

APPENDIX 2

COST PROPOSAL FOR PREPARATION OF THE PACIFIC COAST ENERGY COMPANY
ORCUTT HILL RESOURCE ENHANCEMENT PLAN PROJECT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

COST PROPOSAL

**to Prepare Environmental Impact Report
for the
ERG Operating Company West Cat Canyon
Revitalization Plan Project**

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Presented to:

**County of Santa Barbara
Planning and Development
Energy & Minerals Division**

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Cost Proposal

Aspen Environmental Group (Aspen) has prepared this cost proposal consistent with the October 23, 2014 Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the County of Santa Barbara. As specified in the RFP, it is presented separate from the Technical Proposal and presents the costs associated with preparation of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the West Cat Canyon Revitalization Plan Project (proposed project, or project) proposed by ERG Operating Company (ERG). The costs were developed taking into account the background reports prepared by ERG for this project and past work conducted on the project site.

Aspen's technical proposal, Exhibit 4, provides the total hours per team member and their percentage of project hours on the project. Our estimated not-to-exceed cost for completion of our proposed scope of work is \$210,186 or \$241,714 with a fifteen percent contingency included, as requested. Exhibit 1 summarizes the total cost by task, while Exhibit 2 provides a summary of total labor cost by task and issue area.

Our estimated cost is based on the following assumptions:

- For the purposes of estimating costs associated with project meetings with Planning and Development staff, we have assumed that Vida Strong, our proposed Project Manager, will attend project meetings with County staff in Santa Barbara. Being located in Santa Barbara, Ms. Strong is available as needed for meetings. We have also assumed that up to two issue-area experts will be available by phone to participate in up to three meetings. The unit cost for technical expert participation in additional meetings would be \$1,250 for meetings lasting up to three hours in duration.
- We understand that, if selected, Aspen will be expected to attend and participate in the scoping meeting, one public comment hearing on the Draft EIR in the Santa Maria area and two public hearings before the County Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors in Santa Maria. Our cost assumes that Ms. Strong will attend these noted meetings/hearings. In addition, we have included the cost for up to three issue-area experts to participate in the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisor hearings (estimated at this time to be Air Quality/GHG, Risk of Upset, and Geologic Hazards/Groundwater, although the issue area specialists to be brought to the hearings will depend on project needs at the time). We have estimated that each hearing could be up to six hours in length with travel. Our costs include an overnight stay for our issue-area experts. The maximum unit cost for additional hearings for Ms. Strong and up to three issue area specialists would be \$6,750 including labor, transportation costs, one overnight stay for each issue area specialist, and minimal travel for our Project Manager to go from Santa Barbara to Santa Maria.
- Our costs assume the Applicant will provide all required background studies for use in the EIR. We have reviewed the available studies submitted along with the RFP. Therefore, this estimate is based on receiving any additional information from the Applicant and timely response to data requests or clarifications. If resolution of outstanding data needs cannot be readily corrected and additional research, field investigation or other analyses are needed beyond what is outlined in our technical scope of work (Technical Proposal, Section 4 Study Methodology), a commensurate cost modification may be requested.
- Energy & Minerals Division staff will provide all applicable planning documents and ordinances if they are not readily available on the Planning and Development Department's website.
- Our cost estimate is based on review and comment by Planning and Development staff and one unified set of review comments to respond to on the Administrative Draft EIR and Administrative Final EIR.

- Public comments received on the Draft EIR are not disproportionate (e.g., exceed) to the time, in hours, needed to respond to them and modify the document for the purposes of preparing the Administrative Final EIR, as outlined in our detailed cost summaries.
- Agency comments received on the Draft Final EIR are not disproportionate (e.g., exceed) to the time, in hours, needed to respond to them and modify the document for the purposes of preparing the Final EIR, as outlined in our detailed cost summaries.
- Energy & Minerals Division staff will be responsible for distributing/ mailing of all CEQA-related notices and postings, Draft and Final EIR distribution and circulation, preparing the Final EIR’s Findings of Facts and Statement of Overriding Considerations (if necessary).
- Our cost assumes that the deliverables to be submitted to the Energy & Minerals Division are those outlined in Section 4 of our technical proposal, which reflects the specifications of the proposed project’s RFP. Our costs also assume that the EIR will not exceed a total of 150 pages (with appendices on a CD) for printing and publication costs.
- Aspen understands that the project payment will be on a Time and Materials basis (page 11, 6th bullet of the RFP) with the potential for partial payment based on delivery of specific products (e.g. 50% upon acceptance of Administrative Draft EIR, 20% on Draft EIR, 20% on Final EIR, and 10% upon satisfactory completion of all contract duties).

Exhibit 1. Summary of Cost by Task											
Category	Task 1 NOP and Scoping	Task 2 Written Summary of Comments	Task 3 Proj Desc., Setting, Alternatives	Task 4 ADEIR and Tech Appendices	Task 5 DEIR and Technical Appendices	Task 6 Hearing and Comment Summary	Task 7 Resp to Comments	Task 8 Admin Final EIR	Task 9 Draft FEIR and Hearings	Task 10 Final EIR	TOTAL
Aspen Labor Costs	\$2,976	\$2,245	\$8,562	\$47,853	\$14,077	\$7,142	\$15,629	\$10,004	\$10,852	\$2,545	\$121,885
Subcontractor Labor costs			\$1,793	\$38,664	\$9,288	\$1,253	\$10,757	\$3,391	\$14,278		\$79,423
Non-Labor Costs		\$324.00	\$210.60	\$702.00	\$1,026.00	\$378.00	\$27.00	\$270.00	\$5,562.00	\$378.00	\$8,878
Total	\$2,976	\$2,569	\$10,565	\$87,219	\$24,391	\$8,773	\$26,413	\$13,665	\$30,692	\$2,923	\$210,186
Percentage of Total Cost	1%	1%	5%	41%	12%	4%	13%	7%	15%	1%	100%
15% Contingency											\$31,528
Total Cost + Contingency											\$241,714

Exhibit 2. Labor Cost By Task and Issue Area																								
Issue Area and Labor Category	Personnel	Hourly Rate	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	Task 5	Task 6	Task 7	Task 8	Task 9	Task 10	Total Labor											
			NOP and Scoping	Written Summary of Comments	Proj Desc., Setting, Alternatives	ADEIR and Tech Appendices	DEIR and Technical Appendices	Hearing and Comment Summary	Resp to Comments	Admin Final EIR	Draft FEIR and Hearings	Final EIR	Hours	Budget										
Aspen Team																								
Project Management																								
Principal-in-Charge	Jon Davidson	\$195			2	\$390														2	\$390			
Project Manager	Vida Strong	\$160	8	\$1,280	8	\$1,280	8	\$1,280	60	\$9,600	20	\$3,200	12	\$1,920	20	\$3,200	20	\$3,200	16	\$2,560	8	\$1,280	180	\$28,800
Associate, Other CEQA	Susanne Huerta	\$90	10	\$900	10	\$900	12	\$1,080	36	\$3,240	24	\$2,160	20	\$1,800	12	\$1,080	12	\$1,080	16	\$1,440	8	\$720	160	\$14,400
Administrative	Administrative	\$50					8	\$400	12	\$600	4	\$200	4	\$200	4	\$200	4	\$200	2	\$100	2	\$100	40	\$2,000
Project Management	Billing	\$65			1	\$65	1	\$65	1	\$65	1	\$65	1	\$65	1	\$65	1	\$65	1	\$65	1	\$65	9	\$585
Contracts/Document Production	Emily Chinea	\$95					4	\$380	6	\$570	6	\$570	2	\$190	6	\$570	4	\$380	6	\$570	4	\$380	38	\$3,610
Graphics	Kaf Simpson/M. Tangard	\$100	8	\$796			8	\$796	10	\$995	4	\$398	8	\$796	4	\$398	4	\$398	8	\$796			54	\$5,373
PD/Cumulative/Alternatives																								
PD/Cumulative/Alternatives	Vida Strong	\$160					6	\$960	8	\$1,280	2	\$320	2	\$320	4	\$640	2	\$320	1	\$160			25	\$4,000
Associate	Susanne Huerta	\$90					6	\$540	8	\$720	2	\$180	2	\$180	4	\$360	2	\$180	1	\$90			25	\$2,250
Air Quality/ Greenhouse Gas																								
Air Quality/Greenhouse Gas	Brewster Birdsall	\$165					4	\$660	60	\$9,900	16	\$2,640	2	\$330	16	\$2,640	8	\$1,320	20	\$3,300			126	\$20,790
Biological Resources																								
Biological Resources	Chris Huntley	\$160					2	\$320	12	\$1,920	2	\$320			6	\$960	2	\$320	1	\$160			25	\$4,000
Biological Resources	Jennifer Lancaster	\$99					2	\$198	60	\$5,940	8	\$792	2	\$198	16	\$1,584	8	\$792	2	\$198			98	\$9,702
Biological Resources	Tracy Popiel	\$78							6	\$468	2	\$156			4	\$312	2	\$156					14	\$1,092
Geologic Processes, Geologic Hazards, and Paleontology																								
Geology and Soils, Groundwater	James Thurber (GTC)	\$180					2	\$389	60	\$11,664	20	\$3,888	2	\$389	12	\$2,333	8	\$1,555	24	\$4,666			128	\$24,883
Geology and Soils, Groundwater	Aurie Patterson (GTC)	\$150					2	\$324	80	\$12,960	20	\$3,240	2	\$324	12	\$1,944	8	\$1,296	6	\$972			130	\$21,060
Hazardous Materials/Risk of Upset																								
Haz. Materials/Risk of Upset	George Hampton	\$95							16	\$1,520	4	\$380	2	\$190	8	\$760	2	\$190	2	\$190			34	\$3,230
Haz. Materials/Risk of Upset	Peter Stickle (ioMosaic)	\$250					4	\$1,080	52	\$14,040	8	\$2,160	2	\$540	24	\$6,480	2	\$540	32	\$8,640			124	\$33,480
Historic/Cultural Resources																								
Historic/Cultural Resources	Beth Bagwell	\$110					2	\$220	6	\$660	1	\$110			1	\$110	1	\$110	1	\$110			12	\$1,320
Historic/Cultural Resources	Evan Elliott	\$85					2	\$170	32	\$2,720	4	\$340	2	\$170	6	\$510	2	\$170	2	\$170			50	\$4,250
Land Use/Policy Consistency																								
Land Use/Policy Consistency	Sue Walker	\$160					2	\$320	8	\$1,280	2	\$320			2	\$320	1	\$160	1	\$160			16	\$2,560
Land Use/Policy Consistency	Susanne Huerta	\$90					2	\$180	24	\$2,160	8	\$720	2	\$180	8	\$720	4	\$360	2	\$180			50	\$4,500
Noise																								
Noise	Scott DeBauche	\$101					2	\$202	12	\$1,212	4	\$404	2	\$202	2	\$202	2	\$202	2	\$202			26	\$2,626
Transportation/Circulation																								
Transportation/Circulation	Scott DeBauche	\$101					2	\$202	12	\$1,212	4	\$404	2	\$202	2	\$202	2	\$202	2	\$202			26	\$2,626
Water Resources																								
Water Resources	Aubrey Mescher	\$100					2	\$199	18	\$1,791	4	\$398	2	\$199	8	\$796	2	\$199	2	\$199			38	\$3,781
Other Direct Costs																								
Travel, Per Diem					\$300	\$120		\$350												\$4,000	\$300		\$5,370	
Copies and CDs						\$50				\$900		\$25					\$200		\$1,100				\$2,275	
Shipping										\$50						\$50		\$50			\$50		\$200	
Phone (Conference calls only)						\$25						\$25		\$25									\$75	
Other (Miscellaneous)								\$300															\$300	
Total Aspen Non-Labor Costs					\$300	\$195		\$650		\$950		\$350		\$25		\$250		\$5,150		\$350			\$8,220	
(with Aspen Fee 8%)					\$324	\$211		\$702		\$1,026		\$378		\$27		\$270		\$5,562		\$378			\$8,878	
Total Cost Per Issue Area >>>>>>>>					\$2,976	\$2,569		\$10,565		\$87,219		\$24,391		\$8,773		\$26,413		\$13,665		\$30,692			\$2,923	\$210,186
Contingency Fee 15% >>>>>>>>																								\$31,528
Total Cost plus 15% Contingency Fee >>>>>>>>																								\$241,714

