

MBCA News
Monday, March 17, 2014

Spring certainly has Sprung in the high desert! While not in the abundance we enjoy in wetter years, there are sweet pockets of wild flowers. However, there is no lack of activity on other fronts as we work together to protect our precious Mojave Desert resources.

1) TIME CHANGE! : Morongo Unified School District's presentation March 18th, Tuesday to begin at 6PM. Location: Joshua Tree Elementary School, 4950 Sunburst. *Please attend to show community support for solar in the Schools!*

2) Silurian Valley solar project: The proposed project would be a 200 megawatt solar facility consisting of multiple arrays of photovoltaic panels and impact 7,219 acres of public lands approximately 10 miles north of Baker, along Hwy 127.

The BLM will conduct a meeting March 27th to provide the public with an opportunity to participate in the variance process to determine if the application is appropriate for processing. [Link](#) for additional project and meeting information.

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites, 2710 Lenwood Road, Barstow, CA., 1:00-4:30 PM & 6:00-9:00PM.

If you cannot attend this meeting, we will keep you posted on how you can add your voice to our objections about development in the spectacular Silurian Valley.

3) Water Education Day: March 30th, Sunday, 1-4PM at the Joshua Basin Water District Office & Demonstration Garden, 61750 Chollita Road, Joshua Tree
Minerva Hoyt Native Plant Sale, rainwater harvesting, free seeds & propagation information, seed & plant SWAP & more!

Thanks for your continuing interest and support.

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