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CEQA Guidelines Update

Attention: Mr. Christopher Calfee
Governor's Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, California
95814

Comments on
**Revised Proposed Amendments to the CEQA Guidelines
Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21094.5.5.**

Dear Chris,

As you know, members of The Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP) are involved in every stage of the evaluation, analysis, assessment, and litigation of projects subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and other important environmental planning laws. For over thirty years AEP has dedicated itself to improving the technical expertise and professional qualifications of its membership as well as educating the public on the value of California's laws protecting the environment, managing our natural resources, and promoting responsible land use and urban growth.

The revised proposed amendments to the CEQA guidelines are clear, concise and well-organized. Technical and clarifying changes to Proposed Section 15183.3 and Appendix M of the Revised Proposed amendments are suggested in the attachment to this letter (shown in "track-changes").

We are appreciative of the fact that the current proposal is subject to change during subsequent review by the Secretary for Resources and look forward to addressing additional changes to the guidelines at the appropriate time.

Please don't hesitate to call us if you have any questions about these comments.

Sincerely,

Eugene Talmadge,
President

Cc. Mr. Allan Lind, AEP Lobbyist