

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP  
\*\*\*FINAL MEETING AGENDA\*\*\***

**DATE & TIME:** 7:00 PM, Thursday, October 1, 2015

**MEETING LOCATION:** Boulevard Fire Training Room, 39923 Ribbonwood Rd, Boulevard CA 91905 (behind old Station)

**A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum):** 1) Robert Maupin; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Donna Tisdale; 5) Michele Strand; 6) Paula Byrd; 7) Ronald Hynum

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** (please silence cell phones)

**C. MEETING MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 3RD 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.

**E. ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **LANSING PRIVATE ROAD GRADING PDS2012-2700-15676, LOG NO. PDS2015-er-15-21-002: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:** The project is described as a grading plan for an existing private road. The "road" appears to cover the same footprint as a controversial airstrip located on Empire Ranch on Jewel Valley Road. Comments are due by October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Send to [Donald.Kraft@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Donald.Kraft@sdcounty.ca.gov). Project documents are posted @ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/2700-15676.html>. For more information, contact County Project Manager @ [Kenneth.brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Kenneth.brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov); 858-694-2728.
2. **ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (ATP) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN (POD 14-006):** Public input is requested. The County received a 2014 California Active Transportation Program grant to develop an ATP from SANDAG. The ATP is expected to take two years to develop. It will update and integrate existing County plans and efforts on the Trails Master Plan (2009); Bicycle Transportation Plan (2003) (and sync with General Plan Mobility Element (2011)); Pedestrian Area Plans: Alpine, Borrego Springs, Fallbrook Town Center, Lakeside Town Center, Spring Valley (2010); Safe Routes to Schools, and; New Pedestrian Gap Analysis: existing conditions for sidewalk and pathway networks. Community residents and any other interested individuals or groups are also encouraged to visit the ATP project website @ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/advance/ActiveTransportationPlan.html>. Project Manager: Everett Hauser; 858-694-2412 or [Everett.hauser@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Everett.hauser@sdcounty.ca.gov). Project cost: \$650,000: <http://www.sandag.org/uploads/projectid/applications/ATGP2a/02.pdf>.

**F. GROUP BUSINESS & PROJECT UPDATES:** Announcements; correspondence; discussion only items

1. **REVITALIZATION REPORT:**
2. **FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT:**
3. **SOITEC SOLAR DEVELOPMENT; PDS2012-3910-120005: In response to a court order in Case NO. 37-2015-00007420-CU-TT-CTL, a Board of Supervisors' hearing is set for October 14<sup>th</sup>.** Staff is asking the Board to recertify a Revised EIR and adopt a Major Use Permit without the optional battery storage component previously included for Rugged Solar. County PDS contact: [Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov); 858-495-5375. *The revised documents will be posted @ [http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa\\_public\\_review.html](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa_public_review.html).*
4. **JOINT CPUC AND FOREST SERVICE FINAL EIR/EIS AND FOREST SERVICE DRAFT RECORD OF DECISION HAVE BEEN RELEASED FOR SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC'S MASTER SPECIAL USE PERMIT / PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT APPLICATION:** The selected Environmentally Superior Alternative includes the reconstruction and upgrade of SDG&E's Transmission Line 6931 (TL6931) that runs east-west through Boulevard, connecting the Boulevard Substation to the Crestwood Substation, by the Golden Acorn Casino. The FEIR/EIS Notice of Availability is posted @ [http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/NOA\\_Final.pdf](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/NOA_Final.pdf). The FEIR/EIS and the Forest Service's Draft Record of Decision are posted at: <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/CNF.htm>. The project includes replacing 1,800 wooden poles with taller steel poles with increased number and size of wires.
5. **TULE WIND - IBERDROLA ANNOUNCES 15-YEAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (PPA) FOR 132MW:** July 28: Iberdrola announced a PPA was signed with SCE for up to 67 wind turbines on close to 14,000 acres of BLM land in McCain Valley; potential expansion later. Unresolved appeals remain in the 9th Circuit Court, challenging the District Court's support of BLM's Tule Wind project approvals. Tule Wind is currently working with County staff

on compliance with MUP conditions; No Eagle Take Permits have been issued. Tule Wind Map: <http://tulewindeccmp.com/Figure2-ProjectLocation.pdf> . BLM's project website with related documents and maps: <http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/elcentro/nepa/tule.html>.

6. **TULE WIND'S LEASE APPLICATION WITH STATE LANDS COMMISSION (SLC) FOR WIND TURBINES, ROADS & INFRASTRUCTURE, MAY BE HEARD IN OCTOBER:** Tule Wind's lease application and land appraisal report is currently under review for SLC land that abutts the Manzanita Reservation on the north. SLC'S staff reports that the hearing could take place at their October 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, currently planned for San Diego, or at a later meeting. Comments can be submitted to: [CSLC.CommissionMeetings@slc.ca.gov](mailto:CSLC.CommissionMeetings@slc.ca.gov) . Commission agendas are posted 10 days prior to hearing dates: <http://www.slc.ca.gov/>
7. **TULE WIND PHASE II:** USFWS rejected Tule Wind's Eagle Take Permit application. However, data review and permit work continues. In August 2015, US District Judge Koh overturned FWS's 2013 rule allowing 30-year Take Permits because FWS did not complete a National Environmental Policy Act-compliant impact statement or environmental assessment before increasing the eagle take permits sixfold: <http://www.courthousenews.com/2015/08/13/judge-rules-for-eagles-over-wind-power.htm> An unresolved lawsuit was filed by a non-profit group in September 2014, challenging the Bureau of Indian Affairs' 2013 approval of 20 turbines on Ewiiapaayp tribal lands for Tule II: [http://protectourcommunities.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/TuleWindII\\_Complaint\\_9-24-14.pdf](http://protectourcommunities.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/TuleWindII_Complaint_9-24-14.pdf)
8. **2.9MW CHAPMAN SOLAR RANCH, PDS2015-MUP-15-005, LOG NO. PDS2015-ER-15-21-001: Revised Plot Plans & Grading Plans received:** On August 7<sup>th</sup>, County staff issued their 1<sup>st</sup> Iteration Review of Initial Studies/Information filed by the applicant. Project documents and maps are posted @ [http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Current\\_Protects/ChapmanSolarRanch.html](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Current_Protects/ChapmanSolarRanch.html) . sPower's website: [www.spower.com](http://www.spower.com) . PDS Project Manager: [Benjamin.Mills@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Mills@sdcounty.ca.gov) ; 858-495-5234.
9. **COMPREHENSIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY (CREP) POD 13-007:** County Project Manager: Noah Alvey; 858-694-8846; [noah.alvey@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:noah.alvey@sdcounty.ca.gov) ; CREP documents: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/advance/CREP.html>
10. **KEVIN KEANE: UPDATE ON POTENTIAL IMPACTS AND OPTIONS RELATED TO THE FCC'S RECENT ACTION URGING CARRIERS TO RETIRE COPPER PHONE LINES AND UPGRADE TO FIBER:** <http://arstechnica.com/business/2015/08/fcc-urges-carriers-to-turn-off-copper-networks-upgrade-to-fiber/>
11. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH CAMPGROUND/CONFERENCE CENTER: PDS2012-3300-12-021 (MUP): ANOTHER 30-DAY DRAFT EIR EXTENSION:** 2750 MCCAIN VALLEY ROAD: 753 ACRES ZONED RL80/A72: Major Use Permit for a Conference, Retreat, Wellness Center, and Campground Facility on 713 acres in McCain Valley. Project Manager: Jim Bennett: (858) 6948846; [jim.bennett@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:jim.bennett@sdcounty.ca.gov) .
12. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH ROAD - MAJOR GRADING PERMIT PENDING: PDS2011-2700-15622: APPLICANT GREGG HAMANN:** New private connector road proposed between Ribbonwood Road and McCain Valley Road as main access for Iberdrola's Tule Wind project, and secondary access for the Rough Acres Campground & Conference Center. County Project Manager: [Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov) ; 858-694-2728 ph; 858-694-8928 fax.
13. **20MW JACUMBA SOLAR MUP PDS2014 MUP-14-041 DRAFT EIR:** Public comment closed on the Jacumba Solar DEIR on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The project, with 10MW of battery storage in 10 cargo containers, is proposed for 108 acres of 304 acre site located south of Old Hwy 80 and west of SDG&E's ECO Substation. Project Manager: [Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov) ; 858-495-5375. The Draft EIR is posted @ [http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/regulatory/docs/jacumba\\_solar.html](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/regulatory/docs/jacumba_solar.html)

#### **G. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE IS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH @ BOULEVARD FIRE TRAINING ROOM.**

*For More information* contact Donna Tisdale, Chair at 619-766-4170 or [tisdale.donna@gmail.com](mailto: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/Groups/Boulevard.html>

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