

Subject: SCT Wind Project Community Access

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Memorandum

Community and Tribal Access Outline

Purpose:

Community Access

To allow members of the Moose Camp, Round Mountain, Montgomery Creek, and Burney communities the ability to access portions of SCT property for specific recreational or culturally important activities under a program that will be managed by wind farm staff.

Pit River Tribe Access

Allow members of the Pit River Tribe access to areas if the property for:

- a. Harvesting of plant species that are of cultural or medicinal importance.
- b. Visitation of previously identified sacred or culturally significant sites
- c. Performance of culturally significant ceremonies that do not involve the use of fire.

Community Access Outline:

- 1) SCT will provide hunting access to members of the Moose Camp, Round Mountain, Montgomery Creek, Big Bend and Burney communities during specified hunting seasons.
- 2) During specified hunting seasons, SCT will leave the gate open on a main wind-power access road, which also serves as log-haul road, to allow hunter access on the Anderson tract south from State Highway 299.
- 3) ConnectGen and FWS Forestry will collaborate on how best to notify the hunting community about this access program.
- 4) FWS will develop a permit system for individual hunters
- 5) ConnectGen and FWS to develop a "check-in and check-out" for hunters, managed by ConnectGen security out from the on-site operations and maintenance (O&M) building.
- 6) For the spur roads off the mainline road that are not gated or rocked, we will likely install gates on those roads. If the spur roads are rocked, rather than gated, we can consider expanding access based on how the hunting program is going.
- 7) ConnectGen and FWS will coordinate with the local communities regarding when hunting would temporarily be prohibited by on-site activities including active timber harvest operations, red flag warnings, and major wind farm maintenance related activities.

Pit River Tribe Access Outline

- 1) Reach out to leaders of the Pit River tribe and understand the following:
 - a. Where they would like to access
 - b. What activities they would like to perform
 - c. Time of year they would like to access
 - d. Numbers of individuals who want access

- 2) From the information gathered on the questions above, we would develop either a permit system or simply offer the tribal members the opportunity access the property at specified times of the year to allow members to pursue the requested activities.