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TO: Planning Commission

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RE: **Request for Continuance**  
**TM17-1532: Sierra Sunrise**  
**Agenda Item No. 4 (Legistar No. 18-1304)**

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The Planning Director is recommending that this matter be continued off-calendar, with the intent to return in early 2019.

The recent Judgment and Writ of Mandate in the litigation concerning the County's Targeted General Plan Amendment and Zoning Ordinance Update (*Rural Communities United v. County of El Dorado*) identifies certain components of the associated EIR that must be revised by the County. One such component relates to the disagreement between the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire) and the County concerning the requirements to comply with certain statutes related to General Plan policies that address the risk of wildfire in certain high-risk areas. Until the County revises its EIR to address that issue, the Writ of Mandate directs the County to refrain from "further certification and approvals concerning the ... disagreement between the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection and the County." Because the subject project is in an area of high fire hazard for wildland fire, it would be prudent to defer action on the subject project until such time as the County has addressed the issues identified in the Judgment and Writ of Mandate, which is expected to occur no later than January 2019.