



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

Special Hearing of September 30, 2008

9:00 a.m.

C. MICHAEL COONEY	1st District	County of Santa Barbara
CECILIA BROWN	2nd District	Betteravia Government Center
C.J. JACKSON	3rd District, Chair	511 East Lakeside Parkway
JOE H. VALENCIA	4th District	Santa Maria, CA 93455
DANIEL BLOUGH	5th District, Vice Chair	(805) 568-2000 (Planning & Development)

REMOTE TESTIMONY: *Persons may address the Planning Commission by using the remote video testimony system located at the Engineering Building, Room 17, Planning Commission Hearing Room, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara.*

Written comments are welcome. All letters should be addressed to the Santa Barbara County Planning Commission, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. Letters, with nine copies, and computer materials, e.g. PowerPoint presentations, should be filed with the secretary of the Planning Commission no later than 12:00 P.M. on the Friday before the Planning Commission hearing. The decision to accept late materials will be at the discretion of the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission Chairperson will announce when public testimony can be given for the applications on the agenda. Please be aware that the Commission will consider testimony on both the project and the related environmental document. Speaker slips are available by the door and should be filled in and handed to the Secretary before the hearing begins. Please indicate on the speaker slips and in your testimony which portion of the project you will be addressing in your comments.

Photos, slides, videos, models or other physical items presented as evidence during a hearing shall be retained by the Hearing Support Staff until the expiration of all applicable appeal periods.

If you challenge the projects 06CUP-00000-00009 or 08VAR-00000-00003 in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this agenda, or in written correspondence to the Planning Commission at, or prior to the public hearing, Government Code Section 65009.

Writings that are a public record under Government Code § 54957.5(a) and that relate to an agenda item for an open session of a regular meeting of the County Planning Commission and that are distributed to a majority of all of the members of the County Planning Commission less than 72 hours prior to that meeting shall be available for public inspection at Santa Barbara County Planning and Development, 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA, and also on the County's website at <http://www.sbcountyplanning.org>.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this hearing, please contact the Hearing Support Staff (805) 568-2000. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the hearing will enable the Hearing Support Staff to make reasonable arrangements.

TV COVERAGE ANNOUNCEMENT: *The special hearing of September 30, 2008 will be televised live on County Santa Barbara Television (CSBT) Channel 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the South Coast, Lompoc, Santa Ynez Valley, Santa Maria and Orcutt areas. Rebroadcast of this special hearing will be on Thursday, October 2, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, October 4, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. on CSBT Channel 20.*

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA:

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

II. **TV COVERAGE ANNOUNCEMENT:** *by Jessica Opland.*

III. **ROLL CALL:** *by Jessica Opland.*

IV. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** *Public Comment period is set aside to allow public testimony on items **not** on today's special hearing agenda.*

V. STANDARD AGENDA:

1.	06CUP-00000-00009 08VAR-00000-00003 06EIR-00000-00004	Lompoc Wind Energy Project Doug Anthony, Deputy Director, Energy Division (805) 568-2046 Kevin Drude, Energy Specialist, Energy Division (805) 568-2519 John Day, Planner, Energy Division (805) 568-	Lompoc
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Hearing on the request of Pacific Renewable Energy Generation LLC to consider the Lompoc Wind Energy Project, as follows:

- a) **06CUP-00000-00009** [application filed February 21, 2006] for a Conditional Use Permit allowing construction and operation of a wind energy generation facility on property zoned AG-II-100, in compliance with Section 35.82.060 of the County Land Use and Development Code;
- b) **08VAR-00000-00003** [application filed April 1, 2006] for a Variance from setback regulations, in compliance with Section 35.82.200 of the County Land Use and Development Code, to allow placing wind turbines one turbine blade length from certain property lines instead of the overall system height;

and to certify the Environmental Impact Report (06EIR-00000-00004; SCH# 2006071008) pursuant to the State Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act. As a result of this project, significant effects on the environment are anticipated in the following categories: Aesthetic/Visual Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Fire Hazards and Emergency Services, Geology/Soils, Land Use, Noise, Paleontological Resources, Risk/Safety, Traffic/Circulation, and Water Resources. Proposed mitigation measures would reduce the environmental effects to less than significant, except for residual effects on Visual and Biological Resources, which would remain significant and unavoidable. The proposed Final EIR (FEIR) and all documents referenced therein may be reviewed at the Planning and Development Department, Energy Division, 123 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara. The EIR is also available for review at the following public libraries: Lompoc (501 E. North Ave.), Santa Maria (420 S. Broadway), Vandenberg Village (3755 Constellation Rd.), Goleta Branch Library (500 N. Fairview Ave.), Santa Barbara (40 E. Anapamu St.), and UCSB Library. In addition the final EIR may be viewed at the Energy Division website: <http://www.countyofsb.org/energy/projects/LompWindEnergy.asp>.

The permit application involves 10 parcels adjacent to San Miguelito road near its southern terminus, from 3525 to 5555 San Miguelito Road, AP Nos. 083-080-004, 083-090-001, 083-090-002, 083-090-003, 083-100-004, 083-100-008, 083-250-011, 083-250-019, 083-090-004, 083-100-007 in the Lompoc area, Third Supervisorial District.

The proposed power line associated with the project (but outside the County's permitting jurisdiction) would run on or adjacent to 65 parcels along San Miguelito Road from 5500 to 1259 San Miguelito Road, from there to Highway 1 near the Lompoc City limit, and in the City of Lompoc along Highway 1 and 12th Street between Highway 246 and Laurel Avenue. The APN #s of the parcels along the proposed route are as follows: 083-010-051 to 054; 083-030-005, 006, 010 to 013, 027, 031, 035, 039, 044, 052, 057; 083-040-001 to 005; 083-050-001 to 019; 083-060-013 to 017; 083-080-003, 005; 083-090-004; 083-100-004, 007, 008; 083-110-002, 003, 007, 008, 012; 085-360-007; 085-421-036; 085-433-022; 099-141-022, 029; 099-520-006, 015, 016. Third and Fourth Supervisorial District.

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Dianne M. Black
Secretary to the Planning Commission

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