

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP
PRELIMINARY MEETING AGENDA**

DATE & TIME: 7:00 PM, Thursday, October 2, 2014

MEETING LOCATION: Boulevard Fire Training Room, 39919 Ribbonwood Rd, Boulevard CA 91905 (modular behind station on the right)

A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum): 1) Robert Maupin; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Chris Noland; 4) Donna Tisdale; 5) Michele Strand; 6) Paula Byrd; 7) Jeffrey McKernan

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (please silence cell phones)

C. APPROVE MINUTES FOR AUGUST 7TH & SEPT 4TH MEETINGS:

D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: Opportunity for public comment on any subject matter within the Group's jurisdiction that is not on the posted agenda. No action can be taken on non-agenda items.

E. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **JACUMBA SOLAR MAJOR USE PERMIT; PDS2014-MUP-14-041, PDS2014-ER-22-001 NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT:** The proposed 20-megawatt (MW) solar energy project will include approximately 81,108 photovoltaic (PV) modules fitted to 2,253 fixed –tilt rack panels, with 10MW battery storage, new 110' x 215' on-site substation, new overhead 138kV line to SDG&E's new ECO Substation. Approximately 108 acres of the total 304 acres will be used within APN#'s: 661-080-01, 04, 05, 08, 10 and 661-041-02, 03. Project location is south of Historic Route 80, west of SDG&E's ECO Substation, and immediately north of the US/Mexico border. Project documents can be viewed at the Jacumba library or online at http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa_public_review/MUP-14-041.html. Comments are due by 4 PM on October 10th. County contact: Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-495-5375
2. **NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY & PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE JOINT DRAFT EIR/EIS FOR SDG&E'S PROPOSED MASTER SPECIAL USE PERMIT (MSUP) TO CONSTRUCT POWER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECTS INCLUDING A NEW BOULEVARD TL6931 ALTERNATIVE.** SDG&E proposes to combine over 70 individual use permits and easements for electric facilities within and near the Cleveland National Forest (CNF) into one MSUP to be issued by the Forest Service. One new alternative proposes removal of TL626 in the Cedar Creek area by upgrading Transmission Line 6931 between Boulevard Substation and Crestwood Substation at the Golden Acorn Casino, relying on SDG&E's previous incomplete Application 12-12-007 for the Shu'luuk Wind gen-tie/fire hardening project for TL6931 (for double-circuit 138 kV) that never reached the Draft EIR stage, before being dismissed/closed by the CPUC, via Resolution A-4638 on March 6, 2014, due to the Campo tribe's rejection of the Shu'luuk Wind lease: http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/Wind_Interconnect/Wind_Interconnect.htm. **Group comments are due to PDS by October 17th. A meeting on the DEIR/DEIS will be held on from 5-7 PM, Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at Alpine Community Center, 1830 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine.** Public comments are due by November 4th via **U.S. Mail:** Lisa Orsaba, California Public Utilities Commission/Will Metz, United States Forest Supervisor, Cleveland National Forest, c/o Dudek, 605 Third Street, Encinitas, California 92024 or by **Email:** cnfmsup@dudek.com, with a subject line "SDG&E Master Permit – DEIR/DEIS Comments". Group action is limited to advising the County of the group's perspective via Sheri McPherson (by Oct 17th) with copy to CPUC and USFS. Project documents & maps are posted here: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/CNF.htm>
1. **NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DESERT RENEWABLE ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN:** Public comment period ends January 5, 2015 on this joint state/federal plan. Approximately 22.5 million acres of federal and non-federal California desert land are in the DRECP Plan Area, including San Diego County. All maps and documents are posted here: <http://www.drecp.org/>
2. **REQUEST TO CONSIDER ADDING "WELCOME TO MANZANITA" SIGNS ON LOCAL ROADS:** Resident, Tim Cass, has researched the issue and is seeking support for installation of signs clarifying the location and identifying the location of the community of Manzanita that is often confused with the community of Boulevard.
3. **REQUEST BY TIM CASS FOR UPDATE TO MTN EMPIRE CONTEXT MAP- FIGURE 2:** County staff used page 1300 of the Thomas Brothers Guide for location context for the draft map to consider adding text label for Manzanita. A vote may be taken to request this map update be included in the Draft Plan for the 2015 General Plan Clean-Up General Plan Amendment (GPA). The GPA is expected be brought forward for Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors consideration by the end of 2015: County contact: Kevin Johnston (858) 694-3084 kevin.johnston@sdcounty.ca.gov
4. **RESIDENT REQUEST FOR GROUP SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR BOULEVARD COMMUNITY CENTER:** Tammy Daubach is seeking group / public support for CDBG funding for future center.

F. GROUP BUSINESS: Announcements; correspondence; discussion items; project updates

1. **REVITALIZATION REPORT:**
2. **FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT:**
3. **CHAIR'S REPORT ON COMPREHENSIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY PLAN'S TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING:**
4. **2014 GENERAL ELECTION FOR BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP SEATS 2, 4 & 6:** Only 3 incumbent candidates filed for 3 open seats. New terms for Paula Byrd, Earl Goodnight, and Donna Tisdale will start in January 2015.
5. **SDG&E's ECO SUBSTATION:** An undisputed motion to dismiss the Water Supply Plan complaint, filed against SDG&E by a non-profit group, as moot, was approved by the CPUC on Sept 5th. CPUC project manager: Mitigation, monitoring, and other reports are here: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/ECOSUB/MMCRP.htm>. CPUC Project Manager: Eric Chiang: 415-703-1956 eric.chiang@cpuc.ca.gov
6. **TULE WIND'S LEASE APPLICATION HEARING WITH STATE LANDS COMMISSION TO ALLOW WIND TURBINES, ROADS, INFRASTRUCTURE MOVED TO DECEMBER:** Tule Wind's lease application hearing has been moved to the Commission's December meeting in Los Angeles. The agenda will be posted 10 days prior to the hearing: <http://www.slc.ca.gov/>
7. **SOITEC SOLAR PROJECTS (PDS2012-3910-120005): DRAFT PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT (DPEIR) REPORT FOR FOUR BOULEVARD PROJECTS WITH 7,409-8,415 CPV SOLAR TRACKERS @ 1,200 SQ FT EACH:** Public comment closed on March 3rd for the Soitec Solar Development DPEIR that includes two projects (80MW Rugged Solar and 60MW Tierra Del Sol Solar) which have been evaluated at the project level and two projects (22MW LanEast and 6.5MW LanWest) that have been evaluated at a program level due to lack of sufficient information. CEQA allows comments to be accepted up until the date of actual decision hearings. County project manager: Ashley Gungle: 858-495-5375; Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov; Soitec Draft PEIR documents, maps, and public comments are posted at this link: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/Soitec-Solar-EIR.html>
8. **NOTICE OF PREPARATION, INITIAL STUDY & REQUEST FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) FOR ROUGH ACRES RANCH CAMPGROUND/CONFERENCE CENTER MUP: PDS2012-3300-12-021 (MUP): Public comment closed on May 19th:** 2750 MCCAIN VALLEY ROAD: 753 ACRES ZONED RL80/A72: The DEIR scoping Comment period closed on May 19th Owner: Rough Acres Foundation / Jeff Hamann: Multiple large projects utilizing local groundwater sources, groundwater dependent habitat, fire, noise, biological, cultural resources, and other "Potentially Significant Impacts" or Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated". Project manager contact: Jim Bennett; jim.bennett@sdcounty.ca.gov; (858) 694-8846.
9. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH ROAD MAJOR GRADING PERMIT: PDS2011-2700-15622: APPLICANT GREGG HAMANN:** New private connector road proposed between Ribbonwood Road and McCain Valley Road to serve as access for Iberdrola's Tule Wind, proposed Rough Acres Campground & Conference Center, and Rugged Solar. County Project Manager: Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-694-2728 ph; 858-694-8928 fax.
10. **NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED FOR MARCH 25 COURT RULING SUPPORTING BLM'S APPROVAL OF IBERDROLA'S 200 MW TULE WIND:** A federal judge's ruling to uphold the BLM's approval of the Tule Wind 2012 Record of Decision, rejecting the legal challenges brought by non-profit groups, is being appealed. Tule Wind Map: <http://tulewindccmp.com/Figure2-ProjectLocation.pdf>.
11. **TULE WIND PHASE II:** On August 1st, USFWS rejected Tule Wind's Eagle Take Permit application; a new lawsuit has been filed challenging the Bureau of Indian Affairs 2013 approval of 20 turbines on Ewiiapaayp tribal lands for Tule Wind II.
12. **NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED FOR WIND ENERGY ORDINANCE AND PLAN AMENDMENT:** A Notice of Appeal has been filed for April 25th Superior Court ruling upholding the County's ordinance and Boulevard Plan Amendment.
13. **SEMPRA'S CROSS-BORDER HIGH VOLTAGE TRANSMISSION LINE, WITH IMPORT CAPACITY OF 1,250 MW, WILL CONNECT THEIR \$300 MILLION ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ WIND (ESJ) IN BAJA CALIFORNIA WITH SDG&E'S NEW \$435 MILLION ECO SUBSTATION:** Turbine construction has started in Mexico along the Sierra Juarez ridgeline east of Jacumba Hot Springs. Litigation remains unresolved. DOE's ESJ cross-border transmission line project website: <http://esjprojecteis.org/>.

G. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT REGULAR MEETING SET FOR NOV 6, 2014 AT THE BOULEVARD FIRE TRAINING ROOM:

For More information contact Donna Tisdale, Chair at 619-766-4170 or tisdale.donna@gmail.com

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