#### **COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO**

# BOULEVARD COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP (BCPG) \*\*\*7 PM THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 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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Passcode: 951242

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 AUGUST 7th MEETING:

<u>D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION</u>: This is an 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:** No action items this month.

## F. GROUP BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- PLANNING GROUP SEAT VACANCY: Carl Andeeerson's nomination for appointment to the BCPG was on the Board of Supervisor's 8/26/2025 agenda. The Board of Supervisors voted to appoint Carl Anderson III to the BCPG seat -3. At the time of the BCPG agenda posting, Chair is waiting on proof of training to seat the appointee.
- <u>AES DESERT JEWEL BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (BESS) PROJECT:</u> Michael Huynh, and his team from the AES Corporation will present their Desert Jewel BESS Project to the Group.
- DRAFT EIR FOR THE STARLIGHT SOLAR PROJECT (PDS2022-MUP-22-010): The Draft EIR was released July 31<sup>st</sup> for public review and comments. The comment period will close on September 15<sup>th</sup>.
   Comment letter forms are available during the Planning meeting, or by email to BCPG Chair: blvdgoodnight@gmail.com.

The Draft EIR is available in hard copy during the Planning meeting, also the Jacumba library and available on-line on the Public Disclosure Website using the link provided: Starlight Solar (sandiegocounty.gov)

• SANDAG UNICORPATED REPRESENTATION: SANDAG's Draft Environmental Impact Report for the 2025 Regional Plan is available for public comment. Review the Draft EIR for the proposed 2025 Regional Plan and share your written comment (digitally or postmarked) by October 13 at 5 p.m. Your input will help develop the final EIR for the 2025 Regional Plan, which is expected to be released in December 2025. The Draft EIR notice is included in your agenda packet.

**Note:** The Draft EIR contains East County interchange improvements at the Crestwood Road & I-8 interchange. At the time of agenda posting, Association of Planning Groups SANDAG meeting minutes were not available.

• **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Information that has been received considered of interest to the community.

#### • REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

#### **Fire Safe**

The 9/16 Boulevard community clean up event collected 16.37 tons of trash, .64 tons of e-waste & 7.93 tons of metal. This was a combined effort with Fire Safe & JBRA. volunteers: East County Transitional Living 6, Tzu Chi 6, Boulevard 2, Campo 1, and Jacumba 2. Thank you to the volunteers for a smooth event. Special thanks to EDCO for supplying the trucks and bins. EDCO has done this free of charge for several years.

Upcoming events Chipping Boulevard 9/27-8am to 12noon, Campo clean up event 9/20-8am to 11am (Home Makers Thrift store location).

#### Revitalization

We still have people dropping off mattresses without calling, most can't be recycled, and we are left with disposing of them. We are looking to discontinue this service due to the effort of having to dispose of non-recyclable mattresses.

Household recycling is going well, bin is close to being full and soon to be picked and replaced.

HVAC system is finished and working in the Bay.

A new sign for the front of the driveway is in process, a local artist is painting the sign. Made possible by donation.

Community Resource Center mock drill went well, and the Resource Center is ready for a PSPS if needed. Painting & maintenance is still ongoing. If anyone wants to help with either, organizations can contact **201-890-3344** and leave message with contact information. We are one hundred percent volunteer based and rely on grants and donations to operate. All donations are tax deductible.

## **G. PROJECT UPDATES:**

- 1. <u>100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR AND BATTERY STORAGE PROJECT DRAFT EIR RELEASED 7/31/2025 (PDS2022-MUP-22-010)</u>: Jim Whalen to report.
- 2. 74 MW RUGGED SOLAR DISCRETIONARY PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 TIME EXTENSION PERMIT: Jim Whalen to report.

NO MOVEMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS 3 THROUGH 7 SINCE THE JUNE UPDATE.

**3.** <u>TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW</u>: Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the Ewiiaapayaap 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 27<sup>th</sup> THE 9<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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. Project documents are posted at: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/cega/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. This project is currently still in process with the County; however, they have not received a new submittal for some time.
  An absentee owner is promoting the project.

#### H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 2, 2025.

For more information contact Earl Goodnight, email <a href="mailto:blvdgoodnight@gmail.com">blvdgoodnight@gmail.com</a>, Current and past meeting agendas and approved minutes are posted on the County website @ <a href="http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/gpupdate/comm/blvd.html">http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/gpupdate/comm/blvd.html</a>.

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