

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)**

***** 7 PM THURSDAY JULY 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) Manuel Casanova; 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 JUNE 2ND 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.

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

1. **SDG&E UPDATE ON BOULEVARD MICROGRID & STRATEGIC UNDERGROUNDING:** CPUC approved the project on 6/23/22. It will serve selected Boulevard and Campo Reservation facilities.
2. **VOTE ON WHETHER OR NOT TO ENDORSE RUGGED SOLAR REVISED PEIR ADDENDUM COMMENTS SUBMITTED BY CHAIR TISDALE, IN ADVANCE OF PLANNING COMMISSION AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARINGS:** 21-page comment letter was submitted by Chair, as a personal review, prior to formal BPG approval. Comments include requests for verification of groundwater resources for construction; underground on-site collector lines; removal of concertina wire on chain link fencing; and increased setbacks from McCain Valley Road and non-participating private properties, in compliance with defensible space requirements.
3. **COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENTS (CBA); POD: 21-007:** The Project is to investigate the feasibility and resources needed for the County to establish CBA programs, policies and/or guidelines and return to the Board of Supervisors with options for additional direction including what types of projects would be included, such as renewable energy projects. And Guidelines for the County to negotiate and enter into CBAs with developers, including identification of potential incentives that the County could offer in return for community benefits. Contact for more info: Phone: (858) 505-6677; PDS.LongRangePlanning@sdcounty.ca.gov; Project webpage <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/longrangeplanning/cba.html>

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. **REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:**
2. SANDAG Get Connected program to connect people and communities by raising awareness of available resources to access affordable high-speed internet: www.getconnected.sandag.org

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

1. <https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20220624005050/en/SDGE-to-Add-Four-Microgrids-With-Energy-Storage-to-Further-Strengthen-Summer-Grid-Reliability-and-Advance-Clean-Energy-Goals>
2. **LIVE OAK SPRINGS WATER SYSTEM COUNTY SERVICE AREA 127:** Website: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/dpw/h2o1.html>
<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/longrangeplanning/cba.html>
3. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION; ADDENDUM TO REVISED PROGRAMMATIC EIR & COMMUNITY BENEFITS UPDATE:** Current PDS Project Manager: Regina.Ochoa@sdcounty.ca.gov (619) 323-8090. Public comment ended 5/23/22. Project documents are posted at: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-12-007W1.html>
4. **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>
5. **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 9TH 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. In 2021, the FAA approved project for second time despite SO CAL TRACON objections over significant aviation impacts. An appeal of FAA approval is in process at the 9th Circuit.

6. **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. CAMPO BAND FILED MOTION TO INTERVENE. DEC 15 MERITS HEARING SET WITH JUDGE FRAZIER. 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 new substation and switchyard: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/BoulderBrush.html>
7. **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>.
8. **ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ (ESJ) WIND II-EXPANSION COMMENCES OPERATIONS:** FEB 8, 2022: Sempra commenced operations of their 108 MW (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>
9. **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. On March 14th, PDS granted Terra-Gens March 14th request for project time extension through September 24, 2022. <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/TorreyWindNOP.html> The CAISO Grid Queue report (#2177) shows a Boulder Brush Hybrid with 105.8 MW wind and 314 MW battery storage with an online date of 6/1/25: <http://www.caiso.com/PublishedDocuments/PublicQueueReport.xlsx>
10. **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>
11. **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. If it remains inactive for another 12 months from the time of the new ordinance and does not request an extension, they will be automatically withdrawn. In addition, Starlight Solar proposes to use some of the same area. Boulevard Energy Storage application will need to be withdrawn from processing if a new permit applicant is applied for as part of the Starlight Solar project
12. **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. The absentee owner still promoting it. Permit reportedly expires in July 2022.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JULY 7TH, 2022.

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/gpupdate/comm/blvd.html>

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