

Jamul-Dulzura

Community Planning Group Unincorporated County of San Diego

FINAL MINUTES

December 19, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:43 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Preston Brown, Kevin May, Michael Casinelli, Thomas Gray, Lisa Hodgson, Eve Nasby, Dan Neirinckx, Ed Mollen,

Guests: Corbin Sabol, Karren Parker, Dennis

Excused: Janet Mulder, Steve Wragg, Paul Dombrowski

Vacant Seats: 2, 9, 5

3. APPROVAL: Minutes for November 7, December 5, 2023

Motion passed unanimously

4. OPEN FORUM

- **Dan Neirinckx** reported that the residents living on Jamul Drive did not get notification of the fire that broke out on SR-94.
- **Eve Nasby** reported that on December 9th the house close to hers on 14655 Chaparral Slope hosted a party with over 100 people in attendance. It was very loud and numerous people called the Sheriff. When the Sheriff finally arrived, they shut down the party. This house is listed as an AirBNB and managed by “San Diego Vacay”. Parties are frequent at this house and loud and disruptive. There is also a guest house under a separate business name and has parties up to 150 people. The Sheriff has been called many times over the last year concerning this property. **Eve** stated, “I would like to encourage other Jamul residents to help protect our quiet neighborhoods, dark skies and report nuisances like these poorly managed and policed AirBNB properties.”
- **Michael Casinelli** said a house near his was being rented for wedding receptions and was booked almost every Friday and Saturday. It was shut down when complaints were filed and it turned out that the house was not permitted for this purpose.
- **Lisa Hodgson** contacted **Emmitt Aquino**, Parks and Recreation, about her neighbors in Lawson Valley being contacted to see if they may be interested in selling their property to the County. The County is apparently conducting a feasibility study with a grant in the amount of \$300K to create an Off-Road Park. 46 people attended the public zoom meeting. There is a “round table group” of 10 members. Our CPG was not notified of this meeting.
- **Michael** suggested that the Otay Lakes soccer field project did not go through because of opposition concerning noise and the traffic.

- **Lisa** said that they are conducting a survey across the entire County. The public meeting will be uploaded on YouTube. The public meeting was uploaded on YouTube. <https://www.sdparcs.org/content/sdparcs/en/park-pages/OffHighwayVehicles>
 - **Preston Brown** asked about the sale of the of the 3 parcels in Lawson Valley totaling 597 acres. Are they connected? **Lisa** said we do not know the intention of the private company (The Conservation Fund) that purchases the land but we believe it will be donated to the California Fish and Wildlife.
5. CANDIDATE TO FILL SEAT #5 VACANCY ON THE JAMUL-DULZURA CPG – VOTE
Kevin May said the Nominee, **Roy Dominguez**, was not ready at this time.
6. CANDIDATE TO FILL SEAT #2 VACANCY ON THE JAMUL-DULZURA CPG – VOTE
 Nominee, **Corbin Sabol**, introduced himself and said he is running for a job with the Central Committee of the San Diego Republican Party. He is retired from the Navy and has also worked for a local Navy contractor.
- **Michael Casinelli** asked how he envisioned the growth for the area of Jamul. How do you see our future? ANS: **Corbin** said he left the concrete world of the city behind for a reason. He like the country a lot. **Michael** asked if he was aware that we do not have sewers out here. We rely on septic systems and this has been a controversial issue for our community as it would be “growth inducing.” ANS: **Corbin** said he would be opposed to sewers.
 - **Dan Neirinckx** asked if he was aware of what the zoning is out here. **Corbin** stated he was not that familiar with it. **Dan** explained that the lot sizes change to very rural and become large. **Lisa Hodgson** suggest looking at the County Specific Plan for our area.
 - **Ed Mollen** asked if he has the time to devote to the group and would he be available for the entire 2-year term of his seat if her were elected to the Republican Party Committee. **Corbin** said he believed he could and that it would not interfere with this.
 - **Eve Nasby** asked what his top three skills were that would benefit the community. **Corbin** said he “cared” and he has a “good head” on his shoulders.
 - **Preston Brown** asked what part of Jamul he live in. **Corbin** said he lives up on Bear Mt. Road and he loves it here. **Preston** added this is a parliamentary type group that we do not do politics here. We have a diversity of points of view and just need to get things done dealing with any party.
 - Vote was unanimous for approval
7. REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT BY THE COUNTY FOR 2022 – 2023 EXPENSES
Preston requested approval for receipts from one year of Zoom expenses during the Covid period, a full page add in the Shopper for the for the Community Town Hall Meeting on November 3rd, 2002 and for “Happy Scribe” translation expenses. Total Expenses \$477.93.
Eve Nasby moved that we approve it.
Motion Passes unanimously.
8. APG (Association of Planning Groups)-SANDAG (San Diego Association of Governments)
 Paul Dombrowski is not here tonight but will attend the first meeting of the APG on January 10, 2023
9. JAMUL CASINO, HOTEL AND ENTERTAINMENT CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT

- **Kevin May** said he did not have any updates on the Batch Plant and that the grading plans are still in progress.
- **“Land to Trust” Congressional Bill H.R. 6443** for the Jamul Indian Village
Kevin said the Subcommittee on the Jamul Casino worked on the letter to Representative **Darrel Issa** requesting a meeting with our group. Letter has been sent and Representative **Juan Vargas** was copied as we have learned that he signed on as a “cosponsor “the day after the Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs Hearing on December 5, 2023. The Hearing may be viewed on YouTube.
<https://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=415214>
- The day after our regularly scheduled meeting on November 4, 2023, our subcommittee started working on a letter to the Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs, under the House Committee on Natural Resources, to respond directly to the presentations by Rep. Issa and Erica Pinto, Chairwoman of the Jamul Indian Village to this subcommittee on November 5, 2023 seeking approval for Congressional **Bill H.R. 6443**, also known as “The Jamul Indian Village Land Transfer Act”.
- **Karren Parker**, resident of Jamul, lives on Olive Vista Road said she knew the JIV had purchase the Simpson Farms Subdivision and knew of the “Land to Trust” Bill and is concerned about the future use of the property. She stated that utility workers were checking the meters of the residents. When asked why they were doing it, they were told they were hired by the JIV.
- **Dennis**...., resident of Jamul, said he wrote to **Rep. Issa** saying that he should follow the same guidelines as everyone else. He asked if anyone had contacted the media? **Preston** responded that, ‘It is difficult to get media attention because they depend on advertising dollars from the casinos. Said he will try to reach out to some news outlets.
- **Preston** read the “draft” letter addressed Chair Hageman of the Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs. Everyone thought it was well written. **Eve Nasby** moved that we approve this letter.
Motion passed unanimously
SEE ATTACHMENT I: JDCPG Letter to the Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs.

10. CPG OFFICER’S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS:

- San Diego County’s Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) fee waiver program for septic permits will end 1/9/2024. Questions: lwq duty.deh@sdcounty.ca.gov.
- Election of JDCPG Officers at next meeting: 1-2-2024.

11. ADJOURNMENT: 9:44 pm

ATTACHMENT I: JDCPG Letter to the Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs.

January 7, 2024

The Honorable Harriet Hageman
Chair of the Indian Affairs and Insular Subcommittee
House Committee on Natural Resources
1324 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: Bill HR 6443 introduced by Representative Darrell E. Issa to the House; The Indian and Insular Affairs Subcommittee, the House Committee on Natural Resources on Tuesday, December 5th, 2023

Dear Chair Hageman,

I. INTRODUCTION

To introduce ourselves, we are the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group. We are publicly elected to serve in the best interest of the community regarding land matters; and as representatives from our community, a subregion of the Unincorporated County of San Diego, it is our function to advise and assist the Director of Planning & Development Services, the Zoning Administrator, the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.

Our group discovered Bill HR 6443, as presented by Representative Darrell E. Issa, our district representative, hours before our regularly scheduled meeting on December 5, 2023. We watched your Subcommittee Hearing online the following day. In advance, we thank you for allowing us to respond and participate in the democratic process held by this House Subcommittee.

While we support the goals of the Biden Administration to enhance the opportunities for Native Americans with land acquisitions, we do object to the means for achieving this with a Bill through this Subcommittee and the Congress of the United States. It bypasses the Federally recognized process for reviewing “Land to Trust” applications which denies local governments a chance to evaluate the impacts on local communities and long-term land use planning goals for the County. Also concerning, combining four distinct and separate land parcels together into one legislative act obscures the context of the geographical relationships of the Jamul Indian Village (JIV)/Jamul Casino with these parcels and the community it will impact.

Bill HR 6443 is extremely incomplete. It contains no explanations for the choices for the fragmented and disconnected parcels, and it is void of any specificity and commitments as to how the land will be used, except for stating they will not use the land for additional Class II and Class III gaming, which is already a regulation in IGRA. Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto shared her aspirations for tribal housing on the 161 acres of parcel #1 in her presentation, but the Bill does not “state this use” nor does it limit the possibility of commercial expansion of gaming related facilities like event and entertainment centers that support and enhance the gaming business model of the Jamul Casino on any of the four parcels.

Within the Department of the Interior (DOI), The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has the ability and to manage and judge “Land to Trust” acquisitions and make determinations subject to the Governor’s concurrence. When there are conflicts with local communities and land use, the policy dictates that BIA field offices will consult with local governments to understand how a tribal land acquisition will affect neighboring communities and also how to consider avoiding jurisdictional conflicts. Bill HR-6443 completely bypasses the consultation process, which could give rise to agreements that could result in resolutions of local land use issues. In addition, this Bill sidelines the role of the California Governor to participate in discussions with the Tribe and reach agreements in harmony with the State Compact.

Strangely enough, the Jamul Casino, built in 2016 on the four acres of JIV land by Penn National Gaming, the 4th developer, was not mentioned once in the Bill nor in the presentations by Representative Darrell E. Issa or Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto. The 203,130 square Foot (SF), four-story Jamul Casino with a 69,262 SF gaming hall and an “occupancy capacity” of 5,500, remains a ghost in the background of the arguments for this Bill that is meant for the benefit of the 13 original families that occupied that land since 1981.

This is a very incomplete picture, and our Community Planning Group would like to contribute our point of view for your consideration.

II. CONTEXT

A. Unique Geographical Characteristics of the JIV

Indian casinos, resort and entertainment facilities are usually built on reservations with large land areas. As a distinct and separate entity, tribes can effectively manage control of the land area and the visiting public with tribal police. They can also effectively manage and plan for firebreaks, fuel modification zones in high-brush vegetation areas, create safe refuge areas and ensure alternate evacuation routes in the event of wildland fires. None of these elements of control are available to the Jamul Casino, which was built on two of the four-acre Village and completed in 2016. The 5,600-acre Rancho Jamul Ecological Reserve (RJER), managed by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), borders the four-acre strip of land on the south side.

State Route 94 (SR-94), a two-lane rural highway designated as “Historic and Scenic Highway” borders it on the east side. Across SR-94 to the east lies the Hollenbeck Canyon Wildlife Area (HCWA), also (CDFW), with 6,100 acres reaching down the valley alongside of the RJER and extending eastward. The town of Jamul lies directly to the north, expanding both to the west and east of SR-94.

Jamul is a rural residential community of one to two-acre lots, a town center, four schools, three churches and a population of 5,776. Being hemmed in geographically means that all of the problems of managing large amounts of people and their traffic will spill out immediately onto the highway and into the community. Under these circumstances, with a small amount of land, the JIV proposed in September of 2022, (and currently under construction), a new entertainment and event center of an additional 35,038 SF, and a 25,330 SF 16 story 225 room hotel with 37,264 SF of amenities, and a new parking garage for an additional 225 spaces. All this planned without having completed the traffic mitigations for SR-94 agreed to in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the basis for the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), signed with the County in 2016. The JIV leadership has clearly set its sights on commercial expansion on the remaining 2 acres at the expense of housing, health centers, tribal educational centers and other resources for the 13 families that formerly comprised the Jamul Indian Village.

Our community meets with some distrust the visions of Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto, as expressed in your Hearing, to bring “Land into Trust” solely for the benefit of community housing for tribal members. None of the four parcels selected for this transfer are related to each other in a predictable or thematic way, and two parcels are “non-contiguous.” The Congress and Federal Agencies have traditionally practiced the guiding principle of maintaining “contiguous” land acquisitions for Tribes, and with good reason. It creates stability in land use and prevents leap-frogging of commercial enterprises, which could conflict with the existing land use and long-term planning goals of established communities.

B. Crime and Gaming Towns

Gambling corporations that do business in states like Nevada, where gambling is legal, work very closely with law enforcement agencies locally and with the FBI. They cooperate to not only keep the gaming halls, hotel and resort areas safe for customers, but also to police the streets that network with the main strip. Beyond that, law enforcement works to contain festivities and their disruptive elements from spilling over into neighborhoods of single-family residents. The large crowd aspect of gambling and entertainment can provide a cover or cloak for illegal activity and attract a less than desirable element; that if it is unmanaged will have immediate negative impacts felt by local residents.

On November 3, 2022, in response to the JIV's proposal of its Draft Tribal Environmental Impact Report (DTEIR) for a new Event and Entertainment Center, Hotel and new parking structure, our Subcommittee held a town hall meeting at our Primary School auditorium with hundreds of people in attendance. The two topics discussed were the unbearable, at times, increase in traffic and the ever-increasing amount of crime in their neighborhood. To get an idea of the proximity of the Jamul Casino to the neighborhoods on its northern boundary, customers will park and use drugs or drink and then walk to the casino to avoid parking onsite where they could be identified by their license plates. These surrounding neighborhoods no longer feel safe.

The level of frustration is very high. The response times of the Sheriff are very slow. Property still owned by the Penn National Gaming, the developer of the Jamul Casino, was occupied for many months by a rowdy homeless group using its proximity to the casino for prostitution and drug sales. For months, the Sheriff Department could not take action, as it was private property, but were finally able to obtain authorization. Since that time, our planning group has formed a "Public Safety Subcommittee on Emergency Evacuation, Traffic and Crime." Last April, we met with then Captain Matthew Glisson, San Diego Sheriff Department-Rancho San Diego Command, and since then with his replacement, Captain Amber Baggs. We have also spoken with Captain Mike Vargas of the California Highway Patrol District Office in El Cajon. Compiling statistical data to verify a need for additional resources is a difficult process. Only then, can the Sheriff Department apply through the County for additional funds for specific area problems. In the meantime, the only option for residents is to hire private security that can work with local volunteers.

In a gambling state like Nevada, law enforcement agencies work hand in hand with the gaming corporations. In California, there is a divide of essentially two countries with distinct jurisdictions. With the typical geographic conditions of Indian Casinos with larger land holdings in more remote areas, tribal police can effectively control the public much the way a theme park does with clearly demarcated and restricted areas. The conditions here in Jamul are entirely different where the community immediately feels the direct negative impacts from the large volume of crowds needed to sustain a gaming organization.

In seeking land further into the town center on fragmented parcels, Jamul will increasingly resemble a gambling town in Nevada that is literally on the main strip, in this case SR-94. This creates an enormous challenge for law enforcement to provide a security buffer zone between the casino and the town. Jamul is witnessing the Jamul Casino that was originally presented to the County and sold to the public as a casino that will "blend seamlessly into the landscape," morph into what has now become a full-blown Las Vegas style presentation with a 224-foot tall hotel functioning as a sign that rises above the height of the western hills.

The aeronautical study conducted by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has determined that the hotel structure, which is in the “Overflight Notification Zone,” does not exceed obstruction standards, but it is requiring the hotel to be “marked/lighted” with red lights meeting FAA standards for “Obstruction Marking and Lighting.” This outcome conflicts with all previous agreements with the County to comply with its “dark skies” policy and will degrade decades of conservation efforts to protect and encourage wildlife habitation in nocturnal linkages.

The Jamul Casino is topographically situated in the middle of the Jamul Valley that is part of a region that is the most biodiverse in the continental United States. The RJER, the “prized jewel” of the CFW is....

“an important component of the Multiple Species Conservation Program (MSCP) multi-habitat preserve system in southwestern San Diego. The MSCP is a subregional plan under the auspices of the State’s Natural Community Conservation Planning program. Numerous public ownerships connect to provide a large core area of conserved land.”

[California Fish and Wildlife < https://wildlife.ca.gov/Lands/Places-to-Visit/Rancho-Jamul-ER >](https://wildlife.ca.gov/Lands/Places-to-Visit/Rancho-Jamul-ER)

California’s RJER and HCWA are both contiguous with the Jamul Indian Village /Jamul Casino. New proposals for expansion of commercial entertainment will have very long-term damaging impacts on this very sensitive and threatened collection of ecosystems. Goals to cooperate with the State of California and San Diego County in supporting and protecting these grand conservation efforts were not expressed during the presentation to your Subcommittee nor referred to in the Bill itself.

C. Traffic Impacts on the SR-94 “Lifeline” for the Jamul Community

Wildland fires have burned through our backcountry many times, from the high chaparral to the coastal grass rich valleys, causing destruction of homes and loss of life. All of the Jamul-Dulzura region is designated as either a High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (HFHSZ) or a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ). SR-94 winds its way past the Jamul Casino south-east down to the Border crossing of Tecate, Mexico. Tecate is an alternative route for international travel to bypass the very congested crossing in Tijuana. Jamul feels the brunt of this change in daily commercial trucking and international commutes along with the added vehicle trips per day to the Jamul Casino which has surpassed 13,000, on a Saturday average. The residents of Jamul have experienced first-hand the sudden gridlock from a simple accident or the frequent fires that flare up along the roadside, backing up cars for 10 miles along SR-94 in an area that is vulnerable to fire entrapment. In traffic gridlock, emergency services have great difficulty in responding on SR-94.

The rapid expansion of commercial gaming and related industries cannot continue in the Jamul Valley without very significant mitigation for highway improvements from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the County government and the JIV. Yet eight years later, since the opening of the Jamul Casino, four of the promised and negotiated highway intersection improvements in the IGA of 2016 with the County have not been started. A key junction point, which has not changed since the 1930's, is the misaligned intersection of Otay Lakes Road and Honey Springs with SR-94. Otay Lakes Road is a two-lane County highway and the sole gateway to the backcountry for the high-density coastal communities of East Lake, the City of Chula Vista and the South Bay, from which the Jamul Casino derives roughly 40% of its casino patrons. Caltrans has maintained that the only solution for this very dangerous and obsolete intersection is a 25-million-dollar roundabout. The JIV has only committed 1.1 million dollars. Negotiations continue. With increasing commercial development and no major infrastructure investment by either the County, the State or the JIV, SR-94 is fast becoming a major public safety hazard. Approving "Land to Trust" acquisitions through legislative means would sever the ability of local governments to negotiate any real mitigations for what Jamul considers its lifeline for daily survival.

The San Diego County Sheriff Department is responsible for directing traffic during any emergency evacuation. Their necessary preparation is to know the "maximum occupancy" of buildings and to understand the capacity of roads to handle evacuations. The study performed by Rhode Associates at the request of the San Diego County Fire Authority for the Jamul Casino's "FIRE AND EMERGENCY PLAN," determined that the "maximum allowable occupancy" was 5,500 people. They have not updated this analysis for the newly proposed Event and Entertainment Center and Hotel which could add an additional 3,000 or more people for a total occupancy of approximately 9,000. The JIV is proceeding with construction on this project, despite not being able to inform the Sheriff Department of the total number of people they may be required to evacuate. By merely stating that the casino patrons "can shelter in place" in a wildland fire emergency assures no one of safety as it ignores the possibility of mechanical failure of new and untested systems for moveable walls proposed for the event center and floor to ceiling windows in a 224-foot tall hotel. A breakdown in mechanical systems or fire intrusion through the ventilation system would force an evacuation. A strategy of "shelter in place" is "non-enforceable." This is another link in the chain of strategies where failure can occur. The expectation to meet the standard level of protection for any project by predetermining an occupancy rating should be the same on "fee land" as for "sovereign land."

In the presentation to your Subcommittee, Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto stated that the JIV would build a Sheriff Station. We are glad to hear the leadership of the JIV and the Jamul Casino recognizes a need for additional law enforcement to manage the increase in criminal activity in Jamul, but the two proposals offered for this contradict each other. In the Final Tribal

Environmental Impact Report (FTEIR) for the Casino Expansion Project submitted last December of 2022, it states, “...*the tribal security department or police station on the four-acre parcel east of Daisy Drive is a separate project subject to permitting and approvals by the County of San Diego.*” In appealing to your Subcommittee to bring this parcel into trust, Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto said she would build a Sheriff Station. This is impossible on “sovereign land.” If new sovereign land were approved, the expansion project as proposed in the FTEIR will be altered and revised without the ability of any public review and participation.

III. ALTERNATIVES

A. Land Choices

More logical and actual alternatives exist for contiguous land acquisition for the Jamul Indian Village for tribal housing, health, educational and historical centers. Lakes Gaming Inc. from Minnesota, the 3rd would be developer for the JIV, purchased 86 acres that is contiguous to the Village and to the west and northern edge of the Proctor Valley neighborhood. Why is the JIV choosing to expand in a scattered and disconnected fashion to areas farther away from its historical center? This makes no sense. In addition, Penn National Gaming, the 4th and final developer that built the Jamul Casino, originally called the “Hollywood Casino,” acquired 10 acres that is contiguous to the 86 acres across Melody Road and is available for residential development. The JIV could acquire this land as Penn National Gaming no longer has a management contract with the casino. A few years ago, the JIV purchased (Parcel 1), the Simpson Farms property that was approved by the County for 96 residential homes on 1-2-acre plots, for 15 million dollars. This money could have contributed to tribal housing on land they already own that their developers acquired for them.

B. Cemetery Parcel #4

The St. Francis Xavier Cemetery proposed “land transfer act” poses some complications for this Bill. An attempted transfer of the Title Deed by the San Diego Dioceses Bishop to the JIV or any other entity becomes automatically “void” by a legal challenge of a “Fraudulent Conveyance” lawsuit under the California Civil Code. In addition, this parcel is burdened by an easement for public access established in 1912 by the Bishop when the Church purchased this land. Converting this parcel to “sovereign land” would conflict with this public right for access. The local St. Pius X Catholic Church in Jamul has successfully managed this historic cemetery.

[Jamul Indian Village < https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/local-history/story/2019-07-31/from-the-archives-jamul-indian-village-grew-at-cemetery-site>](https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/local-history/story/2019-07-31/from-the-archives-jamul-indian-village-grew-at-cemetery-site)

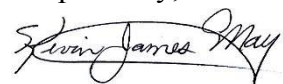
IV. CONCLUSION

Overriding the traditional and legal process to handle “Land to Trust” acquisition for Tribes with a minimalist and vague piece of legislation denies the ability for discussion and negotiation between tribes, local governments and communities, and the Governor. Bill HR 6443 does not live up to the ideal of building “*nation to nation ties.*” Bill HR 6443 is a hasty, ill-conceived plan for the following reasons.

1. It circumvents the Federally recognized process for “Land to Trust” acquisitions.
2. It denies the ability to assess each parcel on its individual merits.
3. It lacks the specificity for the use of the “non-contiguous” parcels.
4. No justification is offered for breaking from the long-standing precedent to acquire “contiguous” land.
5. It exposes the lack of debate and consideration for the choices of parcels to be acquired when other more logical choices of “contiguous” lands are available.
6. It avoids any recognition of the current legal entanglements that would prevent a land transfer of the cemetery and chapel parcel.
7. The context issues of the unique geography of the Jamul Indian Village and its relationship with its surroundings is critical to understand the challenges the community of Jamul now faces in adapting to functioning with the expanding gaming-related industries of event and entertainment centers.
8. No effort is made to coordinate with the State’s Natural Community Conservation Planning program.
9. Approving a “Land to Trust” acquisition, in this instance, would set a NEW PRECEDENT for evading the traditional role of the BIA and the DOI in negotiating and resolving conflicts.

There are many layers beneath the first cursory glance that was offered to your Subcommittee during the 10 minutes of presentation on December 5th, 2023. Our Community Planning Group stands ready and willing to meet with your Subcommittee and discuss this in an open forum with you at any time.

Respectfully,



Kevin James May

Chair, Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group

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President of the United States, Joseph R. Biden, 46th President

House Committee on Natural Resources and the Indian Affairs and Insular Subcommittee

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Jamul Indian Village and Jamul Casino, Erica M. Pinto, Chairwoman

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Association of Community Planning Group*

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 2, 2024 @ 7:30 pm.

**Jamul-Dulzura Union School District - Jamul Education Center
14581 Lyons Valley Road, Jamul, CA 91935**

Hybrid Meeting: Both In-Person and Zoom Attendance

Meeting Minutes and Agendas can be accessed

<http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/CommunityGroups.html>

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**JAMUL DULZURA
COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
MISSION STATEMENT**

"The mission of the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group is to represent the best interests of the communities of Jamul and Dulzura while adhering to County of San Diego, California Board of Supervisors Policy I-1."

PURPOSE STATEMENT

The purpose of the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group is:

- *To provide a public forum where local citizens can learn about issues of importance to them and their community and provide input.*
- *To carefully consider all input when advising the county on such issues as planning, land use, discretionary projects, and community and sub-regional plans.*