## COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO BOULEVARD PLANNING GROUP \*\*\*PRELIMINARY MEETING AGENDA\*\*\*

DATE &TIME: 7:00 PM, Thursday, February 6, 2014

<u>MEETING LOCATION:</u> (Note new location) Boulevard Fire Station Equipment Bay, 39919 Ribbonwood Road, Boulevard CA 91905

**A. ROLL CALL (Determination of quorum): 1)** Robert Maupin; **2)** VACANT **3)** Chris Noland; **4)** Donna Tisdale; **5)** Michele Strand; **6)** VACANT; **7)** Jeffrey McKernan: Vacant seats 2 and 6 are open for application to registered voters living within the Boulevard Planning Area; Contact the Chair for applications.

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** (please silence cell phones)

## C. APPROVE MINUTES FOR JANUARY 2ND MEETING:

<u>D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:</u> Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Group 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.

## **E. ACTION ITEMS:**

- COLIO PERMIT APPLICATION FOR IRRIGATION WELL: PDS2013-AD-13-047: Group will act on Fernando Colio's permit application for a well and power meter pole to irrigate vineyards and trees on 14,173.5 square feet of 2.5 acre parcel on Highview Point in Tierra Heights area of Boulevard: APN: 609-171-55-00: Project Manager: Beth Ehsan; 858-694-3103
- 2. SOITEC SOLAR PROJECTS (PDS2012-3910-120005): DRAFT PROGROMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR FOUR BOULEVARD PROJECTS (WITH 7,409-8,415 CPV SOLAR TRACKERS @ 1,200 SQ FT EACH) IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AND PUBLIC COMMENT THROUGH FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>. County staff and Soitec representatives / consultants will be present to answer questions. Public comment closes on the draft Programmatic EIR for the Soitec Solar projects at 4PM on Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. The Soitec Solar Development EIR includes two projects (80MW Rugged Solar and 60MW Tierra Del Sol Solar) which have been evaluated at the project level and two projects (22MW LanEast and 6.5MW LanWest) that have been evaluated at a program level due to lack of sufficient information. Two new Jewel Valley alternative sites, totaling 1,460 acres, (Los Robles Solar) are proposed for the northern section of Lansing's Empire Ranch, east and west of Jewel Valley Road. The Draft PEIR identifies the new Los Robles Alternative as the Environmentally Superior/Preferred Alternative. County project manager: Ashley Gungle: 858-495-5375; Ashley.gungle@sdcounty.ca.gov; All documents available for review can be accessed via this link: http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/ceqa\_public\_review.html. Mail, fax or e-mail comments by 4PM Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> to: Robert Hingtgen, Planning & Development Services, 5510 Overland Avenue, Ste 110, San Diego, 92123; FAX #: 858-694-2485; e-mail: Robert.hingtgen@sdcounty.ca.gov
- 3. REVIEW AND UPDATE BOULEVARD NEEDS/MITIGATION LIST: Review list approved by Group on July 7, 2011. Determine if additions or changes are needed as recommended mitigation to submit with Soitec Solar DPEIR comments.

**4. APPLICATION FOR VACANT SEAT ON PLANNING GROUP FROM PAULA BYRD:** Ribbonwood Road resident, Paula Byrd, will provide her statement of reasons for applying. There will be a brief question and answer session prior to the Group vote on appointing Ms. Byrd to seat 2 or 6.

F. GROUP BUSINESS: Announcements; correspondence; discussion items; project updates

- 1. REVITALIZATION REPORT:
- 2. FIRE SAFE COUNCIL REPORT:
- ROUGH ACRES RANCH CAMPGROUND/CONFERENCE CENTER MUP: PDS2012-3300-12-021
   (MUP): 2750 MCCAIN VALLEY ROAD: 753 ACRES ZONED RL80/A72: Rough Acres Foundation /
   Jeff Hamann: The County has determined that an EIR is required. Project manager: Jim Bennett;
   <u>jim.bennett@sdcounty.ca.gov</u>; (858) 694-8846.
- 4. ROUGH ACRES RANCH ROAD MAJOR GRADING PERMIT: PDS2011-2700-15622: APPLICANT GREGG HAMANN: New private connector road proposed between Ribbonwood Road and McCain Valley Road to serve as access for Iberdrola's Tule Wind, and proposed Rough Acres Campground & Conference Center, and potentially for Rugged Solar. Project Manager: Kenneth.Brazell@sdcounty.ca.gov; 858-694-2728 ph; 858-694-8928 fax.
- 5. INFIGEN'S 30 MW FOX ACRES SOLAR (PDS2013-MPA-12-012): Major pre-application meeting was held with County staff. No MUP application has yet been filed. Pre-application Meeting summary of major issues, key decisions/determinations and guidance for project processing were documented in PDS letter dated September 5<sup>th</sup>. Project address: East of intersection of Hwy 94 and Tierra Del Sol Road: APN'S: 610-062-20, 21,46,47,48, 612-040-03, 53, 57, 59 & 612-041-01; Property owners: Robert & Mele Fox, 38951 Hwy 94.
- **6.** CHAPMAN RANCH SOLAR PROJECT: Solar Electric Solutions LLC has confirmed that they are studying a 50 acre solar project planned on 132.94 acres (APN 612-030-15) known as Chapman Ranch located at McCain Valley Road and Rocky Knoll Road north of I-8: Company website: <a href="http://www.solarelectricsolutions.com/">http://www.solarelectricsolutions.com/</a>
- 7. SEMPRA'S CROSS-BORDER TRANSMISSION LINE WILL CONNECT THEIR ENERGIA SIERRA

  JUAREZ WIND PROJECT WITH SDG&E'S ECO-SUBSTATION: Vestas 3.3MW turbines purchased.

  Import capacity of 1,250 MW. Approved by the CPUC, BLM and DOE. Litigation filed against federal approval on 12-26-12: http://esiprojecteis.org/
- 8. <u>IBERDROLA'S 200 MW TULE WIND:</u> The Bureau of Land Management approved the Record of Decision in March 2012 and the County approved the Major Use Permit in May 2012. A complaint for injunctive and declaratory relief was filed against BLM approvals in US District Court: <a href="http://eastcountymagazine.org/print/12724">http://eastcountymagazine.org/print/12724</a>. A court hearing is currently scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup>. Tule Wind Map: <a href="http://tulewindeccmp.com/Figure2-ProjectLocation.pdf">http://tulewindeccmp.com/Figure2-ProjectLocation.pdf</a>.
- 9. <u>TULE WIND PHASE II</u>: On December 16<sup>th</sup>, the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs approved the Record of Decision for Tule Wind Phase II for up to 20 industrial wind turbines on Ewiiaapaayp tribal lands. The press release states that the applicant (Iberdrola) will apply for an eagle take permit for Golden Eagles: <a href="http://www.bia.gov/cs/groups/public/documents/text/idc1-024577.pdf">http://www.bia.gov/cs/groups/public/documents/text/idc1-024577.pdf</a>.
- 10. WIND ENERGY ORDINANCE & PLAN AMENDMENT WERE APPROVED IN MAY 2012 AND A CEQA SUIT WAS FILED IN JUNE. County documents and maps are posted here:

  http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/pds/advance/POD10007FEIR.html
  25<sup>th</sup>.The CEQA suit is posted here: http://www.sandiegoreader.com/documents/2013/jun/18/lawsuit-over-wind-turbines-backcountry/.

## G. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT REGULAR MEETING SET FOR MARCH 6, 2014: