

CHAPTER 3

Comments on the Recirculated Draft EIR

Introduction

This chapter provides a list of all the written comments (including letters, emails, etc.) received during the RDEIR public review period (from March 25, 2010 to May 27, 2010).

Summary of Comment Letters

The public agencies, organizations, and individuals that submitted comments on the RDEIR are listed below in Table 3-1. As shown in the table, each comment letter has been designated by a specific letter and number that will be used to refer to particular comments and responses. To facilitate simultaneous review of the comment letters and responses (provided in Chapter 5 of this FEIR), the comment letters are provided in Volume II of this FEIR. Table 3-1 identifies the location (page number) of the individual comment letters in Volume II.

**TABLE 3-1
COMMENT LETTERS RECEIVED DURING THE RDEIR REVIEW PERIOD**

Commenter	Date Received	Letter Code	Page (See Volume II of FEIR)
Public Agencies – Federal Agencies			
Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	April 19, 2010	A1	3-5
Public Agencies – State Agencies			
California Energy Commission	April 20, 2010	A2	3-7
California Public Utility Commission (a duplicate letter was received on June 21, 2010)	May 5, 2010	A3	3-9
Governor's Office of Planning and Research	May 11, 2010	A4	3-11
California Department of Conservation	May 12, 2010	A5	3-15
Governor's Office of Planning and Research	May 13, 2010	A6	3-17
California Department of Transportation	May 18, 2010	A7	3-21
California Department of Justice – Attorney General Office	May 27, 2010	A8	3-31
Public Agencies – Regional and Local Agencies			
Kings Canyon Unified School District	May 3, 2010	A9	3-75
City of Dinuba	May 27, 2010	A10	3-79
City of Farmersville	May 27, 2010	A11	3-81
City of Porterville	May 27, 2010	A12	3-85
City of Tulare	May 27, 2010	A13	3-87
City of Visalia	May 27, 2010	A14	3-89
City of Woodlake	May 27, 2010	A15	3-91
San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District	May 27, 2010	A16	3-93

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Individuals			
Chevron Environmental Management Company	April 9, 2010	I1	3-97
Del Strange	April 14, 2010	I2	3-101
Chevron Environmental Management Company	April 21, 2010	I3	3-105
Carole A. and J. Peter Clum	April 26, 2010	I4	3-109
California Native Plant Society	May 5, 2010	I5	3-113
Carole A. and J. Peter Clum	May 5, 2010	I6	3-117
Del Strange	May 13, 2010	I7	3-119
Law Offices of Robert Krase	May 13, 2010	I8	3-121
Edgar & Associates	May 26, 2010	I9	3-127
Home Builders Association of Tulare/Kings Counties	May 26, 2010	I10	3-145
Sierra Club Kern-Kaweah Chapter (Carole A. and J. Peter Clum)	May 26, 2010	I11	3-149
American Farmland Trust	May 27, 2010	I12	3-1007
Center for Race, Poverty and the Environment	May 27, 2010	I13	3-1019
Center for Race, Poverty and the Environment; Community Water Center; Center for Biological Diversity; and the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation	May 27, 2010	I14	3-1051
Connie Fry	May 27, 2010	I15	3-1091
Don Manro	May 27, 2010	I16	3-1101
Greg and Laurie Schwaller	May 27, 2010	I17	3-1107
James Seligman	May 27, 2010	I18	3-1347
Karen Bodner and Michael Olecki	May 27, 2010	I19	3-1349
Sarah Campe	May 27, 2010	I20	3-1449
Shute, Mihaly & Weinberger LLF (for the Tulare Council of Cities)	May 27, 2010	I21	3-1453
Southern Sierra Archaeological Society	May 27, 2010	I22	3-1537
Tulare County Citizens for Responsible Growth	May 27, 2010	I23	3-1543
Wuksachi Indian Tribe	May 27, 2010	I24	3-1569
Kathleen Seligman	May 28, 2010	I25	3-1571
Law Offices of Babak Naficy (Sierra Club Kern-Kaweah Chapter)	May 28, 2010	I26	3-1573
Sequoia Riverlands Trust	June 3, 2010	I27	3-1597
Tulare County Farm Bureau	June 7, 2010	I28	3-1605

Response to Comments

Each of the comment letters identified above in Table 2-1 are provided on the following pages, with individual responses to each of the comment letters provided in Chapter 5 “Response to Comments on the RDEIR”. The content of each letter has been divided into individual comments. To assist in referencing these comments and providing a link to the responses (included in Chapter 5), each comment letter has been assigned a letter and number combination (i.e. A1, A2, etc.) and each individual comment within the letter a corresponding number (i.e. A1-1, A1-2, etc.). Letters received from public agencies have been organized alphabetically and identified by the letter “A”, followed by a number. For example, the first agency letter (Department of the Army, U.S. Corp of Army engineers) is identified as “A1”, the second agency letter (California Energy Commission) as “A2”, and so forth. Letters from individuals have been assigned the letter “I”.

This category follows the same numbering assignment as described previously (I1, I2, I3, etc.). The responses provided in Chapter 5 of this FEIR are organized in a similar fashion.

Where changes to the RDEIR text result from these responses to comments, those changes are presented in Chapter 2 “Minor Changes and Edits to the RDEIR” of this document, with changes shown by underlining new text (e.g., new text) and striking out text to be deleted (e.g., ~~deleted text~~). Comments which present opinions about the project unrelated to environmental issues or which raise issues not directly related either to the substance of the RDEIR or to environmental issues are noted without a detailed response.