## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

## by the EAST COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS, TO TAKE COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (SEIR) for CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PLN2017-00201

SAND HILL WIND LLC, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PLN2017-00201 ~ Application to allow repowering of an estimated 671 existing or previously existing wind energy turbine sites with up to 40 new turbines with a maximum production capacity of 144.5 megawatts (MW), using turbines rated between 2.3 and 3.8 MW (potentially up to 4.0 MW) per turbine, on fifteen (15) contiguous or nearly contiguous parcels separated by roads, aqueducts and the Bethany Reservoir on approximately 2,600 acres in the eastern portion of the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area of Alameda County, bordering both sides of Altamont Pass Road west of Grant Line Road, both sides of Mountain House Road north of Grant Line Road, generally west of Bethany Reservoir and southeast of the intersection of Christensen and Bruns Roads, bearing Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 99B-7750-6; 99B-6325-1-4; 99B-6325-1-3; 99B-7375-1-7; 99B-7400-1-5; 99B 7300-1-5; 99B-7050-4-6; 99B-7050-1-9; 99B-7050-4-1: 99B-7350-2-1; 99B-7350-2-15; 99B-7350-2-5; 99B-7500-3-2; 99B-7500-3-1; and 99B-7600-1-1.

The Project is broadly consistent with the Repowering Program that was the subject of a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for Repowering the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area (APWRA) certified by the East County Board of Zoning Adjustments on November 12, 2014, and is therefore reviewed as a tiered project with a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) pursuant to Section 15162 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. The SEIR establishes that the Project is appropriate to be reviewed as within the overall scope of the APWRA Repowering Program as defined in the PEIR. The SEIR is intended to inform public agency decision-makers and the public of the significant environmental effects of the Project and identify possible ways to minimize such effects including alternatives to the Project.

The Draft SEIR is available for public review at the offices of the Planning Department, 224 W. Winton Avenue, Room 111, Hayward, California 94544, and at the Department's website (www.acgov.org/cda/planning – see Pending Land Use Projects, Current Development Projects, Wind Turbine Projects and Sand Hill Wind Project.

The public hearing is scheduled on <u>Thursday, September 12, 2019, 1:30 p.m.</u>, at the City of Pleasanton Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, CA. All persons interested in the matter may appear and be heard at this meeting.

No decision to approve or deny the project will be made at this hearing. The East County Board of Zoning Adjustments (EBZA) will take public comment on the Draft SEIR and then continue the matter to its next meeting. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, October 24, 2019, 1:30 p.m. (same location), at which time the EBZA can consider certifying the Final SEIR, which will include responses to comments on the Draft SEIR, and may then make a decision regarding the Project.

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