

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP
FINAL MEETING AGENDA/NOTICE**

DATE & TIME: 7:00 PM, Thursday, May 5, 2016

MEETING LOCATION: Boulevard Fire Training Room, 39923 Ribbonwood Rd, Boulevard CA 91905 (behind old Fire 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 MARCH 3RD MEETING (APRIL MEETING WAS CANCELLED):

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 (Agenda items may be taken out of order)

1. **20MW JACUMBA SOLAR LLC MUP PDS2014 MUP-14-041; SHOULD THE GROUP SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE FINAL EIR RELEASED IN APRIL?** The Planning Commission hearing is currently set for May 20th. Jacumba Solar LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of NextEra Energy based in Juno Beach, Florida. 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. County staff continues to process the applicant's Major Use Permit. PDS Project Manager: Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-495-5375. The Final EIR is posted @ http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Current_Protects/jacumba_solar/Final_EIR.html.
2. **45-DAY CEQA NOTICE FOR DRAFT EIR (sch#2015061047; PDS2015-ER-15-00-001) FOR THE AGRICULTURE PROMOTION ORDINANCE INCLUDING A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT:** Stated goal is to streamline regulations and update definitions, procedures, and standards to provide more opportunities for agriculture operations including agritourism. Comment deadline is June 13 @ 4PM. County contact: Dennis Campbell 858-505-6380 or dennis.campbell@sdcounty.ca.gov ; The DEIR is posted @ http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa_public_review.html . Proposed GPA and zoning changes are posted @ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/advance/agriculturepromotion.html> .

F. GROUP BUSINESS & PROJECT UPDATES – DISCUSSION ONLY

1. **GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM PRESENTATION BY JIM BENNETT, COUNTY GROUNDWATER GEOLOGIST:**
2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:**
3. **SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S PUBLIC OUTREACH PLAN FOR THEIR CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (CAP):** For more information regarding the CAP, please contact Bulmaro Canseco, CAP Project Manager @ [858.694.2216](tel:858.694.2216) | Bulmaro.Canseco@sdcounty.ca.gov. The County's outreach plan is posted @ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/pds/advance/cap/SDCountyCAP-PublicOutreachandEngagementPlan.pdf>
4. **REVITALIZATION REPORT:**
5. **FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT:**
6. **LIVE OAK SPRINGS WATER RATE INCREASE AND BULK WATER SALES APPROVED BY CPUC ON APRIL 7TH:** Resolution W-5086 of the Division of Water and Audits was approved by the CPUC. It authorizes Live Oak Springs Water Company's request for a general rate increase and bulk water sales, based on certain conditions being met. CPUC resolution is posted @ <http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/SearchRes.aspx?docformat=ALL&DocID=159694957>
7. **ROUGH ACRES RANCH CAMPGROUND/CONFERENCE CENTER: PDS2012-3300-12-021 (MUP); DRAFT EIR PENDING:** Application, by Rough Acres Foundation, Inc (RAF), 1000 Pioneer Way, El Cajon, for Conference, Retreat, Wellness Center, and Campground Facility on 713 acres ZONED RL80/A72 known as Rough Acres Ranch located at 2750 MCCAIN VALLEY ROAD. PDS Project Manager, Bronwyn.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov (858) 495-5516, replaces Jim Bennett. Project documents are posted @ http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/Current_Protects/Rough_Acres_ranch.html
8. **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 and Soitec's Rugged Solar. County Project Manager: Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-694-2728.
9. **SOITEC SOLAR:** Soitec's Rugged Solar and Tierra Del Sol Solar projects are permitted for CPV solar and have survived legal challenges after court-ordered removal of the 160 cargo containers of battery storage. Soitec has discontinued operations of their CPV solar business, their San Diego factory has been sold, and efforts continue to sell off the residual assets of its

Solar activities, which includes their Boulevard projects. **Project water sales contracts between Soitec, Rough Acres Water Company (RAWC), and Pine Valley Mutual Water Company were cancelled in early 2015 (Soitec) and February 2016 (RAWC), according to PVMWC's website.** PDS project manager: Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov ;(858) 495-5375. Soitec project records are posted @ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/Soitec-Solar-EIR.html>

10. **TULE WIND PHASE 1– SCE's 15-YEAR POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT (PPA) FOR 132MW APPROVED BY CPUC ON 4-21-16:** CPUC's vote on the draft resolution proposing approval of the Power Purchase Agreement was temporarily delayed, after SCE amended their Advice Letter on April 1st, regarding project generated infrastructure impacts. The CPUC approved Resolution E-4746 on 4-21-16: <http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Published/G000/M160/K099/160099557.PDF> . Tule Wind is currently working with County staff on compliance with Major Use Permit (MUP) conditions. BLM's project website with related documents and maps: <http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/elcentro/nepa/tule.html>. Tule Wind Map: <http://tulewindecomp.com/Figure2-ProjectLocation.pdf>.
11. **CHAIR'S REPORT ON APRIL 6TH TULE WIND HEARING @THE 9TH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS FOR LEGAL CHALLENGES TO BLM APPROVALS:** *Backcountry Against Dumps, et al., v. Sally Jewell, et al.* Ninth Circuit Case No. 14-55666 (consolidated with No. 14-55842 *Protect Our Communities Foundation v. Sally Jewel*)
12. **PUBLIC HEARING IS CURRENTLY SET FOR JUNE 28TH IN SACRAMENTO FOR TULE WIND'S LEASE APPLICATION FOR PHASE II WIND TURBINES, ROADS & INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSED FOR STATE LANDS COMMISSION LAND ABUTTING MANZANITA RESERVATION AND CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST:** The Commission will vote on Tule Wind's lease application and land appraisal report. Commission agendas are posted 10 days prior to hearing dates: <http://www.slc.ca.gov/>. Comments can be submitted to: CSLC.CommissionMeetings@slc.ca.gov.
13. **TULE WIND PHASE II:** The March 29th US District Court ruling dismissed the federal lawsuit filed in 2014 by The Protect Our Communities Foundation, challenging the Bureau of Indian Affairs' 2013 approval of 20 turbines and related infrastructure on Ewiiapaayp tribal lands for Tule Phase II. USFWS has determined that Tule Wind phase 1 and II are separate projects for their Eagle Act take permit. Permit work continues. To comply with a court order, USFWS has reinstated 5-year permits pending a formal NEPA environmental review process: <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/12/09/2013-29088/eagle-permits-changes-in-the-regulations-governing-eagle-permitting>
14. **COMPREHENSIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY PLAN (CREP) POD 13-007:** No new information currently available. County Project Manager: Noah Alvey; 858-694-8846; noah.alvey@sdcounty.ca.gov; CREP documents: <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/advance/CREP.html>
15. **LANSING PRIVATE ROAD GRADING PDS2012-2700-15676, LOG NO. PDS2015-er-15-21-002: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION:** PDS reports that the mitigation plan is being redone for the project that is described as a grading plan for an existing "private road" that covers the same footprint as a controversial "airstrip" located on Empire Ranch on Jewel Valley Road. The comment period is closed. For more information, contact County Project Manager @ Kenneth.brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-694-2728. Project documents are posted @ <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/2700-15676.html>.
16. **SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC'S MASTER SPECIAL USE PERMIT / PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT APPLICATION A1210009. THE FOREST SERVICE HAS ALREADY APPROVED AND THE CPUC WILL VOTE ON MAY 26th TO APPROVE THE FINAL EIR/EIS:** The project will replace thousands of wooden poles with taller steel poles with potential for an estimated 4-5 times increased carrying capacity. *Approximately 5-10 million gallons of water per year will be used during 5-years of construction.* 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 at the Golden Acorn Casino. The Forest contact is Jeff Heys; 858-674-2959. The Forest Service's Record of Decision is posted @ http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/environment/info/dudek/CNF/MSUP_Final%20ROD_Mitigation_Appendix.pdf . The CPUC's proposed resolution approving the MSUP is posted @ <http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/G000/M159/K884/159884144.PDF> .

G. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE IS THURSDAY, JUNE 2ND, @ BOULEVARD FIRE TRAINING ROOM.

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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