

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP  
\*\*\*FINAL MEETING AGENDA/NOTICE\*\*\***

**DATE & TIME:** 7:00 PM, Thursday, September 1, 2016

**MEETING LOCATION:** Boulevard Fire Training Room, 39923 Ribbonwood Rd, Boulevard CA 91905 (behind old Fire 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. MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 4TH 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 (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request)**

1. **TULE WIND: SHOULD THE GROUP REQUEST A SUBSEQUENT EIR (CEQA) AND SUPPLEMENTAL EIS (NEPA) AND CORRESPONDING PROJECT APPROVAL MODIFICATIONS AND/OR ENDORSE THE FORMAL REQUESTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY BY DONNA TISDALE ON AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup> AND/OR THE AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup> REQUEST SUBMITTED TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY, BLM, CPUC, AND STATE LANDS COMMISSION BY THE ATTORNEY FOR BACKCOUNTRY AGAINST DUMPS?** Tule Wind's previous project approvals were issued in 2011-2012. Some studies that supported the joint EIR/EIS for the Tule Wind, ECO Substation and Energia Sierra Juarez projects are dated prior to those approvals which render them woefully outdated. CEQA and NEPA both require updated reviews in the event of changed circumstances and new information which is now available, including ongoing severe/extreme drought conditions, groundwater use and monitoring data, increased fire risk from drought conditions, public health and safety information related to wind turbine noise and vibrations, wildlife impacts, reduced energy production and lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions related to wind turbine projects. BLM project website: <http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/elcentro/nepa/tule.html> ; County approval press release: <http://www.countynewscenter.com/board-approves-wind-power-projects/>
2. **SHOULD THE OCTOBER MEETING DATE BE MOVED FROM OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> TO OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup> TO ACCOMMODATE THE CHAIR'S ABSENCE OR GO ON AS SCHEDULED WITHOUT THE CHAIR?**
3. **MEDICAL MARIJUANA ORDINANCE OPTIONS PUBLIC REVIEW:** On March 16, 2016 the Board of Supervisors directed staff to return to the Board with several options to amend the Zoning Ordinance section pertaining to Medical Marijuana Collective Facilities (MMCF). Based on Board's direction staff is proposing seven different options for the Board's consideration. According to staff, *under the existing ordinance as well as under the various options there are no sites available in the Boulevard Planning area.* Comments are due by September 9, 2016 (30-day public review period). County contact: Joseph Farace: [joseph.farace@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:joseph.farace@sdcounty.ca.gov); 858-694-3690. The County's medical marijuana website includes Frequently Asked Questions and staff's April 2016 report to the Supervisors: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/Medical-Marijuana-Collectives.html>

**F. GROUP BUSINESS & PROJECT UPDATES – DISCUSSION ONLY**

1. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:**
  - a) Only the four incumbents filed for election to the BPG's four open seats. There will be no runoff election.
2. **REVITALIZATION REPORT:**
3. **FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT:**
4. **TULE WIND PROJECT:**
  - a. According to the BLM, 5 wind turbines have been eliminated from the most southerly section of turbines located within the Lark Canyon OHV Park, west of McCain Valley Road and north of Rough Acres Ranch's main complex.
  - b. Two appeals requesting a 10 judge panel at the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court have been denied.
  - c. As of July 18<sup>th</sup>, according to the US Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), no Eagle Act take permit application has been submitted for either Tule I or Tule II wind projects. The USFWS anticipates a permit application on the Tule 1 project, in the spring of 2017, but they have no information on when to expect an application for Tule II.

5. **TULE WIND LEASE APPLICATION SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 13TH STATE LANDS COMMISSION'S HEARING IN SAN DIEGO :**  
The Commission is scheduled to present Tule Wind's lease application and land appraisal report for 7 wind turbines and other infrastructure at their October 13<sup>th</sup> meeting scheduled to be held San Diego. Commission agendas are posted 10 days prior to hearing dates: <http://www.slc.ca.gov/>. Comments can be submitted to: [CSLC.CommissionMeetings@slc.ca.gov](mailto:CSLC.CommissionMeetings@slc.ca.gov)
6. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH CAMPGROUND/CONFERENCE CENTER: PDS2012-3300-12-021 (MUP); DRAFT EIR PENDING:**  
Application, by Rough Acres Foundation, Inc (RAF), 1000 Pioneer Way, El Cajon, for Conference, Retreat, Wellness Center, and Campground Facility on 713 acres ZONED RL80/A72 known as Rough Acres Ranch located at 2750 MCCAIN VALLEY ROAD. PDS Project Manager, [Bronwyn.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Bronwyn.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov) (858) 495-5516. Project documents are posted @ [http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Current\\_Projects/Rough\\_Acres\\_ranch.html](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Current_Projects/Rough_Acres_ranch.html)
7. **COMPREHENSIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY PLAN (CREP) POD 13-007: REPORT ON AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup> CREP TAC MEETING:** The draft report from the private contractor has been posted for public review. Staff is working to align the remainder of the CREP work with the new Climate Action Plan. A final CREP report is tentatively scheduled for review by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors in late 2016 or early 2017. *New County Project Manager:* Laurel Lees; 619-346-2333; [Laurel.Lees@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Laurel.Lees@sdcounty.ca.gov) ; CREP website: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/advance/CREP.html>
8. **CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (CAP): REPORT ON AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup> CHAIRS MEETING WITH COUNTY:** Planning & Development Services staff provided a CAP project on April 16, and have been implementing the CAP Public Outreach and Engagement Plan by participating in over 30 public events throughout the region. Stakeholder engagement will continue by hosting public workshops and an EIR Scoping Meeting through the end of the year. A Boulevard meeting has been requested. A draft CAP and EIR will be prepared for public review in November 2016 with the overall goal of bringing a CAP and EIR to the Board of Supervisors in late 2017. Staff contact @ [CAP@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:CAP@sdcounty.ca.gov) See CAP website for more details: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/advance/climateactionplan.html>.
9. **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 and Soitec's Rugged Solar. County Project Manager: [Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov); 858-694-2728.
10. **SOITEC'S SOLAR PROJECTS FOR SALE:** Soitec's Rugged Solar and Tierra Del Sol Solar projects are permitted for CPV solar and have survived legal challenges after court-ordered removal of the 160 cargo containers of battery storage. Soitec has discontinued operations of their CPV solar business and sold their San Diego factory. Efforts reportedly continue to sell off their Boulevard projects in McCain Valley and Tierra Del Sol. [Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov) ;(858) 495-5375. Soitec project records are posted@ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/Soitec-Solar-EIR.html>
11. **CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION DOCKET # 15-RETI-02 INCLUDES POTENTIAL FOR PARTIAL SOUTHWEST POWERLINK CONVERSION FROM AC TO DC AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$700-900 MILLION:** The Transmission Technical Input Group (TTIG) for the Renewable Energy Transmission Initiative 2.0 includes SDG&E's proposal to increase import capacity on the Southwest Powerlink by 500-1,000 MW, and to reduce Local Capacity Requirements in the San Diego area, by converting portions of existing infrastructure (*within existing right-of-way between Arizona and Miguel Substation near Bonita*) from AC to High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) by 2025, as described on the last page of the TTIG's Revised Interim Report dated June 21, 2016 posted: [http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/15-RETI-02/TN211927\\_20160621T144839\\_Revised\\_Transmission\\_Technical\\_Input\\_Group\\_Interim\\_Report.pdf](http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/15-RETI-02/TN211927_20160621T144839_Revised_Transmission_Technical_Input_Group_Interim_Report.pdf)

**G. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER ? @ THE BOULEVARD FIRE TRAINING ROOM.**

**For More information** contact Donna Tisdale, Chair at 619-766-4170 or [tisdale.donna@gmail.com](mailto: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/gpupdate/comm/blvd.html>

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