

**JAMUL DULZURA COMMUNITY PLANING GROUP
FINAL MINUTES**

May 23, 2017

**APPROVED JUNE 13, 2017
Oak Grove Middle School Library
7:30 p.m.**

1. **Bill Herde, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.**
2. **ROLL CALL :**
Present: Michael Casinelli, Bill Herde, Dan Neirinckx, George Novinger, Preston Brown, Jean Strouf, Randy White Joe Stuyvesant, Eileen Poole, Richard Marzec
Excused: Janet Mulder, Hannah Gbeh, Judy Bohlen, and Steve Wragg.
Absent: Earl Katzer,
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA for May 23, 2017, and the Final Minutes of the JDCPG May 9, 2017 meeting with corrections as mailed. Approved unanimously.**
4. **OPEN FORUM** – Opportunity for persons to speak on items not on the agenda
 - a. Community member, **Steve Albrecht**, asked the status of a lot split near his home. **Dan Neirinckx** replied that that particular parcel had a time extension automatically added to the application. The extension was subsequently withdrawn due to the fact that the permit was approved as originally submitted in 2011, i.e., a subdivision into 5 lots. (Reference: TPM-20802 TIME EXTENSION, APN 596-152-67-00.)
 - b. **Eileen Poole** stated that Steele Canyon High School would be holding their graduation ceremony on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 5:45 PM on the Steele Canyon Football Field. As in prior years, expect extreme traffic delays on Campo Road prior to and following the ceremony. Also, please drive cautiously if you are using Campo Road as there are many pedestrians walking to and from their cars. It is suggested that if possible, vehicles use Willow Glen, Steele Canyon Drive and Jamul Road as a detour from 3:30 PM to 8:30 PM on June 8 to avoid the traffic.
 - c. **Jean Strouf** announced that the Rancho San Diego Sherriff’s Station is holding a “Coffee with the Community” event on Thursday, June 29 from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM at the Rancho San Diego Branch Library, 11555 Via Rancho Road. This is an opportunity to meet and engage with the San Diego County Sherriff’s Department. There will be a chance for attendees to ask questions, voice concerns and get to know the deputies who patrol our neighborhoods.
 - d. **George Novinger** will not be able to attend the next JDCPG meeting. He announced that the original owners of Habanero’s Mexican Grill are planning to re-open a restaurant at the old California Sol location on June 1. Also, the County pulled Bright Valley Farms off the market. The County is interested in keeping the property as an equine facility.

5. County road improvements using JIV MOU funding. Discussion to review proposed safety enhancements and current status with DPW and prepare recommendations based on community input.

Michael Casinelli informed the group that he spoke with **Murali**, County Traffic Division, and that **Murali** offered to attend this meeting. Michael modified the offer to having Murali available by phone during the meeting, if needed. Also, he reported that the County installed 42 temporary traffic counters on our community roads recently to measure the impact of casino traffic but that a handful of them didn't function properly and therefore is recounting at those locations. He will have the counts available to us soon, which can then be compared to the baseline data recorded Spring 2016, six months prior to casino operations commencement.

Steve Wragg sent two photos showing the sight distance problems at Peg Leg Mine Road and Lyons Valley Road. We sent them to **Murali Pasumarthi** at San Diego County.

Randy White suggested that the group invite CalTrans to one of our meetings to present a timeline for improvement projects along State Route 94.

(Please see attached spreadsheet for recommendations and comments to be forwarded to Murali Pasumarthi at San Diego County.)

6. Jamul Indian Village Update

Richard Marzec reported seeing a significant increase in graffiti and alcohol mini-bar bottles in his neighborhood since the casino opened. There is also a significant increase in the number of people hanging out at the ARCO station. He noted that many signs on Proctor Valley Road has been tagged and double-tagged with graffiti. Some culverts running under the roads have also been tagged. These problems are escalating.

Michael Casinelli complained that there was no advance warning of the Friday-Saturday-Sunday lane closures on State Route 94 in front of the casino that caused such traffic delays for the whole community.

7. JDCPG Officer's Announcements and Reports

Richard Marzec and **Michael Casinelli** gave an update on the Gate Fire. 2,056 acres were scorched. One Chula Vista police officer was seriously injured while directing traffic. It seems to have started on federal BLM land. There is a criminal investigation on-going.

8. Scheduled Subcommittee Meetings. None currently scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT: Bill adjourned the meeting at 9:01.

Thanks to Eileen Poole for taking the notes for this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Mulder, Secretary

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, June 13, 2017

OAK GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY

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

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SEE ATTACHMENT – IMPACTS FROM JIV TO SR-94 FEEDER ROADS

Impacts from JIV to SR-94 & Feeder Roads				
Segment / Intersection	Impact	County Review/Project	Community Input	Status
<i>Steele Canyon Road(Willow Glen Drive to Jamul Drive)</i>	Direct Impact from additional traffic needs to be fully mitigated.	Capacity improvements to Bridge and road segment	Already above capacity before & after Jamacha Elem school dropoffs & pickups. Need to add additional lanes to accommodate traffic.	<i>\$750,000 for the Steele Canyon Road Fair Share Improvement. Status: Project is currently at the 50% design stage with environmental certification process set to begin this spring 2017.</i>
<i>Steele Canyon Road(SR-94 to Willow Glen Drive)</i>	Direct Impact from additional traffic needs to be fully mitigated.			
<i>Jamul Drive (Lyons Valley Road to Steele Canyon Road)</i>	Direct Impact from additional traffic needs to be fully mitigated.	No proposed project	Will be used as a alternative detour to avoid traffic congestion on SR 94 and <u>must</u> be widened. Very curvy	

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			and narrow – bicyclists exacerbate the problem	
<i>Willow Glen Drive to SR-54</i>	Direct Impact from additional traffic needs to be fully mitigated.	No proposed project	Also services Sycuan Casino – needs additional lanes as is already at capacity.	
<i>SR-94 / Vista Sage Road</i>	Intersection Impacted, no turnout area.	Site Distance Improvements	Needs continuous left turn lane on SR 94 westbound and eastbound or at minimum left turn lane westbound. Many accidents!	\$1,100,000 - Caltrans Intersection Improvements This project should receive the highest priority. #1
<i>SR-94 / Vista Diego Road</i>	Intersection Impacted, no turnout area.	Site Distance Improvements, grading and retaining wall	Needs left turn lane on SR 94 eastbound plus additional acceleration lane going westbound.	\$1,100,000 - Caltrans Intersection Improvements This project should receive the second highest priority #2
<i>SR-94 / Honey Springs & Otay Lakes Road</i>	Intersections not improved, off-set intersection with impact from project. Eastbound to Northbound sight visibility constrained.	Signalize intersection, Site Distance Improvements	Must coordinate the two offset intersections or re-configure them to meet and signalize the intersection.	\$1,100,000 - Caltrans Intersection Improvements This project should receive the third highest priority #3
<i>Honey Springs/Skyline Truck Trail and Lyons Valley Road '4 corners'</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	Site Distance Improvements	Agree	<i>discussed at the April 11, 2017 CPG meeting</i> Honey Spring Road/Skyline Truck Trail at Lyons Valley Road..Install intersection warning signs on Lyons Valley Road Trim excessive vegetation along Lyons Valley Road (East) within ROW The trimming has helped, Thank You Please install 4 intersection warning signs, one from each direction.

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<i>Lyons Valley Road and Japatul Valley Road</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	No proposed project	Agree	
<i>Lawson Valley Road and Skyline Truck Trail</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	Site Distance Improvements	This is an offset intersection – both need to be widened adding acceleration and deceleration lanes or a continuous left turn lane to service both intersections	<i>discussed at the April 11, 2017 CPG meeting</i> Lawson Valley Road and Skyline Truck Trail Install Flashing Yellow Beacons on existing intersection warning signs on Skyline Truck Trail Trim excessive vegetation along Skyline Truck Trail within ROW Please proceed. Please install flashing beacon at least 200 feet west of Lawson Valley Rd.
<i>Peg Leg Mine Road and Lyons Valley Road Add Rio Madre, Rio Grande & Loma Vista</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	Site Distance Improvements	Very difficult sight distance need additional turn lane. Consider continuous left turn lane to cover all four Lyons Vly Rd intersections	<i>discussed at the April 11, 2017 CPG meeting</i> Peg Leg Mine Road and Lyons Valley Road Remove eucalyptus tree on the south and two pepper trees on the north side of Lyons Valley Road to enhance sight distance for vehicles to safely merge onto Lyons Valley Road Additional grading may be needed to clear line of sight adequately. Please see photos & suggestions from Steve Wragg sent to Murali on 5-26-17
<i>Rocky Sage Road and Lyons Valley Road</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	Site Distance Improvements, minor grading	Severe “S” curve makes sight distance very difficult. See above	<i>discussed at the April 11, 2017 CPG meeting</i> Rocky Sage Road and Lyons Valley Road Reinstall the intersection warning sign per MUTeD Replace existing intersection warning sign with LED warning sign Shift the edge line striping towards the centerline to create a wider shoulder area and to force westbound vehicles to be closer to the centerline and hence improve sight visibility for Rocky Sage Road We would like to see an entrance lane for the traffic turning right westbound from Rocky Sage onto Lyons Valley Rd. Also, with moving the center line we would like to see either bot-dots or rumble cuts along the center line for a short distance in either direction, and if possible create a right turn pocket on Lyons Valley Rd for eastbound traffic

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				turning onto Pleasant View Rd .
<i>Pleasant View Lane and Lyons Valley Road and Jefferson</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	No proposed project	See above re continuous left turn lane to cover all 3 intersections. Left turn onto Jefferson needs longer left turn lane for safety	
<i>Hidden Trail and Skyline Truck Trail</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	No proposed project	Leads to Skyline Ranch Development – has left turn lane going eastbound = needs acceleration & deceleration lanes	
<i>Babel Drive and Skyline Truck Trail</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	No proposed project	Agree	
<i>Melody Road and Proctor Valley Road</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	No proposed project	Limited sight visibility – needs stop signs as a minimum	
<i>Calle Mesquite/ Calle Bueno Ganar/Proctor Valley Road</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	No proposed project	Look at Melody Road segment cars will travel from SR94 to Chula Vista via Melody Rd	
<i>Lyons Valley Road and Skyline Truck Trail</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance.	Site Distance Improvements	Leads out from 2 schools. Now a three way stop – consider signalizing intersection. Cars running stop sign cause accidents.	<i>discussed at the April 11, 2017 CPG meeting</i> Lyons Valley Road and Skyline Truck Trail Improve the pedestrian walkway along south side of Lyons Valley Road and east side of Lyons Valley Road from Jamul Intermediate School driveway to Peg Leg Mine Road. Improvement includes leveling the walkway with Decomposed Granite (DG) and providing accessible curb ramps Enhance the existing school crosswalk to continental crosswalk and to remove

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				asphalt berm Also add a reduced speed limit for trucks from the top of skyline.
<i>Jamul Drive and Lyons Valley Road</i> <i>Lyons Valley Road Just Before SR 94</i>	Intersection and Sight Distance. Curve makes sight distance very difficult	Sight Distance Improvements Sight Distance Improvements	Major site distance problems – “T-Bone crashes” occur often – consider signalization w/light triggered by Jamul Dr traffic Large number of accidents including two deaths. Curve must be addressed.	<i>discussed at the April 11, 2017 CPG meeting</i> Jamul Drive at Lyons Valley Road Improve right turn lane on westbound Lyons Valley Road Replace existing intersection warning sign with LED warning sign Potential all-way stop control Potential Traffic Signal Strongly agree with need for enhanced traffic control, but would like more discussion with you of the options.
<i>Cumulative Impacts (TIF)</i>	Cumulative Impacts to JIV Area	TIF Payment	This should have been in the MOU!!! Please make sure you get enough to cover <u>all</u> of the road improvements.	
<i>Expand SR-94 along bridge near Steele Canyon High School</i>	Capacity Improvement SANDAG proposed improvements in 2040		Must be widened. It is a dangerous traffic choke point as SR94 proposed to go from 4 lanes to 2 over the bridge and back to 4 after bridge.	
<i>Traffic Study Steele Canyon High School</i>	Internal circulation study		Must be completed for the safety of 2200 students! Very dangerous!	

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<i>Pedestrian Improvements SR-94</i>	Steele Canyon High School to Jamacha Road (1.4 Miles)		Need to re-establish safe walking path for students & cross country teams paralleling SR94. In addition need a safe pedestrian equestrian path under SR94 through a tunnel	
<i>Proctor Valley Road</i>	Proctor Valley Road from Echo Valley is a two lane bumpy dirt road which would be used as a route from South Bay, Chula Vista & National City to proposed casino.		Need to make it safe to travel from South Bay to Jamul – Must be upgraded!	
<i>SR-94 at Millar Ranch Road</i>	Not addressed		Lane expansion will make exiting Millar Ranch Road unsafe. Remember all radio serving Cal fire, emergency, cell and TV antennas located on top of San Miguel – Millar Ranch Rd only access!!! Consider “trip switch” signal installed.	
Otay Lakes Road	Not Addressed		Traffic from South Bay will increase significantly – Bicyclists from Olympic Training Center plus regular	

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			organized bike rides occur on this 2-lane road on a consistent basis – some very serious!	

The recent presentation to the CPG was focused on the \$400,000 allocated to site distance enhancements out of the total \$3,771,000 that has been allocated for road improvements. Our next step is to return to the CPG in May to continue the discussion on the site distance enhancements.

- \$3,771,000 for County roadways:
 - \$750,000 for the Steele Canyon Road Fair Share Improvement. *Status: Project is currently at the 50% design stage with environmental certification process set to begin this spring 2017.*
 - \$400,000 for sight distance enhancements to various County intersections identified by the County. *Status: The following recommendations have been developed and were discussed at the April 11, 2017 CPG meeting. Staff will return to the CPG in May.*
 - Jamul Drive at Lyons Valley Road
 - Honey Spring Road/Skyline Truck Trail at Lyons Valley Road
 - Lawson Valley Road and Skyline Truck Trail
 - Peg Leg Mine Road and Lyons Valley Road
 - Lyons Valley Road and Skyline Truck Trail
 - \$1,521,000 for a Cumulative Traffic Impact Fee (TIF) equivalent to be used by the County for various road improvement and other transportation projects in Jamul area. *Status: After receiving a decision from Caltrans on the improvements below, staff will identify and propose projects and coordinate with stakeholders to obtain approval.*
 - \$1,100,000 - Caltrans Intersection Improvements: The County has identified certain sight distance improvements including signalization requirements that would improve traffic conditions (Sight distance improvement on SR 94 at Vista Sage Road, Sight distance improvement on SR 94 for traffic at Vista Diego/Lyons Valley; and Traffic Signal on SR 94 and Otay Lakes Road intersection) *Status: Letter sent to Caltrans on March 30, 2017 asking them to confirm willingness to enter into an agreement to accept money and complete County recommended improvements. A response was requested within 30 days.*

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JIV SEIS states on pg 5-76:

The cumulative analysis assumes the completion of two projects identified in the Mobility Element

of the San Diego County General Plan: completion of Proctor Valley Road as a 2-lane light collector from Chula Vista city limits to SR-94, and realignment of Otay Lakes Road with the intersection of Honey Springs Road to form a four-way intersection at SR-94.

On section 6.1 the statement is made:

Neither the Proposed Action nor No Action Alternative would result in an impact on the environment; therefore, no mitigation measures are required.