

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)  
\*\*\* 7 PM THURSDAY APRIL 7, 2022– FINAL AGENDA/NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING  
COMMUNITY ROOM IN BACK AT 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905\*\*\*

**A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum):** 1) VACANT; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Donna Tisdale; 5) Michele Strand; 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):**

**C. ACT ON DRAFT MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR ,MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup> 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. Items can be added to future agendas.

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

1. **COUNTY STAFF WILL PRESENT REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK UPDATE: PROPOSED CONCENTRATION OF LARGE RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS IN BOULEVARD & JACUMBA;** Comments due May 31: [zerocarbon.Lueg@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:zerocarbon.Lueg@sdcounty.ca.gov); Project website: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/sustainability/regional-decarbonization.html>
2. **MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND) FOR LIVE OAK SPRINGS WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – VOTE ON WELL # 6 ONLY:** No vote was taken at March meeting due to lack of time to review MND. Public comment closed on 3/31. The Group will consider voting to endorse comments submitted by Chair Tisdale and / or Michael Coyne. Based on comment letters, *Staff is now requesting a limited vote to recommend approval of just the Well No. 6 project to the Board of Supervisors.* The project proposes a new secondary well to be constructed as a backup for the primary well. Site is approximately 75 feet from the existing primary well. A construction contract is expected to be awarded in late summer of 2022. Construction is expected to last 1 month. No traffic interruption is expected as all of the work will occur on the County owned parcel APN 609-050-0060. **Long-term plans include:** 1)New secondary well; 2)Two new 100,000 gallon water storage tanks; 3)New booster pump station; 4) New water system piping; 5) Replacement of the existing primary well. Board of Supervisors vote on project is expected June 15<sup>th</sup>. County contact: [gail.getz@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:gail.getz@sdcounty.ca.gov) ; 858-877-0459; MND docs posted at: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/dpw/envrnsrvcs.html>.
3. **VOTE ON APPLICATION FOR VACANT SEAT #1:** Manuel Octavio Casanova, Jr. has applied for appointment to Seat #1. Mr. Casanova will have an opportunity to express why he wants to be recommended for appointment. Group members have opportunity to interview him before voting. Recommendation will require Board of Supervisors vote.

**G. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. **REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:**
2. **REPORT ON COUNTY'S PLANNING & SPONSOR GROUP CHAIRS' MEETING HELD ON 3-19-22.**

**H. PROJECT UPDATES:**

1. **BOULEVARD MICROGRID & STRATEGIC UNDERGROUNDING:** CPUC conditionally approved the project on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. SDG&E is reportedly still working through the final process with the CPUC. Completion / online date expected to be August 2023.
2. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR: PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION-NEW PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Project originally approved in 2014 for Soitec Solar but never built. Greenskies Clean Focus (<https://www.greenskies.com/>) is moving forward with a reported 20% reduction in project footprint. Final public review / EIR Addendum is expected in the next few months. Current PDS Planner / contact: [Regina.Ochoa@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Regina.Ochoa@sdcounty.ca.gov) .

3. **20 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR + 80 MW EXPANSION:** The application is pending for this 20 MW project planned on Empire Ranch, Jewel Valley, with intent to connect to grid via the Boulevard Substation. An 80 MW expansion and 200MW battery storage project are also planned and are included in the CAISO grid queue ( # 2168 & # 2173): <http://www.caiso.com/PublishedDocuments/PublicQueueReport.xlsx>
4. **TERRA-GEN'S 252 MW-60 TURBINE CAMPO WIND PROJECT APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 3-17-21 WITH VOTE TO APPROVE BOULDER BRUSH FACILITIES. APPEAL OF FEDERAL APPROVALS OF CAMPO WIND FILED IN 9<sup>TH</sup> CIRCUIT COURT APPEAL ON 2-22-22:** Approved for Campo Reservation land by Dept of Interior April 2020. Federal lawsuit filed 7-8-20. On August 6, 2021, the federal judge granted the Campo Band's Motion to Dismiss the case. FAA approved project for second time despite SO CAL TRACON objections over significant aviation impacts. An appeal of FAA approval has been filed in the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit.
5. **TERRA-GEN'S BOULDER BRUSH SUBSTATION FACILITIES PDS2019-MUP-19-002; PDS2019-ER-19-16-001; UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 3-17-21. CEQA CHALLENGE FILED. FAA APPROVED TRANSMISSION TOWERS IN FEB-MARCH 2022:** Boulder Brush Facilities include 3.5 miles of overhead 230 kilovolt generation transmission (gen-tie) line on private land, approximately 32 steel poles at a maximum height of 150 feet, a high voltage substation, a switchyard, in/out connection to the existing Sunrise Powerlink. These facilities will connect Terra-Gen's 60-4.2 MW Campo Wind turbines on the Campo Reservation to Sunrise Powerlink via the substation and switchyard on private land. See more project details at this link: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/BoulderBrush.html>
6. **90 MW JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR); APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 8-18-21. CEQA LAWSUIT CHALLENGING APPROVAL WAS FILED ON 9-20-21:** 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (360 MWh). The development footprint of the proposed solar facility is approximately 623 acres. Project documents are posted at: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-18-022.html>.
7. **ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ (ESJ) WIND II-EXPANSION COMMENCES OPERATIONS:** FEB 8, 2022: Sempra announced commencement of operations for 108MW (26-Vestas V150-4.2MW) expansion of existing 155 MW ESJ Wind I project (47-3.3 MW turbines) on 13,000 acres south of the border just east of Jacumba and Ejido Jacume. Energy is exported cross border to ECO Substation per Power Purchase Agreement with SDG&E: <https://www.sempra.com/energia-sierra-juarez-phase-ii-wind-farm-commences-operations>
8. **TERRA-GEN'S 126 MW TORREY WIND PROJECT WITH 30-4.2 MW TURBINES: PDS2018-MUP-18-014:** No project progress reported since approximately 2018. Torrey Wind will rely on Campo Wind's approved but not yet built Boulder Brush Substation. PDS has extended their project resubmittal with a due date of March 24, 2022: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/TorreyWindNOP.html>
9. **TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW:** Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the Ewiiapayaap Reservation, with a capacity of 69 megawatts, as expansion to existing 131.1 MW Tule Wind I with 57 -2.3 MW turbines. No progress since approximately 2016: <https://www.eastcountymagazine.org/state-approves-tule-wind-phase-ii-opponents-voice-concern-eagles-wildlife-residents>
10. **BOULEVARD ENERGY STORAGE PDS2017-ZAP-17-006:** 100 MW battery storage project proposed to connect to Boulevard Substation is on the County's idle project list. County will be sending letter to applicant to withdraw, reactivate, or moved forward for denial after April 30, 2022.
11. **60 MW 420 ACRE BOULEVARD SOLAR MUP12-010TE PDS2012-3300-12-00 @ 796 Tierra Del Sol Road:** No project progress reported. Approved in 2014 and terminated by Soitec Solar in March 2015. Invenergy withdrew from project in 2018. Absentee owner still promoting it. Permit reportedly expires in July 2022.

#### **I. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022.**

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