STAFF: T. MOREIRA, R. NORRIS

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 , 2011
McBRIEN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
ROOM 107
PINE & ESCOBAR STREETS
MARTINEZ, CA

*****1:30 P.M.*****

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1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

2. DETERMINATION OF EASEMENT RIGHTS:

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT: CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING

ACCEPTED STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION AND ADDOPTED RESOLUTION 18-2011 AND RECOMMENDED THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION CERTIFY THE FINAL EIR AND THAT THE COMMISSION HAS CONSIDERED THE CONTENTS OF THE FINAL EIR PRIOR TO MAKING A DECISION ON THE PROJECT.

3. TRES VAQUEROS WINDFARMS, LLC (Applicant); CONTRA COSTA WATER DISTRICT and EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT (Owners); County File #LP09-2005: This is a closed hearing to consider the adequacy of the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Tres Vaqueros Windfarm Repowering Project. The proposed project includes: (1) decommissioning and removal of 91 obsolete wind turbines and related infrastructure; (2) construction of up to 19 Siemens 2.3-megawatt wind turbines, each with an total height of approximately 430 feet; (3) expansion and upgrade of the Tres Vaqueros Substation; (4) construction of new on-site gravel roads to provide access to the new turbines; (5) roadway improvements at one access point along Vasco Road; (6) reduced setbacks for up to 4 new turbines; (7) reclamation (through regrading and revegetation) of existing turbine pads and access roads that would no longer be utilized; and (8) extraction of construction water from Byron Bethany Irrigation District Canal 45. The project site lies within that portion of the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area that is located in unincorporated Contra Costa County, and consists of 15 parcels encompassing approximately 2,664 acres. The site is approximately 2 miles southwest of the community of Byron, approximately 4 miles south of the city of Brentwood, approximately 1.5 miles west-southwest of Byron Airport, and adjacent to Los Vaqueros Reservoir and Vasco Caves Regional Preserve. Vasco Road runs along the project's southeastern boundary. [Assessor Parcel Numbers: 005-090-006, 005-090-007, 005-090-008, 005-100-002, 005-100-004, 005-100-005, 005-140-003, 005-150-004, 005-160-001, 005-160-004, 005-160-005, 005-170-006, 005-170-007, 005-170-008, 005-170-011, 003-13C-XXX (Canal 45) WRN

PLEASE NOTE: THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR WILL BE ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2011.

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