

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)
*** 7 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND, 2023 – FINAL AGENDA / NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING
AT 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905*****

A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum): 1) Manuel Casanova, Jr.; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Anthony Ralphs; 5) Melanie Zardeneta-Hayden; 6) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. APPROVE MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 5th 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. **BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP’S STANDING RULES:** The December, 2006 issue of BCPG’s Standing Rules were updated and submitted to County Council on October 19, 2023, for review. County Council gave their approval October 26, 2023. With Board approval, all future meetings will be conducted under these Standing Rules.
2. **PARK LANDS DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) PRIORITY LIST:** Suggestions are to be listed on the Priority List Form that has been provided. All forms must be turned in at this meeting. Priority lists must be received by the DPLO by November 30, 2023.
3. **RECORDING OF PLANNING GROUP MEETINGS:** Pam Haas has volunteered to video our meeting. I accepted her offer for the October 5th meeting. There was an issue with the audio, but the video portion was successful. Public discussion is encouraged.

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **CANNABIS PROGRAM EIR – PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS:** Two Cannabis EIR Scoping Meetings were held In October on Zoom. These meetings are held to receive comments on the scope and content of the EIR. Comments were due by 10/31/2023.
- **LETTER OF SUPPORT TO CAMPO LAKE MORENA CPG:** Campo’s Chair, Billie Jo Jannen, provided information on the Crestwood Cemetery for our letter. The letter of support in CLMCPG’s opposition to the Project was sent 10/24/2023 to Jae Roland-Chase, Planner for the Project, also a copy was sent to Greg Kazmer, Supervisor Anderson’s office. Both emailed a confirmation of receipt the same day.
- **SANDAG UNINCORPORATED REPRESENTATION:** The Association of Planning Groups (APG) will hold a final formation meeting on November 6, 2023, at 6:30 PM. Zoom Meeting ID: 813 9080 1966 Passcode: 349174 Or join on-line: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81390801965?pwd=Il4J4zx6c1LSoEcQc1xlZQfcywlAcF.1>
- **REFUGEE IMMIGRANTS:** Local resident, Wren Hernandez expressed concern about all the refugee immigrant drop offs at the border in Jacumba. She claims that she and several others have had their property trespassed onto by these migrants. She expressed safety concerns for these groups of migrants and recommended that we encourage anyone to call and report suspicious activity to the Border Patrol.

- **REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:**

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

1. **100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR PLUS BATTERIES PLANNED FOR 565 ACRES IN 8 EMPIRE RANCH AREAS OF JEWEL VALLEY AREA; MAJOR USE PERMIT (MUP) NOTICE OF PROJECT: PDS2022-MPA-22-006. 20 MW POWER** The list of benefits previously submitted has been sent to the County per their request. The list as follows:
 - Complete the community center park next door. Leverage the Rugged Solar \$900,000.00 on top of that from the County in matching funds.
 - Conduct a regional (Boulevard) ethnobotanical survey.
 - Selectively underground certain power lines.
 - Plan/upgrade the Live Oaks Springs “park”. I say “park” because the land is privately owned. This is the densest population in the area.
 - Build a new commercial site on Haagen property at the southwest corner of Old Hwy 80 and Jewel valley Road with a community resource component.
 - Supply and connect more generators.
 - Provide and fund a help desk for residents dealing with outside issues.
 - Create a “community resilience hub” attached to the refurbished community center.
2. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION APPROVED BY BOS ON 10-12-22:** Change of ownership is ongoing. Nothing new to report.
Project docs link: <https://bosagenda.sandiegocounty.gov/cob/cosd/cob/doc?id=0901127e80f2ae72>
3. **TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW:** Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the Ewiiapayaap Reservation.
Avangrid Inc. (parent company of Tule Wind) and Vitol Inc. have reached a transfer agreement for the 2023 **production tax credits** of the Tule Wind Project. Going forward, we will have to see how it affects the project.
4. **TERRA-GEN’S BOULDER BRUSH FACILITIES (SUBSTATION GEN-TIE) PDS2022-MUP-19-002TE:** The County vested Terra-Gen’s project so their permit Time Extension application has been withdrawn. On October 21, Judge Ronald Frazier granted Intervenor-Defendant Campo Band of Diegueno Mission Indians’ Motion to Dismiss the legal challenge to the County’s approval of this project, due to their sovereign immunity. **An appeal was submitted on 6/20/2023 by the non-profit BAD.** Project docs and maps link: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/BoulderBrush.html>.
5. **TERRA-GEN’S 252 MW-60 TURBINE CAMPO WIND PROJECT. ON OCTOBER 27th THE 9th CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS DIMISSED THE LEGAL CHALLENGE BASED ON TRIBAL SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY:** Campo Wind was 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 based on sovereignty. The case was appealed to 9th Circuit. In 2021. **The non-profit BAD won their appeal against the FAA approval of the project.**
6. **90 MW JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR); APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 8-18-21. CEQA LAWSUIT WAS FILED AND DISMISSED. AN APPEAL WAS FILED:** 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (360 MWh) on 613 acres. Project documents are posted at: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-18-022.html>.
7. **60 MW 420 ACRE BOULEVARD SOLAR MUP12-010TE PDS2012-3300-12-00 @ 796 Tierra Del Sol Road;** No project progress reported. The absentee owner is still promoting it. Permit was set to expire at the end of July 2022. Another Major Use Permit Time Extension is reportedly being processed.
8. **SEMPRA’S CIMMARON WIND:** 300 MW wind & 500 MW Volta Mexicali battery storage project in Mexico. This project, near Tecate, has received the green light from the environment ministry in Mexico. It will link to the existing transmission line used to export energy generated by the Sierra Juarez wind farm and transmitted to the Boulevard substation.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY DECEMBER 7th, 2023.

For more information contact Earl Goodnight, email blvdgoodnight@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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