

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

DATE & TIME: 7:00 PM, Thursday, September 3, 2015

MEETING LOCATION: Boulevard Fire Training Room, 39923 Ribbonwood Rd, Boulevard CA 91905 (behind old Station)

A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum): 1) Robert Maupin; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Donna Tisdale; 5) Michele Strand; 6) Paula Byrd; 7) Ronald Hynum

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

C. MEETING MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 6TH MEETING:

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. **SOITEC SOLAR DEVELOPMENT; PDS2012-3910-120005:** The Soitec Solar Development project was approved by the Board of Supervisors on February 4, 2015 and March 4, 2015. The project was litigated by Stephen Volker on behalf of Backcountry Against Dumps and Donna Tisdale. The judge rendered a decision on June 25, 2015. Based on that decision, the applicant will remove the optional battery storage component from the Rugged Solar project. Based on the judge's decision, the Board of Supervisors will be required to rescind the certification of the EIR and adoption of the Major Use Permit no later than November 3, 2015. The Board of Supervisors will also be requested to recertify a Revised EIR and adopt a Major Use Permit without the optional battery storage component. County PDS contact: Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov ; 858-495-5375
2. **PARK LANDS DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PROJECT PRIORITY LIST:** Department of Parks and Recreation requests input on desired park facilities and recreation programs for Boulevard. Active recreation examples include sports fields and courts, playgrounds, picnic areas, community gardens, and recreation buildings. Recreation programming examples include afterschool programs, sport leagues, and fitness classes. Comments are due by September 21st to Senior Project Park Manager: Bill Samuier; 858-966-1344; bill.samuier@sdcounty.ca.gov
3. **SHOULD THE GROUP COMMENT ON THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO'S CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (CAP) THAT INCLUDES PARTIAL RELIANCE ON UTILITY-SCALE WIND AND SOLAR PROJECTS THAT COULD POTENTIALLY IMPACT BOULEVARD?** Comments on the DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT IO No.: 21002571/11003392 are due September 29th. The CAP relies on City and regional actions, implementation of federal and state mandates, and five local strategies *including utility scale wind and solar projects*. Comments go to Rebecca Malone, Associate Planner, City of San Diego Planning Department, 1222 First Avenue, MS 501, San Diego, CA 92101 or emailed to DSDEAS@sandiego.gov referencing the Project Name and Number in the subject line. The CAP DEIR is posted @ <http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/programs/ceqa/2015/153107-sdcapdraftpeir.pdf> .
4. **KEVIN KEANE: DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS AND OPTIONS RELATED TO THE FCC'S RECENT ACTION URGING CARRIERS TO RETIRE COPPER PHONE LINES AND UPGRADE TO FIBER:**
<http://arstechnica.com/business/2015/08/fcc-urges-carriers-to-turn-off-copper-networks-upgrade-to-fiber/>

F. GROUP BUSINESS & PROJECT UPDATES: Announcements; correspondence; discussion only items

1. **REVITALIZATION REPORT:**
2. **FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT:**
3. **JOINT CPUC AND FOREST SERVICE FINAL EIR/EIS AND FOREST SERVICE DRAFT RECORD OF DECISION HAVE BEEN RELEASED FOR SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC'S MASTER SPECIAL USE PERMIT / PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT APPLICATION:** The selected Environmentally Superior Alternative includes the reconstruction and upgrade of SDG&E's Transmission Line 6931 (TL6931) that runs east-west through Boulevard, connecting the Boulevard Substation to the Crestwood Substation, by the Golden Acorn Casino. The FEIR/EIS Notice of Availability is posted @ http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/NOA_Final.pdf. The FEIR/EIS and the Forest

Service's Draft Record of Decision are posted at: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/CNF.htm>. The project includes replacing 1,800 wooden poles with taller steel poles with increased number and size of wires.

4. **TULE WIND - IBERDROLA ANNOUNCES 15-YEAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (PPA) FOR 132MW:** July 28: Iberdrola announced a PPA was signed with SCE for up to 67 wind turbines on close to 14,000 acres of BLM land in McCain Valley; potential expansion later. Unresolved appeals remain in the 9th Circuit Court, challenging the District Court's support of BLM's Tule Wind project approvals. On 11-19-14, Tule Wind formally requested that BLM extend their deadline for their construction Notice to Proceed (NTP) by two years to December 31, 2016. **BLM only extended the NTP to 12-31-15, saying a two year extension "may not be consistent with the best use of public lands"**. Tule Wind is currently working with County staff on compliance with MUP conditions; No Eagle Take Permits issued. Tule Wind Map: <http://tulewindecamp.com/Figure2-ProjectLocation.pdf>. BLM's project website with related documents and maps: <http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/elcentro/nepa/tule.html> Iberdrola's press release: <http://globenewswire.com/news-release/2015/07/29/755995/10143661/en/Iberdrola-Renewables-Announces-Wind-Power-Agreement-with-California-Utility.html>.
5. **TULE WIND'S LEASE APPLICATION WITH STATE LANDS COMMISSION (SLC) FOR WIND TURBINES, ROADS & INFRASTRUCTURE, MAY BE HEARD IN OCTOBER:** Tule Wind's lease application and land appraisal report is currently under review for SLC land abutting the Manzanita Reservation on the north. SLC'S staff reports that the hearing could take place at their October 16th meeting, currently planned for San Diego, or at a later meeting. Commission agendas are posted 10 days prior to hearing dates: <http://www.slc.ca.gov/>
6. **TULE WIND PHASE II:** USFWS rejected Tule Wind's Eagle Take Permit application. However, data review and permit work continues. In August 2015, US District Judge Koh overturned FWS's 2013 rule allowing 30-year Take Permits because FWS did not complete a National Environmental Policy Act-compliant impact statement or environmental assessment before increasing the eagle take permits sixfold: <http://www.courthousenews.com/2015/08/13/judge-rules-for-eagles-over-wind-power.htm> An unresolved lawsuit was filed by a non-profit group in September 2014, challenging the Bureau of Indian Affairs' 2013 approval of 20 turbines on Ewiiapaayp tribal lands for Tule II: http://protectourcommunities.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/TuleWindII_Complaint_9-24-14.pdf
7. **2.9MW CHAPMAN SOLAR RANCH, PDS2015-MUP-15-005, LOG NO. PDS2015-ER-15-21-001: Revised Plot Plans & Grading Plans received 6-10-15:** On August 7th, County staff issued their 1st Iteration Review of Initial Studies/Information filed by the applicant. Project documents and maps are posted @ http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Current_Protects/ChapmanSolarRanch.html. sPower's website: www.spower.com. PDS Project Manager: Benjamin.Mills@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-495-5234.
8. **COMPREHENSIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY (CREP) POD 13-007:** County Project Manager: Noah Alvey; 858-694-8846; noah.alvey@sdcounty.ca.gov; CREP documents: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/advance/CREP.html>
9. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH CAMPGROUND/CONFERENCE CENTER: PDS2012-3300-12-021 (MUP): ANOTHER 30-DAY DRAFT EIR EXTENSION:** 2750 MCCAIN VALLEY ROAD: 753 ACRES ZONED RL80/A72: Major Use Permit for a Conference, Retreat, Wellness Center, and Campground Facility on 713 acres in McCain Valley. Project Manager: Jim Bennett: (858) 6948846; jim.bennett@sdcounty.ca.gov.
10. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH ROAD - MAJOR GRADING PERMIT PENDING: PDS2011-2700-15622: APPLICANT GREGG HAMANN:** New private connector road proposed between Ribbonwood Road and McCain Valley Road as main access for Iberdrola's Tule Wind project, and secondary access for the Rough Acres Campground & Conference Center. County Project Manager: Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-694-2728 ph; 858-694-8928 fax.

G. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1ST @ BOULEVARD FIRE TRAINING ROOM.

For More information contact Donna Tisdale, Chair at 619-766-4170 or tisdale.donna@gmail.com; current and past meeting agendas and approved minutes are posted on the County website @ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Groups/Boulevard.html>

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