

**Four Corners Air Quality Task Force
Power Plants Work Group
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Review public comments and revise/finalize sections

Deb Banton: don't build another power plant

Desert Rock has been addressed through the mitigation options. Health issues have been included in health study mitigation options.

Comments will be reproduced at end of power plant section

Add statement in preface that an option would have been not to build Desert Rock—add number of comments that were against.

Catherine Boyd: renewable energy is the subject of several mitigation options.

Biomass: proposed 53 MW plant to take slash from BLM/FS. Air permit was ready to be issued, NMED director denied permit (it was a political issue). Biomass is not that clean, and is CO₂ neutral. There is a mitigation option addressing biomass.

All should take a look at the Biomass option, in the Future Power Plants section

Marion Francis: against DREF

Cindy Quigley: against DREF, for alternative energy

Desert Rock Energy LLC:

- voluntary regional air quality improvement plan is included as a mitigation option. **Need to look at this option and make sure it's current and check on regional nature of SO₂ control** (Susan)
- Re: draft report being incorrect about emissions being added to the area—this is in essence a differing opinion?? Not sure what we decided on action. (include reference to DREF comments in Proposed Power Plants section)
- CO₂ emissions: should we reference Supreme Court decision that says CO₂ is an air pollutant?
- IGCC and Dessert Rock: Put a note in appropriate section to see differing opinion in the comments.

Dave Ruger: regarding nuclear—should we put in as an option? **Ask Dave Ruger to write something more complete.**

Erich Fowler: follow up with monitoring group.

Renee Lewis: follow up with monitoring group

Mark Jones: solar energy plant, **reference in photovoltaic mitigation option**

Rebecca Oertel: Health studies should be funded by utilities and results should be used in policy making. **Reference in mitigation option**

Final workgroup presentation

Maureen and Marilyn will do presentation. Based on outline provided. Something written should be provided that gives what we did. Learnings and conclusions: process has been incredibly well-organized. **Need to have a call on this issue, after email thread. Will address on September call.**

Timeline: revisions to report are due August 22.

Cumulative Effects section comment that that group focused too heavily on oil and gas. Four or five power plant options were tagged for cumulative effects review. **We could do a joint call? (CE group to prepare something, and forward to PPWG for review)**

Joint meeting with the Other Sources Workgroup: Review/Finalize Energy efficiency and Renewable Energy Section

Dennis Casto: advanced metering will not work. **Reference in option.**

Erich Fowler: every reason in the work to implement renewable energy as a regional industry. No action needed.

Dennis Casto: covered by nuclear option that will be written.

Charlene Anderson: **Reference in option**

Renee Lewis: **Reference in option**

Weatherization and insulation subsidization comment: **Could add to audit option (Rita will call Stacey to include this)**, as just a few sentences. PNM has a “good neighbor” program. Grants could go to nonprofits. Rebates could be used.