issued to the City of San Diego in association with its Multiple Species Conservation Program Subarea Plan (MSCP SAP). The VPHCP would be compatible with, and would expand upon, the City’s existing MSCP SAP by adding approximately 275 acres of additional lands with vernal pools that are occupied with threatened and endangered vernal pool species. The VPHCP would conserve an additional 8 vernal pool complexes and additional 226 pools (approximately 9% more), totaling 2.8 acres of basin area, over what is currently conserved. Once adopted, vernal pool lands would be subject to the provisions of the VPHCP, in addition to the City’s MSCP SAP and other existing land use and biological resource plans, policies, and regulations.

National Environmental Policy Act Compliance

The EIR/EIS analyzes two alternatives in addition to the proposed action (i.e., permit issuance based on the VPHCP) described above. The other alternatives include a no-action (i.e., no permit) alternative and an expanded conservation alternative.

The final EIR/EIS includes all comments we received on the draft EIR/EIS and our response to those comments. After the 30 day waiting period, we will complete a Record of Decision that announces our decision on the action that will be implemented and discusses all factors leading to the decision.

Public Review

Copies of the final EIR/EIS and the VPHCP are available for review (see Availability of Documents). Any comments we receive will become part of the administrative record and may be available to the public. Before including your address, phone 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. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority: We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22) and NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Geological Survey

Notice of Public Meeting of Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, and the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Authorization Act of 1977, the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) will meet as indicated below. The SESAC will hold public meetings on March 5–6, 2018. On March 5, 2018, the SESAC will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on March 6, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

DATES: The SESAC meeting will be held at the Caltech Avery Library, 370 Holliston Avenue, Pasadena, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions should be directed to Dr. William Leith, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, MS 905, Reston, Virginia 20192. Dr. Leith can be reached by calling (703) 648–6712 or via email at wleith@usgs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SESAC advises the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the USGS’s participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. The Committee is comprised of members from academia, industry, and State government. In this meeting, the Committee will review the current activities of the USGS Earthquake Hazards Program and discuss future priorities. All meetings are open to the public.

Public Disclosure: Before including your address, phone 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. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we