resources Committee** is scheduled for January 14, 2010 at 12:00 Noon.
- The next **Energy & Water Conservation Subcommittee** is scheduled for January 21, 2010 at 8:00 a.m.

18. **ADJOURNMENT**