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

DATE & TIME: 7:00 PM, Thursday, August 4th, 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. MINUTES/SUMMARY FOR JULY 7TH 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 (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request)

F. GROUP BUSINESS & PROJECT UPDATES – DISCUSSION ONLY

1. PRESENTATION FROM COUNTY GROUNDWATER GEOLOGIST, JIM BENNETT: The presentation will cover local groundwater monitoring results and related information. Q&A.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE:
   a. On July 11th, The Protect Our Communities Foundation (POC) and Cleveland National Forest Foundation (CNFF) filed a joint request for rehearing with the CPUC for SDG&E’s approved Master Special Use Permit, that includes wood to metal poles and increased capacity on SDG&E’s line from the new Boulevard Substation:
      http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/G000/M164/K949/164949957.PDF
   b. On July 26th, SDG&E filed their 40-page rebuttal, requesting the CPUC to reject the rehearing arguments filed by POC/CNFF and to affirm approval and issuance of the Permit to Construct:
      http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/PublishedDocs/Efile/G000/M165/K613/165613688.PDF
   c. Planning & Development Services has posted the updated 2016 Climate Change Analysis Guidance for CEQA review. Staff will be providing a brief presentation about the guidance at the next quarterly chairperson meeting on August 20th, 2016. The guidance document is posted @ http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/pds/ProjectPlanning/docs/ClimateChangeAnalysisGuidance.pdf

3. REVITALIZATION REPORT:

4. FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT:

5. TULE WIND PROJECT:
   a. The Protect Our Communities Foundation filed an appeal with the 9th Circuit Court requesting a 10 judge panel. Avangrid (FKA Iberdrola) expects to start construction on Tule Wind Phase 1 in September, according to July 26th article in the San Diego Union Tribune:
   b. On July 22nd, a separate appeal was filed by Backcountry Against Dumps.
   c. As of July 18th, according to the US Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), no Eagle Act take permit application has been submitted for either Tule I or Tule II wind projects. The USFWS anticipates a permit application on the Tule 1 project, in the spring of 2017, but they have no information on when to expect an application for Tule II.

6. 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
7. **COMPREHENSIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY PLAN (CREP) POD 13-007**: The draft report from the private contractor has been made available for public review. The PDS Project manager reports they are currently working to align the remainder of the work with other energy and climate related efforts. A final CREP report is tentatively scheduled for review by the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors sometime this summer. County Project Manager: Noah Alvey; 858-694-8846; noah.alvey@sdcounty.ca.gov; CREP website: http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/advance/CREP.html

8. **TULE WIND LEASE APPLICATION WAS PULLED FROM THE STATE LANDS COMMISSION’S AUGUST 9TH AGENDA**: The Commission currently expects to present Tule Wind’s lease application and land appraisal report for 7 wind turbines and other infrastructure at their October 13th meeting scheduled to be held San Diego. 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

9. **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.

10. **SOITEC’S SOLAR PROJECTS FOR SALE**: 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 and sold their San Diego factory. Efforts reportedly continue to sell off their Boulevard projects in McCain Valley and Tierra Del Sol. Ashley.Smith2@sdcounty.ca.gov; (858) 495-5375. Soitec project records are posted at http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/Soltec-Solar-EIR.html

11. **CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION DOCKET # 15-RETI-02 INCLUDES POTENTIAL FOR PARTIAL SOUTHWEST POWERLINK CONVERSION FROM AC TO DC AT ESTIMATED COST OF $700-900 MILLION**: The Transmission Technical Input Group (TTIG) for the Renewable Energy Transmission Initiative 2.0 includes SDG&E’s proposal to increase import capacity on the Southwest Powerlink by 500-1,000 MW, and to reduce Local Capacity Requirements in the San Diego area, by converting portions of existing infrastructure (within existing right-of-way between Arizona and Miguel Substation near Bonita) from AC to High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) by 2025, as described on the last page of the TTIG’s Revised Interim Report dated June 21, 2016 posted: http://docketpublic.energy.ca.gov/PublicDocuments/15-RETI-02/TN211927_20160621T144839_Revised_Transmission_Technical_Input_Group_Interim_Report.pdf

G. **ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE IS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, @ BOULEVARD FIRE TRAINING ROOM.**

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