

## Public Correspondence Item 1

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**Attachments:** [BPG CBA comments 7-7-22.pdf](#)  
[Blvd-Jacumba energy project list.xlsx](#)

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### **RE: SEPTEMBER 9TH PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM #1: COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGREEMENTS PDS2021-POD-21-007**

Chairman Pallinger, Vice-Chair Calvo and Commissioners Ashman, Barnhart, Edwards, Hitzke and Hough,

Please see the attached 1-page Boulevard Planning Group's Community Benefit Agreement Comments that were approved by a vote on 7/7/22 with 4 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTAINED, with 3 members absent / excused.

Boulevard is currently the most targeted community in San Diego County for industrial scale renewable energy and related battery storage and infrastructure projects.

To document that fact, I have attached the list of current / active energy projects and project applications in the Boulevard - Jacumba area (5,250 MW) and the projects that have been withdrawn (4,567 MW) from the CAISO grid queue as of 5/17/22.

Underserved and unwilling host communities should be compensated in some manner for being forced to carry this burden, including mandated community benefit agreements and finding a way to **require** local hires from within the project- impacted community planning area.

Regards,  
Donna Tisdale, Chair  
Boulevard Planning Group  
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## COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGREEMENTS – BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP COMMENTS

**APPROVED BY 7/7/22 VOTE: 4 YES; 0 NO, 0 ABSTAINED, WITH 3 MEMBERS EXCUSED**

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1. Community Benefits must be mandatory for all industrial scale wind, solar, related transmission, and other industrial type projects that impact underserved and disproportionately affected renewable energy front-line communities; increase wildfire risk and the availability and affordability of fire insurance rates in high-threat areas; in addition to adversely affecting community viability, quality of life, utility rates & more.
2. Community Benefits must NOT and cannot require project support from elected or appointed community planning groups. Quid-pro-quo is generally considered unethical and /or illegal under law.
3. Community Benefits MUST REMAIN in the immediate project-impacted community and MUST NOT include jobs for out-of-area labor, out-of-area land for wildlife mitigation, out-of-area manufacturing, out-of-area non-profits or other organizations.
4. Community Benefits must be strictly limited to remain within the impacted Community Planning Area boundaries.
5. The previous Soitec Solar alleged 'community benefits' included a manufacturing plant about 70 miles away from Boulevard where 4 -5 Soitec projects were proposed (Rugged Solar, Tierra Del Sol Solar, LanWest Solar, LanEast Solar & Los Robles Solar).
6. Most wind and solar projects receive taxpayer funded tax credits and / or incentives / subsidies, based on the cost of the project.
7. A generic one-time per Mega Watt (MW) Community Benefit amount may not be appropriate for all projects in all areas of the County.
8. Rugged Solar (88.7MW DC) is proposing \$10,000 per MW DC =\$887,000.
9. 90 MW JVR Solar: Board of Supervisors recommended \$4 million (\$44,444 per MW).
10. Community Benefits could also be based on cost of project. 1% of a \$400 million project would result in a \$4 million. 2% would be \$8 million.
11. Projects and cumulative impact projects proposed in disproportionately impacted / burdened rural communities, like Boulevard and Jacumba, should be required to pay benefits annually throughout the life of the project because that is how long the host community is burdened with that project.
12. Boulevard received NO community benefits, when the Board of Supervisors supported Terra-Gen's Campo Wind, with 9 miles of 600 ft tall turbines on Campo Reservation ridge-tops abutting many private properties, via Board approval of Terra-Gen's related Boulder Brush Substation on private land in Boulevard. NO benefits for Boulder Brush.

**Boulevard deserves better.**

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ACTIVE BOULEVARD / JACUMBA AREA ENERGY PROJECTS						
Active Project name	Que Position	Type	MW	Substation-line	Current on-line date	Status
Kumeyaay Wind	19	Wind	46	Crestwood Sub	12/1/2005	operating
Tule Wind	32	Wind	201	Blvd Sub East 138kV	2017	operating
Tecate Hybrid	106A	Solar/battery	100	Blvd Sub East 138kV	12/31/2022	active app
Energia Sierra Juarez	159A	Wind	256	ECO Sub 230kV-MX	1/19/2021	operating
Ocotillo Express	493	Wind	265	Sunrise Powerlink 500kV	12/31/2013	operating
Jacumba Solar Farm	644A	Solar PV	20	ECO Sub 138kV	2017	operating
Rugged Solar	789	Solar PV	72	Blvd East 69kV	9/1/2023	active app
Mount Laguna Wind 2	1429	Wind	400	Suncrest/Ocotillo 500kV	12/06/25	active app
Starlight Solar	1432	Solar PV	20	Blvd Sub East 69kV	12/15/2022	active app
Kettle One(JVR Solar)	1532	Solar/Battery	90	ECO Sub 138kV	12/1/2022	active app
Energia Sierra Juarez 3	1660	Wind	300	ECO Sub 230kV-MX	12/31/2023	active app
Cimarron Wind	1660	Wind	300	ECO 230kV	12/31/2024	Active app
Obsidian Wind	1661	Wind	300	ECO Sub 230kV-MX	12/1/2024	active app
Viento Fronterizo`	1824	Wind	1000	ECO Sub 500kV-MX	9/30/2024	Active app
Goal Line Reliability Project	1832	Battery	150	ECO Sub 69kV	5/30/2023	Active app
Lago Domingo Solar	2168	Solar PV+	80	Blvd East 138kV	10/30/2025	Active app
Lago Domingo	2173	Battery	200	Blvd East 139kV	10/30/2025	Active app
Boulder Brush Hybrid	2177	Wind/batt	400	Boulder Brush 500kV	6/1/2025	Active app
Pinscher Energy	2181	Battery	150	Carrizo Gorge/Blvd	6/1/2024	Active app
Eolica La Rumarosa	2187	Wind	900	ECO Sub 500kV-MX	3/31/2028	Active app
<b>Total</b>			<b>5250</b>			

#### Boulevard / Jacumba area Projects that have been withdrawn from CAISO grid queue

Cuyapaipe Wind	25	Wind	117	Crestwood Sub	N/A	Withdrawn 2004
San Diego Wind 2	26	Wind	36	Crestwood Sub	N/A	Withdrawn 2004
Tule II	112	Wind	300	Sunrise Powerlink 500kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2009
Energia Sierra Juarez 2	183	Wind	300	ECO Sub 230kV-MX	N/A	Withdrawn 2017
Concepcion II Wind	209	Wind	400	ECO Sub-MX	N/A	Withdrawn 2009
Milagro Wind	406	Wind	130	Blvd Sub	N/A	Withdrawn 2008
Jewel Valley /Jordan Wind	555	Wind	92	Blvd Sub	N/A	Withdrawn 2011
Manzanita Wind	583	Wind	58	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2015
Rough Acres Solar	623A	Solar PV	10	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2010
Jordan II Renewables	643AN	Wind-Solar	86	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2011
Aubanel II Wind	643C	Wind	540	ECO Sub 230kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2010
Suncrest Imperial SEGS	770	Solar steam	1080	ECO Sub 230kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2012
Tierra Del Sol Solar	794	Solar	45	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2015
Candlewood Wind	802	Wind	150	Ocotillo Express 500kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2011
Jacumba II Solar Farm	837	Solar PV	20	ECO Sub 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2013
Tierra Del Sol II	895	Solar	15	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2015
Los Robles	896	Solar	100	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2013
Fox Solar	959	Solar	30	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2014
ECO Energy Storage	1046	Battery	10	ECO Sub 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2015
Hawkwind	1049	Solar PV	20	ECO Sub 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2015
Shu'luuk Wind	1060	Wind	160	Blvd Sub East 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 2015
Jacumba Ranch	1174	Solar/battery	60	ECO Sub 138kV	N/A	Withdrawn 8/2019
Mount Laguna Wind	1287	Wind	208	Sunrise Powerlink 500kV	N/A	Withdrawn 5/2018
Primavera Storage	1659	Battery	200	ECO 230kV	N/A	Withdrawn 7/2019
Boulder Oaks Hybrid	1804	Wind-batter	400	Boulder Brush Sub		Withdrawn 3/10/21
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>4567</b>			