

Jamul – Dulzura

Community Planning Group

Jamul-Dulzura Union School District

Jamul Education Center 14581 Lyons Valley Road,
Jamul, CA 91935

FINAL MINUTES

Meeting Date: **February 4, 2025**

1. Call to Order at 7:08 pm
2. Roll Call: Chair Lisa Hodgson, Vice Chair Paul Dombkowski, Courtney Etnyre, Preston Brown, Janet Mulder, Thomas Gray, David Imrie, Darla Kasmedo, Kevin May, John McClure, Ed Mollon, Eve Nasby
Absent: Steve Wragg
Excused: Michael Casinelli, Lucille Hargraves
3. Approval of Minutes for **January 21, 2025**
 - Approval **tabled** until **February 18th** meeting
4. Open Forum

- **Lucille Hargraves** appointment has been approved by the BOS. She attended Community Planning Group Training so she is now seated.
- **STACK Jamul Fence**, SD County PDS sent a scoping letter to Talyer Shakoski. “Planning & Development Services (PDS) has reviewed the application for an Administrative Permit and has provided him with the attached package of information as a guide for further processing the application. A list of project issue(s) were identified during the project scoping These issue(s) may require substantial redesign of the proposed project or, if not resolved, would result in a recommendation for project denial by PDS.” There is no action for the JDCPG at this time.
- **Re: Firewise Community:**

Firewise USA Site Recognition - Crest Northeast has become the first community in their subregion to receive official recognition as a Firewise USA site and the 11th such site in San Diego County by the National Fire Protection Agency. This recognition marks a significant step forward in enhancing wildfire preparedness and resilience for residents in Crest Northeast.

The Firewise USA Program provides a framework to help communities reduce wildfire risks by implementing proactive mitigation efforts and fostering collaboration among residents, fire agencies, and emergency management organizations. Communities that earn the Firewise USA designation commit to reducing wildfire hazards through education, defensible space initiatives and proactive home hardening measures.

Benefits to residents of Firewise USA sites include increased wildfire safety where Firewise USA communities develop strategies to minimize fire risks, making them better prepared to withstand and recover from wildfires; community collaboration that fosters strong relationships between residents, local fire departments and emergency services to enhance coordinated wildfire response efforts; potential insurance benefits as some insurance providers recognize Firewise USA communities and may offer policy discounts for homes in designated areas; and access to expert wildfire mitigation experts to include resources and best practices to strengthen their resilience.

Going forward, the Jamul Fire Safe Council is now working with two Jamul communities to achieve this same Firewise USA site recognition. These communities include Wood Valley and Lyons Creek. At our upcoming March 18th Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group Meeting, the Jamul Fire Safe Council will be reviewing progress they have made with Wood Valley and Lyons Creek in achieving Firewise USA site recognition as well as the steps other Jamul and Dulzura communities can start taking to gain the Firewise USA designation. Come on out to our March 18th meeting either in person or through Zoom to learn more!

Genasys - San Diego Regional Public Safety agencies have come together to announce that all emergency alerting and mapping will be managed by Genasys EVAC. This technology will help emergency managers and dispatchers send out more precise location alerts during an evacuation and help keep San Diegans safe and informed during an emergency. Residents are strongly encouraged to sign up for Genasys alerts to receive timely emergency notifications. Registration is simple and can be done online at AlertSanDiego - <https://www.alertssandiego.org/en-us.html>; **select Genasys Protect link.** You will be able to customize your alert preferences, i.e. type of alerts and mode of communication.

- **Cannabis EIR:** the County of San Diego Planning & Development Services (PDS) is pleased to announce that the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) and draft ordinances for the proposed Socially Equitable Cannabis Program (Cannabis Program) are available for public review in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.
- The Notice of Availability and draft documents can be viewed on the County's [CEQA Public Review website](#). Printed copies can be viewed at the PDS Project Processing Counter (5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 110, San Diego, CA 92123) and at County library branches. The closest one to Jamul and Dulzura is Rancho San Diego, 11555 Via Rancho San Diego, El Cajon, CA 92019

The Draft EIR identifies and studies potential impacts to the environment from the proposed Cannabis Program, while evaluating ways to avoid or reduce impacts. The draft ordinances include proposed revisions to the County's Regulatory Code and Zoning Ordinance to establish where and how cannabis businesses may operate.

To review and submit comments on the Draft EIR and draft ordinances, please visit: [Cannabis Program Engagement Portal](#). Comments may also be submitted via

email to PDS.LongRangePlanning@sdcountry.ca.gov or mailed to the attention of Jessica Norton at the County of San Diego PDS, 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 210, San Diego CA, 92123.

Comments are **due by March 31, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.**

Virtual Meetings on:

- February 5, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
- February 6, 2025, 6:00 p.m.
- February 12, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

Zoom Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84368497586?pwd=RVAZurGJyguieIv4Mo2Ik_uqgRq1zob.1

In-Person Open Houses

- February 25, 2025, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Lakeside County Library, 12428 Woodside Avenue, Lakeside, CA 92040
- February 26, 2025, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Valley Center County Library, 29200 Cole Grade Road, Valley Center, CA 92082

- **Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)**

San Diego County Department of Public Works (DPW) requests our participation in identifying and prioritizing a list of capital improvement and maintenance projects for the county-maintained assets in the unincorporated areas of the county. Project may be related to safety, capacity, accessibility, and operations. Types include:

- Road Reconstruction/Reconfiguration/New Roads
- Bridges Repair/Reconstruction
- Sidewalks/Pathways/Pedestrian Access Ramps
- Drainage
- Intersection Improvements
- Road Resurfacing
- Our Role: Using the attached Project Request Form, compile a list of ten capital projects and ten road resurfacing requests that we deem most critical. Return completed lists by March 30th, 2025 via email. *Darla Kasmedo lead*

- **Local Agency Management Program (LAMP)**,

Over the past two years, the Department of Environmental Health and Quality, Land Use Team conducted a comprehensive evaluation and update of the 2015 Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) and San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances related to Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems and Improper Disposal of Sewage. Link:

https://links-2.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fcodelibrary.amlegal.com%2Fcodes%2Fsan_diego%2Flatest%2Fsandiego_regs%2F0-0-0-130318/1/01010194bf0c2cfb-4a53ece0-1cf9-45f6-9675-e6f8528dfe2c-000000/-Kmh9BuZmJp19QuGNfB3KxfYbKGSSA8gp0E6jdRYh9c=390

The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board unanimously approved Resolution R9-2024-0130

Hot Link here:

https://links-2.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fwww.waterboards.ca.gov%2Fsandiego%2Fboard_decisions%2Fadopted_orders%2F2024%2Fr9_2024_0130.pdf/1/01010194bf0c2cfb-4a53ece0-1cf9-45f6-9675-e6f8528dfe2c-000000/SEiJ_CZLzE3fvYsoFQUUiK2iuDraxUuQ8hAswKwKs6E=390 for San Diego County's 2025 LAMP on November 13, 2024, and it will go into effect on February 1, 2025.

The Department of Environmental Health and Quality Land Use Program created new and/or updated program procedures and forms to assist with future septic system layout submissions. They can be found on their website Hot Link here: https://links-2.govdelivery.com/CL0/https:%2F%2Fwww.sandiegocounty.gov%2Fcontent%2Fsdc%2Fdeh%2Fhwqd%2Fflu_septic_systems.html/1/01010194bf0c2cfb-4a53ece0-1cf9-45f6-9675-e6f8528dfe2c-000000/lboJA5zJranicA8vzaY-rmTuBugSeBn34tv3uJnKuw=390 or Septic Systems.

If you have any questions about this update or would like to verify which forms need to be submitted for your project as part of the new LAMP requirements, please email our team at LWQDduty@sdcounty.ca.gov

5. Letterhead Format for Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group
Survey distributed in the Jamul Shopper requesting designs for the JDCPG logo.
Distribution of JDCPG logo survey to be sent to the world distribution email list.
6. Wildfire Evacuation Tour with SANDAG and CALTRANS- Highway 94

Vice Chair Paul Dombkowski, APG's Lead Rep will be attending SANDAG's Public Safety Policy Advisory Committee Meeting on February 21st as a member of the public as he has not yet been voted on by SANDAG's Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

New SANDAG Board of Directors has now been elected for 2025. The new Chair is Lisa Heebner, City of Solana Beach; Vice Chair is Joe Lacava, City of San Diego; 2nd Vice Chair is John Minto, City of Santee.

At recent SANDAG January Board Meetings Jan 10, 24, and 31, the 500K+ residents of the Unincorporated Area had no voting representation as the County Board of Supervisors were absent. Note that our APG reps are non-voting at this time - likely their absence is due to Nora Vargas' departure as District 1 Supervisor and SANDAG Board of Directors Chair.

Progress is being made with evacuation/emergency improvements now planned for SR-67. Plan is to add four outbound lanes from Ramona to Lakeside and one inbound lane into Ramona for emergency vehicles. Discussion around SR-94 improvements was also made to potentially add temporary lanes out of Jamul into Rancho San Diego wherever possible. **Vice Chair Paul Dombkowski**, representing the Jamul-Dulzura Community Planning Group, is to follow-up with Caltrans on this emergency evacuation improvement.

Ed Mollon also added that the County had proposed in the past adding bike lanes along SR-94. The CPG's consensus is that this initiative, if implemented, would rule out any

future financing for SR-94 road expansion to support wildfire and emergency evacuation efforts.

7. Association of Planning Groups (APG)

Vice Chair Paul Dombkowski (JDCPG representative) is actively working with Jake Stelten, CalTrans SR-94 Project Manager and Tyler Hicks, CalTrans, to progress action items discussed during the recent SR-94 Wildfire and Emergency Evacuation Tour. Both Jake Stelten and Tyler Hicks confirmed that fuel reduction is one of the top priorities for SR-94, to include brush clearing and overhanging tree limb trimming from Rancho San Diego to the SR-188 Tecate turnoff. Current efforts to reduce fuel have been slowed as CalTrans Environmental is still analyzing a large number of cultural sites along SR-94 to ensure their preservation going forward. As soon as this analysis is completed, brush clearing and tree trimming work will begin. Additionally, issues around loop detection light technology freezing due to glare are being investigated by CalTrans' Signal Operations Group. Lastly, to improve overall safety, final details are now being worked out to add a green arrow turn light at Lyons Valley Rd as you turn right onto SR-94.

Chair Lisa Hodgson - not asking to widen 94. Asking for a temporary solution for an emergency evacuation.

Janet Mulder - If bike lanes are added (\$105 million). The county would not finance road expansion for evacuation.

Thomas Gray - the fire trucks during the border fire were lined up in the parking lot.

8. Draft Letter to Honorable Darrell Issa, et al requesting meeting to discuss ENTERTAINMENT CENTER AND HOTEL resulting from the "JAMUL INDIAN LAND TRANSFER ACT" H.R. 6443, Bill sponsored by Honorable Darrel E. Issa (R-CA-48), and associated Senate Bill S 3857, sponsored by California Senator Alex Padilla

Vice Chair Paul Dombkowski - Status of letter sent. No response to date. Thank you from the County of San Diego for the letter to Representative Darrel E. Issa. **Eve Nasby** has a contact to assist in meeting with Issa.

Janet Mulder suggested connecting with Issa's office and placing pressure on his office.

9. Jamul Casino Hotel and Entertainment Center Expansion Project (Lead: Preston Brown/Casino Hotel and Enter Center Sub-com)

Darla Kasmedo is drafting a letter with members of the community regarding its Dark Skies complaint status

10. Jamul Shopper

Chair Lisa Hodgson - request regarding the time listed on the meeting updated to 7 pm

11. Community Grant Program

Department of Public Works is requesting input on prioritizing capital improvement and maintenance projects for county-maintained assets - Project Request Form due March 30, 2025. **Dan Neirinckx** is available to show the location of a PROPOSED NEW park located near Oak Grove behind the elementary school.

Darla Kasmedo - the survey is in the Shopper and Facebook. As of Monday, no one took the survey.

Kevin May - has taken the survey

Darla Kasmedo - will bring the survey results to the next meeting.

Eve Nasby - the QR code works.

12. Capital Improvement Project

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13. JDCPG Officer's Announcements and Reports:

- Form 700 Electronic Filing
- **Chair Lisa Hodgson** to get an updated list regarding who needs training.
- Dulzura Community Meeting Feb 8, 2025, 6:00 pm at 1136 Community Building Rd
 - **Chair Lisa Hodgson, Preston Brown, and Ed Mollen** will be attending.
- Electric System Hardening notifications: Granite Oaks Rd, Sierra Cielo Ln, Honey Springs Rd, Via Laura, Mother Grundy Truck Trl, Deerhorn Valley Rd, Bratton Valley Rd, Turmeric Wy, Spice Wy, Via Pamela -Mailed 1/15/25. Work is expected to last 2-8 weeks once started.

Darla Kasmedo *remarked that the traffic light of the time is delayed at the school and the Steele Canyon.*

14. Review of Action Items:

- ☐ *Open notes to **Courtney Etnyre***
- ☐ *The agenda item to review comments to place advertisements in March.
Advertisement for the second meeting of FIREWISE in March.*
- ☐ *Hot Link: New Cannabis Program to Address Inequity in Unincorporated Area | News | San Diego County News Center updated information for CPG's consideration.*
- ☐ ***Darla Kasmedo** updated correspondence regarding Light Pollution with respect to Jamul Casino*
- ☐ *Letterhead announcement to WORLD LIST survey*
- ☐ *Park survey sent to the world list.*
- ☐ ***Vice Chair Paul Dombkowski** sent a letter regarding timing on lights and temporary outbound lanes on HWY 94*
- ☐ *Create a contact list of JDCPG printed for members*

15. Adjournment 9:20 pm

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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. APPROVED 5/12/2020.*