COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP (BPG)

*** 7 PM THURSDAY OCTOBER 6, 2022— FINAL AGENDA / NOTICE FOR IN-PERSON MEETING COMMUNITY ROOM IN BACK AT 39919 RIBBONWOOD ROAD, BOULEVARD, CA, 91905***

<u>A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum):</u> 1) Manuel Casanova; 2) Earl Goodnight 3) Kevin Keane; 4) Donna Tisdale; 5) Michael Coyne; 7) Nancy Good

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (optional):

C. ACT ON DRAFT MINUTES/ SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 1ST MEETING:

<u>D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:</u> 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. Items can be added to future agendas.

E. ACTION ITEMS (Agenda items may be taken out of order upon request):

- 1. TERRA-GEN'S BOULDER BRUSH FACILITIES (SUBSTATION GEN-TIE) PDS2022-MUP-19-002TE: The Boulder Brush substation and gen-tile line would support Terra-Gen's Campo Wind (60 turbines) and Torrey Wind (30 turbines). Torrey Wind was excluded from review in the MUP/EIR. Terra-Gen is requesting a three (3)-year extension on their Boulder Brush Facilities Major Use Permit (MUP) from the current expiration date of 2/10/23 to 2/10/25. Their request is based on the unresolved lawsuit that was filed in 2021, challenging the County's project approval, and the potential for an appeal of the pending judgment. Since then, the Campo Band has filed a Motion to Dismiss the legal challenge, based on tribal sovereignty. The BPG's recommendation should be submitted to the County via Form PDS-534.See more information at Boulder Brush project website: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/pds/ceqa/BoulderBrush.html.
- 2. 74 MW RUGGED SOLAR PDS2017-MUP-12-007W1 MAJOR USE PERMIT MODIFICATION. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING OCTOBER 12: ACT ON CHAIR'S REQUEST TO SUBMIT COMMENTS TO BOARD, INCLUDING REQUEST FOR MATCHING COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY AND / OR THE PROJECT LAND OWNER: Current PDS Project Manager: Regina.Ochoa@sdcounty.ca.gov (619) 323-8090. Project documents posted at: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-12-007W1.html
- 3. REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 PARK LAND DEDICATION ORDINANCE (PLDO) AND RECREATION

 PROGRAMMING PRIORITY LISTS: San Diego County Dept of Parks and Recreation is seeking our community's input on PLDO priorities for Mountain Empire Park Planning Area, by November 30th.See PLDO website: https://www.sdparks.org/content/sdparks/en/AboutUs/Plans/pldo.html
- **4.** REQUEST FOR INPUT ON BACKCOUNTRY NEEDS LIST TO HELP PROMOTE HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES: A collaborative group working on health care, including Mark Ostrander, is seeking input regarding local needs such as health care, health education, healthy living and eating, transportation, and potentially more.
- **5.** <u>DECORATIVE COMMUNITY SIGN:</u> The County is offering applications for decorative community signs that span a local roadway. Vote on option to pursue such a sign for Boulevard and where it should be installed.

F. GROUP BUSINESS, ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. REVITALIZATION & FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORTS:

G. PROJECT UPDATES:

- 1. **REGIONAL DECARBONIZATION FRAMEWORK:** Update presented at Board of Supervisors on 8/31.
- 2. **SDG&E's BOULEVARD MICROGRID & STRATEGIC UNDERGROUNDING:** CPUC approved the project on 6/23/22. It will serve selected Boulevard and Campo Reservation facilities.
- 3. https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-12-007W1.html
- 4. 100 MW STARLIGHT SOLAR PLUS BATTERIES ON 570 ACRES IN 8 AREAS OF JEWEL VALLEY AREA; MAJOR USE PERMIT (MUP) APPLICATION SCOPING LETTER: PDS2022-MPA-22-006. MAJOR USE PERMIT APPLICATION EXPECTED BY NEXT YEAR: Project is industrial scale 100 MW solar facility with battery energy storage system

- (BESS), collector substation, transformers, inverters, gen-tie line, and 24' internal roads, water tanks for fire protection, security fencing, lighting, and signage. South of I-8 and Old 80 and east of Tierra Del Sol Road. Project has eight solar array areas with approximately 300,000 PV modules on support structures.
- 5. TERRA-GEN'S 252 MW-60 TURBINE CAMPO WIND PROJECT. OCTOBER 20ST 11 AM HEARING IN 9TH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS IN PASADENA: Approved for Campo Reservation land by Dept of Interior April 2020. Federal lawsuit filed 7-8-20. On August 6, 2021, the federal judge granted the Campo Band's Motion to Dismiss the case based on sovereignty. In 2021, the FAA approved the project for second time despite SO CAL TRACON objections over significant aviation impacts. An appeal of FAA approval is in process at the 9th Circuit.
- 6. 90 MW JACUMBA VALLEY RANCH ENERGY PARK (JVR SOLAR); APPROVED BY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON 8-18-21. DECISION IS PENDING IN CEQA LAWSUIT CHALLENGING PROJECT APPROVAL: 90 megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a battery energy storage system of up to 90 MW (360 MWh) on 613 acres. Project documents are posted at: https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/ceqa/MUP-18-022.html.
- 7. TERRA-GEN'S 126 MW TORREY WIND PROJECT WITH 30-4.2 MW TURBINES: PDS2018-MUP-18-014: No project progress reported since approximately 2018. Torrey Wind will rely on Campo Wind's approved but not yet built Boulder Brush Substation. Terra-Gen was granted another project time extension through September 24, 2022. https://www.sandiegocounty.gov//content/sdc/pds/ceqa/TorreyWindNOP.html The CAISO Grid Queue report (#2177) shows a Boulder Brush Hybrid with 105.8 MW wind and 314 MW battery storage with an online date of 6/1/25: http://www.caiso.com/PublishedDocuments/PublicQueueReport.xlsx
- 8. <u>TULE WIND PHASE II-69MW</u>: Currently permitted to erect up to 24 new turbines on State land and the Ewiiaapayaap Reservation, with a capacity of 69 megawatts, as expansion to existing 131.1 MW Tule Wind I with 57 -2.3 MW turbines. No progress since approximately 2016: https://www.eastcountymagazine.org/state-approves-tule-wind-phase-ii-opponents-voice-concern-eagles-wildlife-residents
- 9. 60 MW 420 ACRE BOULEVARD SOLAR MUP12-010TE PDS2012-3300-12-00 @ 796 Tierra Del Sol Road; No project progress reported. Approved in 2014 and terminated by Soitec Solar in March 2015. Invenergy withdrew from project in 2018. The absentee owner still promoting it. Permit was set to expire at the end of July 2022. The County can issue further extensions.
- 10. ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ (ESJ) WIND II-EXPANSION COMMENCED OPERATIONS: FEB 8, 2022: Sempra commenced operations of their 108 MW (26-Vestas V150-4.2MW) expansion of existing 155 MW ESJ Wind I project (47-3.3 MW turbines) on 13,000 acres south of the border just east of Jacumba and Ejido Jacume. Energy is exported cross border to SDG&E's ECO Substation. Full capacity at build out is 1,000-1,200 MW.

H. ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 2022.

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