

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP (BCPG)
*****7 PM THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2025 – FINAL AGENDA / NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING**
COMMUNITY ROOM, 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905***

TONIGHT'S MEETING IS BEING SHARED ON ZOOM.

The current login and passcode are provided:

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

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. APPROVE MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR MAY 1st MEETING:

D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: Opportunity for public comment on any subject 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.

Comments shall be limited to (3) minutes.

E. ACTION ITEMS

1. **STARLIGHT SOLAR MEETING:** The Starlight EIR is almost done and ready for public review. County Planner Nick Koutoufidis wants to have a County-hosted meeting in Boulevard to take questions, etc. He proposes any of these dates --7/15, 7/16, 7/21, 7/22, or 7/23. The community room will not be available on 7/21 (Fire Safe meeting). The Board needs to reach an agreement on a date to accommodate all. Chair to advise County Planner.
Discussion and decision only, no vote required.
2. **CONGRESSMAN ISSA SUPPORT LETTER REQUEST:** Every 5 years, Congress passes a Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act. While this does not directly fund projects, it sets priorities and language around where surface transportation should focus. Congressman Issa is asking community groups to provide letters of support.
Issa's list of suggestions is included in your agenda packet for review.
Discussion and vote

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **PLANNING GROUP SEAT VACANCY:** The County has received an application from Deborah Gonzales for seat #3 on the Boulevard Planning Group. Ms. Gonzales has requested agenda time to present a short presentation to the Board.
Applications will continue to be accepted until seat #3 is filled. The County keeps all valid applications on file for one (1) year.
Applications must be submitted online using the County's website.
Planning Group online application link:
<https://sandiegocounty.primegov.com/Portal/NewForm/1?committeeld=315>
- **2025 SDG&E WILDFIRE SAFETY FAIR:** SDG&E has released their 2025 Wildfire Safety Fair schedule. There will be four (4) events to learn more about how to develop an emergency plan, learn how to create and maintain defensible space, and provide safety tips with information and materials provided by their regional partners along with SDG&E.
Flyers for the events are available.

- **DPW RESURFACING PROGRAM STATUS FY 25-26:** The San Diego County Department of Public Works (DPW) has released an update regarding the status of their FY 2025-26 annual resurfacing program. For FY 25-26, DPW is proposing the attached list of roads to the Board of Supervisors for approval. You will notice on the lists in your agenda packet, for district 2, Boulevard is not listed.
- **SANDAG UNINCORPORATED REPRESENTATION:** The Association of Planning Group held their in-person members meeting in Lakeside on May 31, 2025. APG representatives were selected for the SANDAG Policy Advisory Committees (Public Safety, Regional Planning, Transportation, and Borders) to attend their scheduled meetings. Carol Hake, Lakeside Chair requested permission to represent the APG in their Audit Committee but was denied due to privacies concerns.
- **CAL FIRE SUSPENDS BURN PERMITS:** From an article in East County Magazine all burn permits issued by CAL FIRE have been suspended that's within the State Responsibility Area (SRA) of San Diego County. This went into effect on June 2, 2025.
East County Magazine's article is included in your agenda packet.
- **CLIMATE ACTION PLAN:** The Climate Action Plan May newsletter is included in your agenda packet.
- **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Information that has been received considered of interest to the community.
- **REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:**
Fire Safe: Two chipping events have been held in Boulevard. Chipping events will continue monthly throughout the year, flyers are available.
The first tire collection event is scheduled for June 7th at the Boulevard Resource Center 8:00 am – 12:00 or until the bin is full. A strict limit of ten (10) tires per load will be enforced.
Revitalization: No report

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

1. **100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR AND BATTERY STORAGE PROJECT ON 565 ACRES OF THE EMPIRE RANCH ON JEWEL VALLEY RD; PROJECT: PDS2022-MPA-22-006.** Jim Whalen to report.
2. **74 MW RUGGED SOLAR DISCRETIONARY PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 TIME EXTENSION PERMIT:** Jim Whalen to report.

COUNTY UPDATES ON AGENDA ITEMS 3 THROUGH 7: County planner Nick Koutoufigis has supplied an update on the open projects in our area. The list is included in your agenda packet.
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: Ruling on appeal submitted 6/20/2023 by non-profit:** On March 13, the Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, ruled in favor by issuing a judgement that reverses the previous court dismissal of BADs legal challenge. The new ruling remands San Diego County's 2021 approval of Terra-Gen's Boulder Brush Substation back to superior court to vacate their judgement of dismissal and the underlying order granting Campo's motion to dismiss, and to enter a new order denying the motion to dismiss.
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:** 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (360 MWh) on 613 acres.

Update 5/30/2024, The litigation has been resolved and the developer is now moving forward on conditions that were required as part of the project.

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.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JULY 3rd, 2025.

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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