

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)
MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR DECEMBER 5, 2018**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM, Wednesday December 5th, 2018 (NOTE CHANGE FROM REGULAR 1ST THURSDAY DATE TO ACCOMMODATE DECEMBER 6TH CAMPO WIND SCOPING MEETING)

MEETING LOCATION: Backcountry Resource Center- Community Room, 39919 Ribbonwood Rd, Boulevard CA 91905 (modular behind old Fire Station)

A. ROLL CALL: Members present); 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Donna Tisdale; 7) Ronald Hynum. Members excused: 1) Robert Maupin; 5) Michele Strand; 6) Michael Coyne.

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

C. MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR NOVEMBER 1ST MEETING:

- *M/S: Goodnight/Hynum: Approve November 1st minutes as written: Passed: 4-0-0*

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.

- Resident Linda Shannon requested new road signage at Ribbonwood Road and I-8 to prevent what happened recently when I-8 was closed due to a fatal accident and several big-rigs got stuck with no place to turn around when they headed north on Ribbonwood, a narrow dead-end road, instead of going south on Ribbonwood to Old Hwy 80 the alternate route.
- Kevin Keane requested consideration of additional new signage around Boulevard.
- The Chair agreed to place the new signage issue on the next agenda.

E. ACTION ITEMS (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request):

1. NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) FOR TERRA-GEN'S NEW 252 MW CAMPO WIND ENERGY PROJECT PROPOSED FOR THE CAMPO INDIAN RESERVATION FOR A MINIMUM OF 25 YEARS:

- Chair Tisdale reported that a scoping meeting for public comments to identify potential issues, concerns, and alternatives to be considered in the EIS will be held from 6-9 PM on Thursday, December 6th, at the Campo Tribal Hall located at 36190 Church Road, (BIA 10) at Hwy 94, Campo.
- Up to 60 industrial wind turbines up to 4 MW (megawatts) each and up to 586 feet tall are proposed. These are some of the largest land-based turbines in use.
- Maps of proposed turbine locations should be available at that meeting. A preliminary map shows potential turbine locations on virtually all Campo Reservation ridgelines north and south of I-8, Old Hwy 80, and Hwy 94, almost to the US/Mexico border, placing them very close to existing homes on and off the reservation.
- The project includes access roads, a temporary batch plant, Operation and Maintenance Building, a new 2 acre collector substation, and more.
- A new overhead 230 kV transmission line will be installed on tribal and private land to connect to a new substation connecting to the Sunrise Powerlink at north end of McCain Valley on private land.

- Resident Jeff Morrison repeated his concerns with proposed and existing turbine projects and the impacts to his family and Ribbonwood Road property. He had questions about the meeting and making comments.
- Residents Nancy and Charles Good also expressed concerns with proximity and impacts to their property next to the Campo Reservation just southwest of Live Oak Springs on Old 80. New turbines and 230kV line are proposed right next to their home and livestock. Property value impacts are a very big issue. They wanted to know how they can best fight the project.
- Cliff Caldwell also expressed concerns with impacts and proximity to his property off Ribbonwood.
- General discussion was held on various concerns, impacts, and the need to continue documentation and participation in project review process in order to better inform decision makers and for those who may need to establish standing for any potential future lawsuits.
- Reminder that those who have complaints about existing Kumeaya and/or Tule Wind need to file formal complaints in order to seek response and relief from turbine owners and permitting entities.
- The Notice of Intent and Scoping meeting notice are posted at: www.CampoWind.com.
- Comments are due by 11:59 PM December 21st.
- Comments can be emailed to harold.hall@bia.gov or mailed to Amy Duschke, Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825.
- Written comments will also be accepted at the December 6th Scoping Meeting.
- Comments must be postmarked by Dec. 21st deadline. Contact: Harold Hall 916-978-6041; Acting Chief, Division of Environmental, Cultural Resource Management and Safety, Bureau of Indian Affairs.
- San Diego County will be participating in the Dec 6th scoping meeting as a cooperating agency with the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
- Bronwyn Brown is the County contact. It is important to copy her and Dianne Jacob on comments sent to Harold Hall at BIA (listed above) via Bronwyn.brown@sdcounty.ca.gov and Dianne.jacob@sdcounty.ca.gov
- The Chair commented that if you can't go to the Dec 6th meeting at the Campo tribal hall, please send comments to BIA and Bronwyn Brown and Dianne Jacob.
- ***M/S: Keane/Hynum: Authorize Chair to submit comments in opposition to Campo Wind based on similar concerns and complaints raised on other local wind projects and related new research.***

F. GROUP BUSINESS & PROJECT UPDATES – DISCUSSION ONLY

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE& INFORMATION:

- Another Iberdrola wind project in court: Court-appointed referee: Deny Atlantic Wind application *Times Online - CHRIS REBER - October 23, 2018 (Pennsylvania)* "The application of the Atlantic Wind should be denied as filed as it does not comply with the not-to-exceed sound standard under the Penn Forest Zoning Ordinance; would establish a second principal use of the land in contravention of the (ordinance); and that no hardship was shown for a service building in the R-2 District:
<https://www.tnonline.com/court-appointed-referee-deny-atlantic-wind-application>
- BLM rejected Crescent Peak Wind at CA/NV border near Searchlight: The Bureau of Land Management has decided to reject a Sweden-based energy company's application to build more than 200 turbines, each the height of a skyscraper, along a 22-mile stretch of the Nevada-California border. The project would have covered more than 32,500 acres of public land adjacent to two wilderness areas in Nevada and the Mojave National Preserve and Castle Mountains National Monument in California. In a written

statement, the agency said it identified “multiple issues and concerns” with the Crescent Peak Wind Energy Project, including the disruption of aviation radar systems and potential impacts to mining claims and the “visual landscape” of the area. <https://www.reviewjournal.com/news/politics-and-government/blm-rejects-massive-wind-farm-along-california-nevada-border-1539541/>

- **DeKalb County Illinois approved a new wind energy ordinance.** The stated purpose includes 1) Assure the protection of health, safety, welfare, and property values for all DeKalb County residents and landowners. 2) Assure that any development and production of wind-generated electricity in DeKalb County is safe and effective.
 - The ordinance includes the following key standards: All turbines are to be situated at a distance not less than six (6) times the height of the WECS tower from all property lines, turbine towers are limited to 500-feet, no shadow flicker can extend onto neighboring non-participating properties, and turbines cannot produce sound that causes an exceedance of the preconstruction/operation background sound levels by more than 5 dBa.

2. **REVITALIZATION REPORT provided by Tammy Daubach who could not be present:**

- The Friends of the Library are selling Christmas trees again this year.
- The Clover Flat Holiday Program will be held on December 20th in the old fire station bay.

3. **FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT provided by Tammy Daubach who could not be present:**

- SDGE is looking for feedback on what went wrong or right with power shut-offs. If you hear anything, let Tammy know.
- Free chipping is available through Sunrise Powerlink grants. Flyers are available.
- Tables, chairs, and more were donated by the Campo Volunteer Fire Dept.

4. **TERRA-GEN'S 126 MW TORREY WIND PROJECT: PDS2018-MUP-18-014:**

- No new information.

5. **TERRA-GEN'S BOULDER BRUSH GEN-TIE PROJECT:**

- The Major Pre-Application letter is still under review by PDS management and county counsel.

6. **TULE WIND PHASE 1 – NOISE /COMMUNITY COMPLAINT CONTACTS:**

- *Toll Free Project Hotline & Noise Complaints directly to Iberdrola /Avangrid: 855-369-9337; windcommunity@avangrid.com. Noise complaints can also be made to San Diego County Noise Control & Code Compliance: (858) 694-3741 or e-mail PDS.CodeCompliance@sdcountry.ca.gov ; and to BLM: Tristan Riddell @ triddell@blm.gov, 760-337-4436; and Carrie Sahagun @ csahagun@blm.gov, 760-337-4437. It may be best to address complaints to Iberdrola/Avangrid and copy all the other contacts on every email complaint filed. Keep a record of all complaints and any responses.*

7. **TULE WIND PHASE II:**

- No new information

8. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR: PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION-NEW PROJECT DESCRIPTON: MUP extended to February 2019:**

- No New information.

9. 60 MW 420 ACRE BOULEVARD SOLAR MUP12-010TE PDS2012-3300-12-00 @ 796 Tierra Del Sol Road; MUP extended to February 2019:

- No news.

10. 100MW BOULEVARD ENERGY STORAGE FACILITY; PDS 2017-ZAP-17-006; MINOR USE PERMIT FOR 2 ACRE PROJECT LOCATED ON APN'S# 612-09-059; 612-09-019; 612-09-017, NEAR BOULEVARD SUBSTATION: MUP extended to February 2019:

- No news

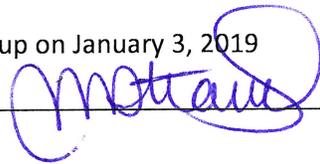
11. LIVE OAK SPRINGS AG CLEARING; PDS2017-AD-17-028: REDUCED ACERAGE:

- No new information on proposed project. Evident clearing and tree planting seem to be ongoing.
- Project neighbors said there are rumors that someone has been digging up some of the trees that have been planted on the property. They also reported there are now about 100 head of cattle grazing on the ranch believed to be owned by John Clark.
- Same neighbors reported having well issues ever since Live Oak Springs made bulk water sales.

G. MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:39 PM: NEXT MEETING SET FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 3RD @ BACKCOUNTRY RESOURCE CENTER.

Minutes approved by the Group on January 3, 2019

Michele Strand, Secretary: _____



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

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