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1) Name or description of project: June 8, 2022 Agenda Item W 6 a, BOEM OSW project for Morro Bay

2) Date and time of receipt of communication:
June 2, 2022 at 3pm-3:35pm

3) Location of communication
On Zoom

4) Identity of person(s) initiating communication:
Kristen Hilsop, Environmental Defense Center (EDC)

5) Identity of person(s) on whose behalf communication was made:
A group of Environmental NGOs


6) Identity of persons(s) receiving communication:
Donne Brownsey

7) Identity of all person(s) present during the communication:
Brownsey, Hilsop and Linda Krop with EDC, Lisa Belensky, Center for Biological Diversity, Irene Gutierrez, NRDC

Complete, comprehensive description of communication content:

The group supports the conditional concurrence recommendation of the staff report for the BOEM action on the Morro Bay leases. However they requested that a number of conditions that are mentioned in the staff report but not required to be part of the leasing concurrence be added. We discussed that this issue came up in Humboldt and I indicated that I thought that the staff had gotten the balance correct by referencing the more specific conditions that would be the metrics that any contract/applicant would need to hit for the permit to build and maintain the OSW project. The group stated that it was their belief that this established a negative precedent that the Commission had established during the deliberations on oil and gas leasing. And that this may be the model for future wind, aquaculture and other projects. They stated that this was the only time that BOEM was before the Commission and since staff identified the potential impacts, these impacts should be included as part of the process at this stage.

Date June 2, 2022



Signature of Commissioner Donne Brownsey