# SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA





FROM: TLMA - Planning Department

SUBMITTAL DATE: July 21, 2014

SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL WECS PERMIT NO. 12, SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE NO. 1 – CEQA Exempt - Applicant: Westwind Association – Fifth/Fifth Supervisorial District – Pass & Desert Zoning District – REQUEST: Substantial Conformance proposes minor modifications to approved WECS Permit No. 12R1 by revising the location of the previously approved 10 Ogin 100 kilowatt replacement wind turbines that have a maximum height of 150 feet (not currently constructed) approximately 1,000 feet to the east within the WECS Permit No. 12R1 project area to accommodate a specialized wake measurement campaign. Additionally, the Substantial Conformance proposes to decommission and remove 31 existing wind turbines reducing the total number of turbines from 78 to 57 (includes 10 new Ogin turbines).

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

**RECEIVE AND FILE** the Notice of Decision for the above referenced Substantial Conformance of a commercial WECS permit acted on by the Planning Director on July 21, 2014.

The Planning Department recommended Approval; and,

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THE PLANNING DIRECTOR:

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Juan C. Perez, TLMA Director/ Interim Planning Director

Ongoing Costs

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SOURCE OF FUNI	OS: N/A						Budget Adjustn	nent: N/A	
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C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

**County Executive Office Signature** 

Steven C. Horn

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

□ A-30 □ Positions Added □ 4/5 Vote □ Change Order

□ Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: 5/5

Agenda Number:

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FORM 11: COMMERCIAL WECS PERMIT NO. 12, SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE NO. 1

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<u>FOUND</u> that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15302 and 15061(b)(3), based on the findings and conclusions incorporated in the staff report; and,

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# Impact on Citizens and Businesses

The impact on the local citizens and businesses has been slightly decreased with the reduction in overall wind turbines by decommissioning and replacing fewer wind turbines, and, with recommended conditions of approval (COA's) including, but not limited to, COA 10.Planning.6-Operational Noise, COA 10.Planning.9-Utility Coordination, COA'80.Planning.4-Conform to Elevations, and COA 80.Planning.7-Removal Plan.

## SUPPLEMENTAL:

Additional Fiscal Information N/A

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

N/A



# PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Juan C. Perez Interim Planning Director

**DATE: July 21, 2014** 

TO: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning Department - Desert Office

SUBJECT: Commercial WECS Permit No. 12, Substantial Conformance No. 1 (RECEIVE AND FILE)
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Need Directors signature ASAP
Please schedule on the August 5, 2014 BOS Agenda.

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Departmental Concurrence

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C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

**County Executive Office Signature** 

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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N/A

Area Plan: Western Coachella Valley

Zoning District: Pass & Desert Supervisorial District: Fifth Project Planner: Jay Olivas COMMERCIAL WECS PERMIT NO. 12, SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE NO. 1

**CEQA Exempt** 

**Applicant: Westwind Association** 

Eng/Rep: Charlie Karustis

# COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE PLANNING DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT

# **PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:**

Substantial Conformance proposes minor modifications to approved WECS Permit No. 12R1 by revising the location of the previously approved 10 Ogin 100 kilowatt replacement wind turbines that have a maximum height of 150 feet (not currently constructed) approximately 1,000 feet to the east within the WECS Permit No. 12R1 project area to accommodate a specialized wake measurement campaign. Additionally, the Substantial Conformance proposes to decommission and remove 31 existing wind turbines reducing the total number of turbines from 78 to 57 (includes 10 new Ogin turbines).

The project is located in the Community of North Palm Springs within the Western Coachella Valley Area Plan in Eastern Riverside County; more specifically, southerly of Two Bunch Palms Trail, westerly of Indian Canyon Drive, and easterly of Diablo Road.

# **ISSUE OF POTENTIAL CONCERN:**

No issues of potential concern as this Substantial Conformance simply relocates previously un-built turbines approximately 1000 feet to the east along existing WECS service roads and decommissions 31 existing wind turbines. The Substantial Conformance has been conditioned accordingly by affected departments with some amended and new additional conditions.

Issues of potential concern such as visual impacts, noise, safety setbacks, and ground disturbance have been previously addressed under Commercial WECS Permit No. 12, Revised Permit No. 1 approved in 2013.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

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Pursuant to Section 18.42a of Ordinance No. 348, the Planning Director has the authority to approve, conditionally approve or disapprove any substantial conformance applications for modifications to approved commercial wind energy conversion system ("WECS") permits. A substantial conformance application can be approved or conditionally approved if certain standards are met and the proposed modification does not increase the density or intensity of the approved use, which does not: 1) increase the number of WECS, 2) result in more environmental impacts than the approved use, and 3) have a greater cumulative effect on the surrounding property than the approved use. The Planning Director's decision shall be mailed to the requisite parties and submitted to the Clerk of the Board for placement on the Board of Supervisor's Agenda as a receive and file the notice of decision in accordance with Ordinance No. 348.

# COMMERCIAL WECS PERMIT NO. 12, SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE NO. 1

Planning Director's Staff Report: July 21, 2014

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# **SUMMARY OF FINDINGS:**

1. Existing General Plan Land Use (Ex. #5): Rural Desert (10 Acre Minimum)

2. Surrounding General Plan Land Use (Ex. #5): Rural Desert (10 Acre Minimum); Public

Facilities; Estate Density Residential (2 Acre

Minimum)

Existing Zoning (Ex. #2): Wind Energy (W-E)

4. Surrounding Zoning (Ex. #2): Wind Energy (W-E); Controlled Development

Areas (W-2)

5. Existing Land Use (Ex. #1): Wind Turbines (WECS)

6. Surrounding Land Use (Ex. #1): Wind Turbines (WECS), Vacant Land, Power

Stations, Scattered Dwellings

7. Project Data: Total Acreage: 151 Acres
Total Number of WCS: U

Total Number of WCS: Up to 57 (with 10 Ogins)
Total Megawatts (MW): Approximately 5 MW

8. Environmental Concerns: See attached Notice of Exemption

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** That the Planning Director:

<u>FIND</u> that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 and 15302, based on the findings and conclusions incorporated in the staff report; and

<u>APPROVE</u> COMMERCIAL WECS PERMIT NO. 12, SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE NO. 1, subject to all the attached conditions of approval which include the previous conditions for WECS Permit No 12R1 and additional new and amended conditions for this project, and based upon the findings and conclusions incorporated in the staff report.

**FINDINGS**: The following findings are in addition to those incorporated in the summary of findings, and in the attached environmental assessment, which is incorporated herein by reference.

- 1. The project site is designated Rural: Rural Desert (RUR: RD) (10 Acre Minimum) on the Western Coachella Valley Area Plan.
- The project site is surrounded by properties which are designated Rural: Rural Desert (RUR: RD) (10 Acre Minimum), Community Development: Estate Density Residential (CD: EDR) (2 Acre Minimum), and Community Development: Public Facilities (CD: PF).
- 3. The zoning for the subject site is Wind Energy (W-E) which allows commercial wind turbines subject to commercial WECS permit.
- 4. The project site is surrounded by properties which are zoned Wind Energy (W-E) and Controlled Development Areas (W-2).

- Within the vicinity of the proposed project, surrounding land uses consist of vacant land, commercial WECS, the Dever's Substation, Sentinel Power Station, and scattered single family dwellings.
- 6. Wind potential at this site is considered excellent based on the data contained within the EIR/EIS No. 158 (San Gorgonio Wind Resource Study).
- 7. The project is consistent with the circulation land use standards of the Public Facilities and Services Element of the Riverside County General Plan in that access is provided from Power Line Road, 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Two Bunch Palms Trail.
- 8. The project conforms with the noise and energy resources land use standards of the Environmental Hazards and Resources Element of the General Plan; for example, compliance is demonstrated by, (a) operational noise standard for the proposed WECS array being 55 db(A) or lower at the nearest sensitive receptor, and (b) WECS are not proposed on slopes in excess of 25 percent, and (c) security and safety measures are incorporated into the project requirements.
- 9. The project will use "light grey colored steel" finish for the new WECS components for the new replacement turbines to reduce visual impacts.
- 10. The project is located within Sphere of Influence of the City of Desert Hot Springs, no comments were received based on transmittal and email sent to City in May and June 2014.
- 11. The project is within the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan, but is not specifically located within a Conservation Area.
- 12. The project does not result in more intense environmental impacts in that the repositioning of the replacement 10 Ogin 100 kW turbines will not create any additional, new temporary disturbance as all decommissioning and turbine replacement activities will occur within previously disturbed project areas, except for small temporary disturbance previously approved under WCS 12R1.
- 13. The project does not increase the density or intensity of the approved use because the changes proposed to WECS Permit No. 12R1 will decrease the number of WECS not increase the total overall wind turbines from 78 existing turbines to 57 total turbines in that 31 existing turbines are being decommissioned and up to 10 new Ogin turbines are being constructed.
- 14. The project does not create a greater cumulative effect on the surrounding property than the approved use because the project reduces total wind turbines by 21 turbines which reduces visual impacts and noise impacts to surrounding land since there will be less physical equipment on the project site.
- 15. Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines Sections 15302 and 15061(b)(3), the Riverside County Planning Department has determined that the project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA. The project involves the removal and replacement of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the approved WECS Permit No. 12R1 and will have substantially the same purpose and negligible or no expansion of capacity as the structures replaced. In this instance, thirty-one aging wind energy turbines will be removed and only up to ten new replacement wind energy turbines will be constructed within the same site as the approved WECS Permit No. 12R1. Also, there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment in that the

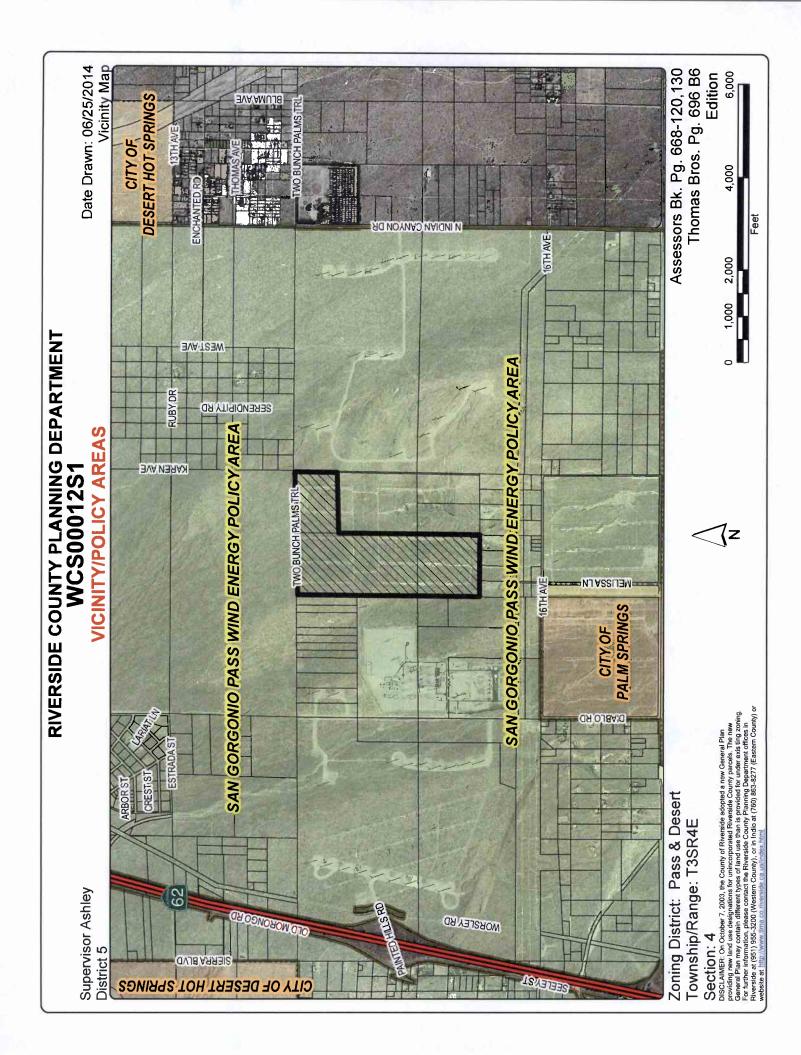
relocation of previously approved un-built wind turbines approximately 1000 feet to the east are in relatively same locations as existing turbines along turbine Rows C, D, and E along prior disturbed service roads and replacement turbines are of similar height at 150 feet maximum within the same approved project site. Additionally, the decommissioning of 31 turbines will be conducted by demolition permit in accordance with California Building Codes and a Removal Plan with set demolition methods, transport methods, and timelines which will further limit impacts to the environment.

# **CONCLUSIONS**:

- 1. The proposed project is in conformance with the Rural: Rural Desert (RUR: RD) (10 Acre Minimum) land use designation, and with all other elements of the Riverside County General Plan.
- 2. The proposed project is conditionally consistent with the Wind Energy (W-E) zoning classification of Ordinance No. 348, and with all other applicable provisions of Ordinance No. 348.
- 3. The public's health, safety and general welfare are protected through project design.
- 4. The proposed project is conditionally compatible with the present and future logical development of the area.
- 5. The proposed project is exempt from CEQA in that in accordance with Sections 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction) and 15061 (b)(3) (Review for Exemption), there is no possibility that the activity (project) in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

# **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- 1. As of this writing (7/21/14), no public letters, in support or opposition have been received.
- 2. The project site is <u>not</u> located within:
  - a. An Historic Preservation District:
  - b. Agriculture Preserve;
  - c. A Redevelopment Area;
  - d. A High Fire area;
  - e. An Airport Influence Area;
- 3. The project site is located within:
  - Areas of Flooding Sensitivity;
  - b. San Andreas Fault Zone:
  - c. An Area of Liquefaction Potential (Moderate);
  - d. An Area Susceptible to Subsidence;
  - e. A Low Paleontological Sensitivity Area; and,
  - f. The boundaries of the Palm Springs Unified School District.
- The subject site is currently designated as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 668-120-018, 668-120-020, and 668-130-023.



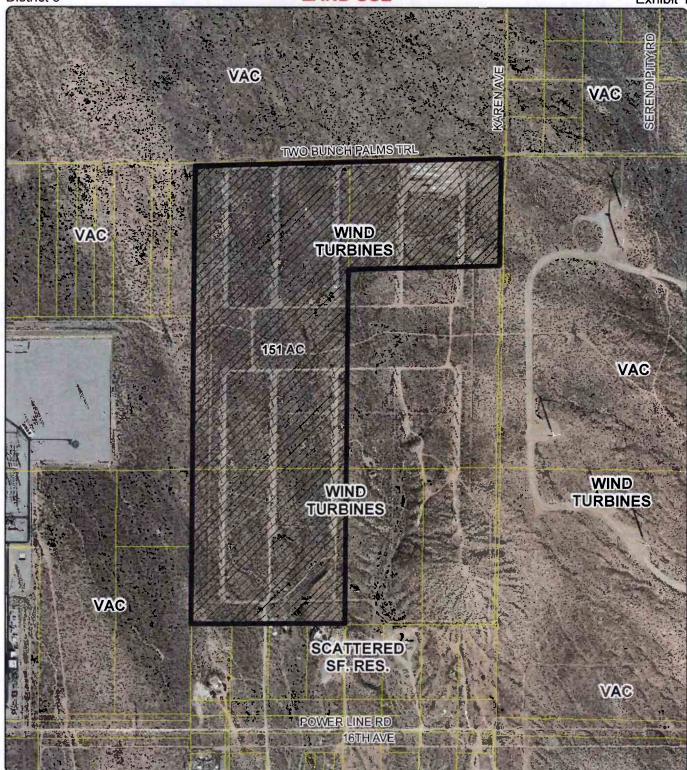
# RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT WCS00012S1

Supervisor Ashley District 5

LAND USE

Date Drawn: 06/25/2014

Exhibit 1



Zoning District: Pass & Desert Township/Range: T3SR4E

Section: 4

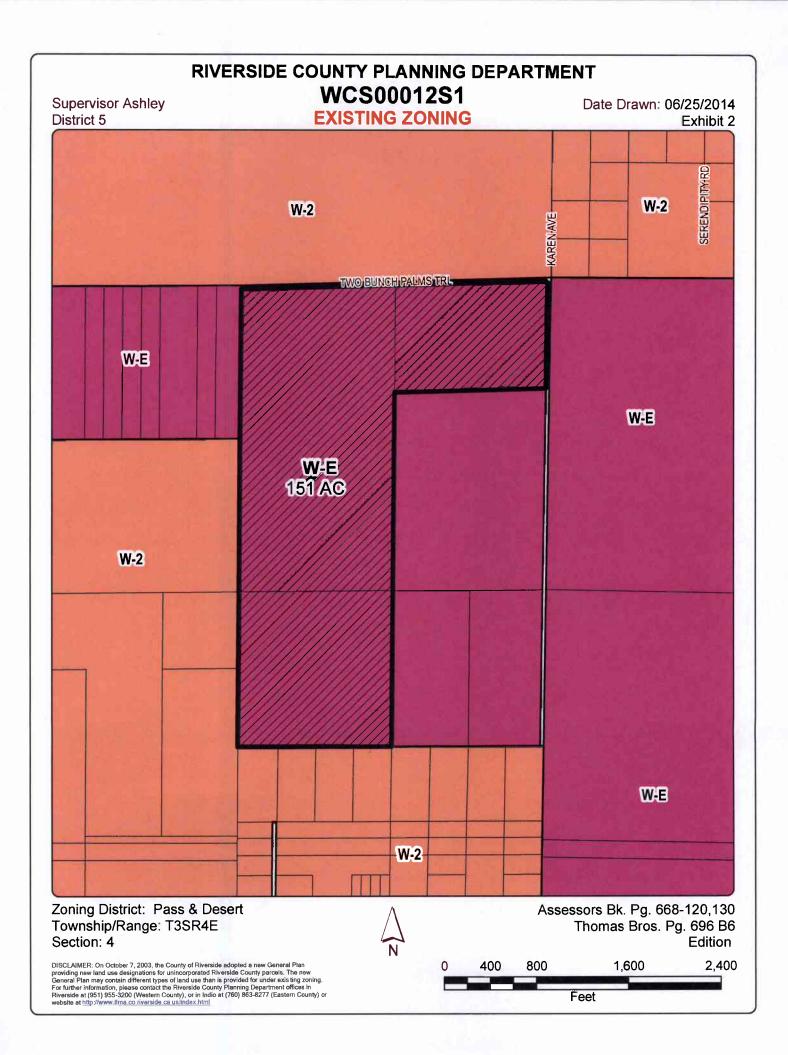
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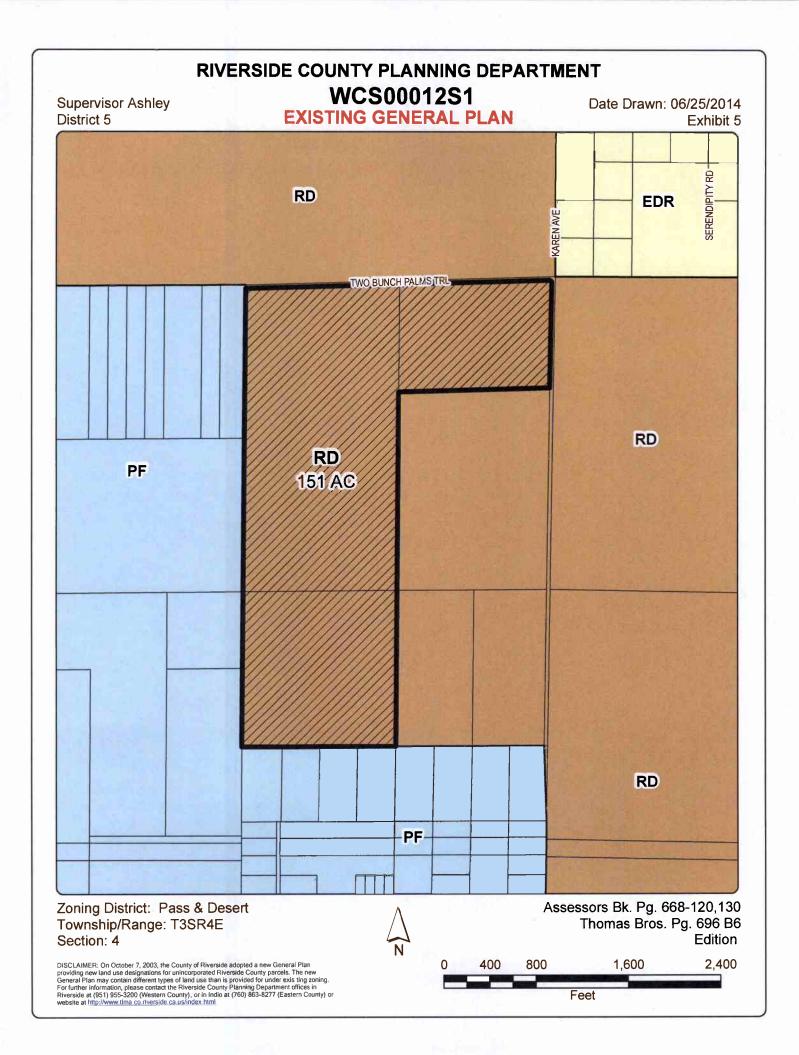
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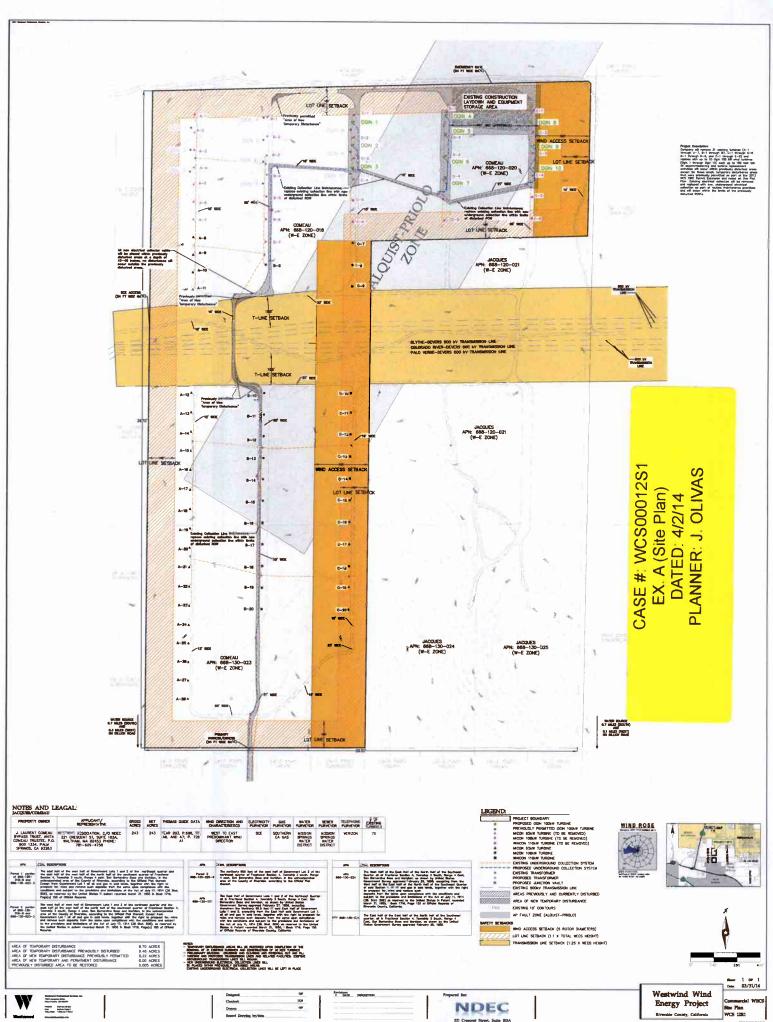
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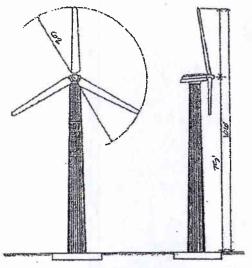
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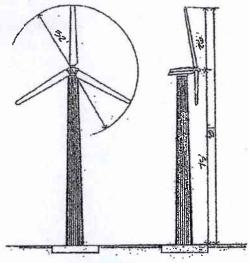




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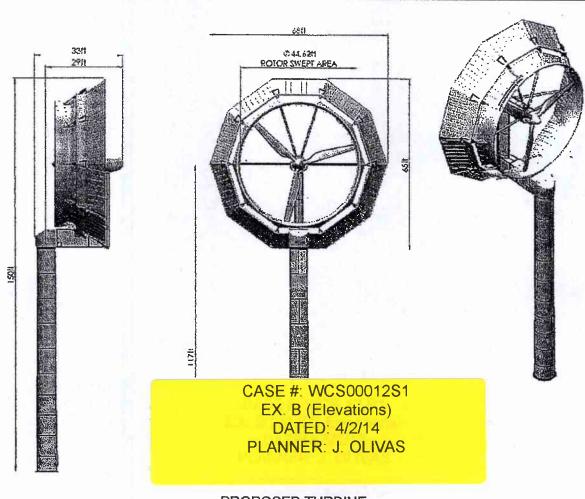


MICON 100 (108 kW) & WINCON (110 kW) 72' Tower



MICON 65 (65 kW) 72' Tower

# **EXISTING TURBINE**



PROPOSED TURBINE

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Parcel: 668-130-023

#### 10. GENERAL CONDITIONS

EVERY DEPARTMENT

10. EVERY. 1

USE - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

RECOMMND

The use hereby permitted is for a commercial WECS array with existing construction laydown and equipment storage area. This Substantial Conformance is for minor modifications to approved WECS Permit No. 12R1 by revising the location of the previosuly approved 10 Ogin FD 100 kilowatt turbines that have a maximum height of 150 feet (not currently constructed) approximately 1000 feet to the east within the WECS Permit No. 12R1 project area to accomodate a specialized wake measurement campaign. Additionally, the Substantial Conformance decommissions 31 existing wind turbines reducing the total number of turbines from 78 to 57 (includes 10 new Ogin turbines).

10. EVERY. 2 USE - HOLD HARMLESS

RECOMMND

The applicant/permittee or any successor-in-interest shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County of Riverside or its agents, officers, and employees (COUNTY) from the following:

- (a) any claim, action, or proceeding against the COUNTY to attack, set aside, void, or annul an approval of the COUNTY, its advisory agencies, appeal boards, or legislative body concerning the SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE; and,
- (b) any claim, action or proceeding against the COUNTY to attack, set aside, void or annul any other decision made by the COUNTY concerning the SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE, including, but not limited to, decisions made in response to California Public Records Act requests.

The COUNTY shall promptly notify the applicant/permittee of any such claim, action, or proceeding and shall cooperate fully in the defense. If the COUNTY fails to promptly notify the applicant/permittee of any such claim, action, or proceeding or fails to cooperate fully in the defense, the applicant/permittee shall not, thereafter, be responsible to defend, indemnify or hold harmless the COUNTY.

The obligations imposed by this condition include, but are not limited to, the following: the applicant/permittee shall pay all legal services expenses the COUNTY incurs in

# Riverside County LMS CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

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#### 10. GENERAL CONDITIONS

10. EVERY. 2 USE - HOLD HARMLESS (cont.)

RECOMMND

connection with any such claim, action or proceeding, whether it incurs such expenses directly, whether it is ordered by a court to pay such expenses, or whether it incurs such expenses by providing legal services through its Office of County Counsel.

10. EVERY. 3 USE - DEFINITIONS

RECOMMND

The words identified in the following list that appear in all capitals in the attached conditions of Commercial WECS Permit No. 12, Substantial Conformance No. 1 shall be henceforth defined as follows:

APPROVED EXHIBIT A = Exhibit A (Site Plan) and Exhibit B (WECS Elevation) dated April 2, 2014.

#### EPD DEPARTMENT

10.EPD. 1

#### - RESTORATION

RECOMMND

To avoid permanent impacts to special-status plant species (defined for the purpose of this measure as any plants of California Rare Plant Ranks 1A, 1B, or 2), areas of temporary disturbance will be restored through topsoil salvage and replacement and re-grading to pre-existing soil contours. Topsoil salvage will be conducted prior to other ground disturbing activities to remove the top 2-inches of soil, where seed would be present, and placed in a protected stockpile. Salvaged topsoil will be spread over all new disturbance areas after construction. At a minimum, all restoration areas will be maintained weed-free for a minimum of 3-years after completion of construction.

A reference site with existing conditions that are commensurate with the proposed temporary impact areas in terms of soil type(s), topography, vegetation, and proximity to the Project site will be identified. The reference site will be at least 3 times the acreage of the temporary impact area to be inclusive of all potentially occurring special-status plant species. A spring survey of the reference site will be conducted by a qualified biologist to determine presence/absence of each special-status plant species.

If no California Rare Plant Ranks 1A, 1B, or 2 plant species are detected on the reference site after three

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# 10. GENERAL CONDITIONS

10.EPD. 1

- RESTORATION (cont.)

RECOMMND

years of spring surveys, no mitigation will be required for the restoration site.

If California Rare Plant Ranks1 1A, 1B, or 2 plant species are detected on the reference site, for each such species deemed present, the survey will quantify (i) plant density, (ii) distribution, and (iii) population size. These three metrics will be translated into performance criteria for the restoration site where plant density and distribution will match the identified population metrics for each detected special-status plant species detected on the reference site.

Annual spring monitoring of the reference and restoration sites will be conducted by a qualified biologist to assess restoration success by comparing the density, distribution and population size metrics of each special-status plant species on the restoration and reference sites. Monitoring will occur for 3 years even in the absence of positive results to ensure absence of special-status plant species. Mitigation will be deemed successful when (i) the restoration site reflects California Rare Plant Ranks 1A, 1B, or 2 plant species density, distribution and population size metrics similar to those of the reference site; or (ii) after 3 years of negative survey results at the reference site for special-status plant species.

If California Rare Plant Ranks 1A, 1B, or 2 plant species are detected on the reference site and the restoration areas fail to meet the above performance criteria, remedial actions will be implemented to meet the criteria. Remedial actions will include seed collection from known populations of the same special-status plant species detected on the reference site that are not adequately represented on the restoration site. Seed will be collected no more than 10 miles from the restoration site. Seed application onto the restoration site will occur annually in the winter of each monitoring year for 3 years or until reference site population metrics are documented. If reseeding attempts fail after three applications, a conservation easement or purchase of conservation land with documented suitable habitat for the special-status plant species will be required at a 1:1 ratio.

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## 10. GENERAL CONDITIONS

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

10.FIRE. 1

PC-#01B-DESERT RESPONSIBLITY

RECOMMND

It is the responsiblity of the recipient of these Fire Department conditions to forward them to all interested parties. The building permit number is required on all correspondence from general contractor, superintendent, owner, subcontractors, etc.

Any questions contact the Riverside County Fire Department,

Planning 77933 Las Montanas Rd. Ste. 201, Palm Desert, CA 92211. Phone (760) 863-8886 Fax (760) 863-7072.

#### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

10.PLANNING. 1 USE - SUB CONF W/ ORIGINAL

RECOMMND

The Planning Department has determined this application to be substantially in conformance with the approved commercial WECS Permit No. 12, Revised Permit No. 1. All conditions approved with WECS Permit No. 12, Revised Permit No. 1 shall be considered to be valid and in effect, unless superseded by these conditions of approval.

10.PLANNING. 2 USE - SC SITE CHANGES

RECOMMND

Pursuant to approval of the SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE, the following changes are being made to the APPROVED EXHIBIT A of commercial WECS Permit No. 12, Revised Permit No. 1:

- 1) Amend the location of the previously approved 10 Ogin FD 100 kW turbines (unbuilt) to the east of their original locations as depicted on the attached WECS Exhibit.
- 2) Decommission 31 existing Micon turbines.

# 10.PLANNING. 3

USE - CAUSES FOR REVOCATION

RECOMMND

In the event the use hereby permitted under this permit, a) is found to be in violation of the terms and conditions of this permit,

- b) is found to have been obtained by fraud or perjured testimony, or
- c) is found to be detrimental to the public health, safety or general welfare, or is a public nuisance, this permit

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10. PLANNING. 3 USE - CAUSES FOR REVOCATION (cont.)

RECOMMND

shall be subject to the revocation procedures.

10.PLANNING. 4 WCS - MAXIMUM WECS

RECOMMND

A maximum total of up to 57 WECS, consisting of 47 existing Micon 65 kW, Micon 108 kW, and Wincon 110 kW turbines, and up to 10 new replacement Ogin turbines shall be allowed under this commercial WECS permit.

10.PLANNING. 5 WCS - WECS & TOWER SPECS

RECOMMND

The WECS and tower specifications approved under this commercial WECS permit include the following:

- a. WECS Manufacturer and Model Number: Micon 65 kW, Micon 108 kW, Wincon XT 110 kW, and Ogin 100 kW turbines.
- b. Total Height (WECS blade tip at 12:00 position): Up to maximum height of 150 feet.
- c. Rotor Diameter: 45' / 52' / 67'
- d. Rotor Orientation: Upwind
- e. Number of Blades: Three
- f. WECS Tower Design: Solid tubular
- g. Blade Design: No furling; tapered and twisted blades; airfoils designed to stall softly.

Any change or alteration in the above WECS and tower specifications will require approval of the Planning Department, pursuant to the appropriate procedures of Ordinance No. 348, prior to issuance of any building permits.

10.PLANNING. 6 WCS - OPERATIONAL NOISE

RECOMMND

The permittee shall comply with the following WECS permit operational noise standards:

a. WECS shall not create sound pressure levels in excess of the development criteria contained in Section 18.41d of Ordinance No. 348. All questions regarding the true meaning of these noise and sound pressure level standards shall be

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10 PLANNING. 6

WCS - OPERATIONAL NOISE (cont.)

RECOMMND

referred to the Environmental Health Department's, Office of Industrial Hygiene (hereafter Health Department). In the event noise or sound pressure levels exceed the above standards, the WECS operator shall take the necessary steps to remedy the situation, which may include discontinued operation.

b. The Health Department shall investigate WECS noise and sound pressure level complaints while this permit remains within the unincorporated jurisdiction of Riverside County. The Health Department representative may enter the property to investigate any noise complaints upon reasonable notice. At the time of investigation, the operator of the WECS array may be required to temporarily discontinue the operation of as many WECS as needed within the array at no cost to any government agency in order to allow the Health Department representative to make reasonable field evaluations.

# 10.PLANNING. 7

WCS - FAA RULES COMPLIANCE

RECOMMND

This permit shall at all times comply with Federal Aviation Administration rules and regulations. Should lighting be required, the permit holder shall obtain comments from the Planning Director prior to the installation thereof.

#### 10 PLANNING. 8

WCS - NO CONNECT W/O FINAL

RECOMMND

Excluding operating WECS currently interconnected to the electrical facilities of the Southern California Edison Company, no individual repalcement WECS shall be interconnected in any manner to the electrical facilities of the Southern California Edison Company, including, but not limited to, by means of an on-site substation, on-site electrical collection line or through the electrical equipment of any other commercial WECS permit, PRIOR TO FINAL INSPECTION APPROVAL by the Land Use Division of the Planning Department for the entire WECS array approved under this commercial WECS permit, or any phase thereof, as shown on an approved phasing plan. The permit holder may apply for a Temporary Power Permit from the Land Use Division prior to final inspection approval of the entire WECS array, or phase thereof, and the Land Use Division may issue such a permit in order to allow testing of WECS during limited periods of time for noise standard monitoring, uniform building code compliance and for other

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# 10. GENERAL CONDITIONS

10.PLANNING. 8 WCS - NO CONNECT W/O FINAL (cont.)

RECOMMND

reasons, as approved by the Land Use Division. The Director of the Department of Building and Safety, or his designee, may allow the interconnection of individual WECS, notwithstanding the above, if the Director determines that adequate safe guards exist to ensure compliance with all conditions of approval of this permit.

10.PLANNING. 9

WCS - UTILITY COORDINATION

RECOMMND

All distribution lines, electrical substations and other interconnection facilities shall be constructed to the specifications of the affected utility and state and federal standards. The permittee shall comply with the requirements of any other affected utility regarding acceptable encroachments within easements of record, and protection of gas transmission lines and other existing utility improvements.

10.PLANNING. 11

WCS - COMPLY W/ORD /EXHIBITS

RECOMMND

The development of the premises shall comply with Ordinance No. 348 standards and with all other applicable codes of the State of California and ordinances of Riverside County. The development of the premises shall be in conformance with the plans included within the APPROVED EXHIBIT A, on file in the office of the Riverside County Planning Department, unless otherwise amended by these conditions of approval.

10.PLANNING. 12 WCS - 90 DAYS TO PROTEST

RECOMMND

The project applicant has 90 days from the date of approval of these conditions to protest, in accordance with the procedures set forth in Government Code Section 66020, the imposition of any and all fees, dedications, reservations and/or other exactions imposed on this project as a result of this approval or conditional approval of this project.

# TRANS DEPARTMENT

10 TRANS 1

WCS - SETBACK REQUIREMENT

RECOMMND

In no case shall a building, structures or electrical substation be closer than 50-feet from any road right-of-way or lot line.

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# 10. GENERAL CONDITIONS

10.TRANS. 2

WCS - ENCROACHMENT PERMIT

RECOMMND

An ecroachment permit must be obtained from the Transportation Department prior to the commencement of any work within the County road right-of-way.

#### 20. PRIOR TO A CERTAIN DATE

#### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

20.PLANNING. 1 USE - UNDEVELOPED VOID DATE

RECOMMND

Notwithstanding any other condition of approval herein, this permit shall become null and void on July 1, 2018, as it applies to any undeveloped portion or any undeveloped phase(s) of this property; "undeveloped" shall mean where no lawful occupancy or structure exists. A notice to the Building and Safety Department concerning this condition shall be placed on this application to take effect on the date specified in this condition.

# 20.PLANNING. 3

WCS - LIFE OF PERMIT

RECOMMND

The life of Commercial WECS Permit No. 12 shall terminate on July 1, 2023, and the permit shall thereafter be null and void and of no effect whatsoever.

This commercial WECS permit is subject to Section 18.31 of Ordinance No. 348 (Permit Revocation).

#### 20.PLANNING. 4

USE - SUBSTANTIAL CONF USED

RECOMMND

This permit shall be considered used as of the day of the effective date. Should related commercial WECS Permit No. 12 become null and void, this substantial conformance shall become null and void.

# 60. PRIOR TO GRADING PRMT ISSUANCE

#### EPD DEPARTMENT

60.EPD. 1

- NESTING BIRD

RECOMMND

If construction begins during bird breeding season (i.e., February 15 through September 15), the Applicant shall retain a qualified biologist to conduct a nesting bird survey to determine the presence of nests or nesting birds during the breeding season within 100 feet of the

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60.EPD. 1

- NESTING BIRD (cont.)

RECOMMND

construction activities. The nesting bird surveys will be completed no more than 72 hours prior to any construction activities. The survey will focus on special-status species known to use the area as well as other nesting birds that are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. If an active nest (defined by the presence of eggs or young) is identified, grading or site disturbance within a 100-foot buffer of the nest will be monitored by a qualified biologist daily until Project activities are no longer occurring within 100 feet of the nest or until fledglings become independent of the nest. The monitoring biologist can increase the buffer radius if determined necessary. The monitoring biologist will halt construction activities determined to be disturbing nesting activities. The monitor will make practicable recommendations to reduce the noise or disturbance in the vicinity of the nest. This can include recommendations such as (1) turning off vehicle engines and other equipment whenever possible to reduce noise, (2) working in other areas until the young have fledged, or (3) placing noise barriers to maintain the noise at the nest to 60 dBA Leq hourly or less or to the preconstruction ambient noise level if that exceeds 60 dBA Leq hourly. The on-site biologist will review and verify compliance with these nesting boundaries and will verify that the nesting effort has finished. Construction activities restricted by this measure can resume when no other active nests are found within the restricted area.

## 60.EPD. 2

#### - REPTILE MONITORING

RECOMMND

During construction activities within undisturbed areas that are identified in the grading plans as new disturbance, the applicant shall have a County approved biologist monitor for reptile activity prior to moving any vehicles, or similar sized equipment. The biologist will check the base of vehicles and equipment for the presence of reptile species. If reptiles are encountered the animal will be let to move away on its own or a biologist will carefully move the individual to a safe location. There will be no collecting of reptiles at any time during project activities. All reptiles will be left on site and a monitoring biologist will be present to ensure compliance with any measures.

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## 60. PRIOR TO GRADING PRMT ISSUANCE

60.EPD. 3

#### - MAMMAL MONITORING

RECOMMND

Prior to construction activities within undisturbed areas that are identified in the grading plans as new disturbance, a biologist will flag all active mammal burrows on the Project site and monitor construction activities. Construction activities will avoid flagged burrows to the extent feasible to ensure minimal impacts to sensitive species. If within 200 feet of construction activities, a previously observed woodrat midden will be flagged, monitored, and avoided during construction activities.

# 60.EPD. 4

#### - BIOLOGICAL MONITORING

RECOMMND

Prior to issuance of a grading permit, the applicant shall contract with a biologist to provide biological monitoring for compliance with 60.EPD.1 through 60.EPD.4.A biologist, who holds an MOU with the County of Riverside, shall submit a monitoring plan for areas identified on the grading plans as new disturbance or previously undisturbed areas as indicated on exhibits for this substantial conformance to the Riverside County Planning Department, Environmental Programs Division (EPD) for review and approval.

## PLANNING DEPARTMENT

60.PLANNING. 2 WCS - PALEO PRIMP & MONITOR

RECOMMND

This site is mapped in the County's General Plan as having a High potential for paleontological resources (fossils). Proposed project site grading/earthmoving activities could potentially impact this resource. HENCE:

# PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF GRADING PERMITS:

- 1. The applicant shall retain a qualified paleontologist approved by the County of Riverside to create and implement a project-specific plan for monitoring site grading/earthmoving activities (project paleontologist) within undisturbed areas that are identified in the grading plans as new disturbance.
- 2. The project paleontologist retained shall review the approved development plan and grading plan and shall conduct any pre-construction work necessary to render appropriate monitoring and mitigation requirements as appropriate. These requirements shall be documented by the

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# 60. PRIOR TO GRADING PRMT ISSUANCE

60.PLANNING. 2

WCS - PALEO PRIMP & MONITOR (cont.)

RECOMMND

project paleontologist in a Paleontological Resource Impact Mitigation Program (PRIMP). This PRIMP shall be submitted to the County Geologist for review and approval prior to issuance of a Grading Permit.

Information to be contained in the PRIMP, at a minimum and in addition to other industry standards and Society of Vertebrate Paleontology standards, are as follows:

- 1. Description of the proposed site and planned grading operations.
- 2.Description of the level of monitoring required for all earth-moving activities in the project area.
- 3. Identification and qualifications of the qualified paleontological monitor to be employed for grading operations monitoring.
- 4. Identification of personnel with authority and responsibility to temporarily halt or divert grading equipment to allow for recovery of large specimens.
- 5.Direction for any fossil discoveries to be immediately reported to the property owner who in turn will immediately notify the County Geologist of the discovery.
- 6. Means and methods to be employed by the paleontological monitor to quickly salvage fossils as they are unearthed to avoid construction delays.
- 7. Sampling of sediments that are likely to contain the remains of small fossil invertebrates and vertebrates.
- 8. Procedures and protocol for collecting and processing of samples and specimens.
- 9. Fossil identification and curation procedures to be employed.
- 10. Identification of the permanent repository to receive any recovered fossil material. \*Pursuant the County of Riverside "SABER Policy", paleontological fossils found in the County of Riverside should, by preference, be directed to the Western Science Center in the City of Hemet. A written agreement between the property owner/developer and

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# 60. PRIOR TO GRADING PRMT ISSUANCE

60.PLANNING. 2 WCS - PALEO PRIMP & MONITOR (cont.) (cont.) RECOMMND

the repository must be in place prior to site grading.

- 11.All pertinent exhibits, maps and references.
- 12. Procedures for reporting of findings.
- 13. Identification and acknowledgement of the developer for the content of the PRIMP as well as acceptance of financial responsibility for monitoring, reporting and curation fees. The property owner and/or applicant on whose land the paleontological fossils are discovered shall provide appropriate funding for monitoring, reporting, delivery and curating the fossils at the institution where the fossils will be placed, and will provide confirmation to the County that such funding has been paid to the institution.

All reports shall be signed by the project paleontologist and all other professionals responsible for the report's content (eg. Professional Geologist), as appropriate. wet-signed original copies of the report(s) shall be submitted to the office of the County Geologist along with a copy of this condition and the grading plan for appropriate case processing and tracking. These documents should not be submitted to the project Planner, the Plan Check staff, the Land Use Counter or any other County office. In addition, the applicant shall submit proof of hiring (i.e. copy of executed contract, retainer agreement, etc.) a project paleontologist for the in-grading implementation of the PRIMP.

#### 60.PLANNING. 3 USE - REMOVAL PLAN

RECOMMND

Prior to grading permit issuance, the permit holder shall provide a letter from a licensed professional to the Planning Deparmtment describing demolition methods, transport methods, and timelines for the removal of the 31 existing Micon turbines in accordance with county ordinances.

#### 60.PLANNING. 4 WCS - DUST CONTROL

RECOMMND

Fugitive dust and blowsand control measures, shall be incorporated into the construction and operation activities of this permit in addition to any dust control measures as issued by the Director of the Department of Building and Safety.

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#### 70. PRIOR TO GRADING FINAL INSPECT

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

70.PLANNING. 1 WCS - FAULT LOCATION CLEARANCE

RECOMMND

PRIOR TO THE GRADING PERMIT FINAL, THE LOCATION OF EVERY PROPOSED TURBINE SHALL BE INVESTIGATED AND VERIFIED TO BE VOID OF ACTIVE FAULTS. A REPORT OF FINDINGS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY GEOLOGIST FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.

70 PLANNING. 3

WCS - PALEO MONITORING REPORT

RECOMMND

### PRIOR TO GRADING FINAL:

The applicant shall submit to the County Geologist one wet-signed copy of the Paleontological Monitoring Report prepared for site grading operations at this site. The report shall be certified by the professionally-qualified Paleontologist responsible for the content of the report. This Paleontologist must be on the County's Paleontology Consultant List. The report shall contain a report of findings made during all site grading activities and an appended itemized list of fossil specimens recovered during grading (if any) and proof of accession of fossil materials into the pre-approved museum repository. In addition, all appropriate fossil location information shall be submitted to the Western Center, the San Bernardino County Museum and Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History, at a minimum, for incorporation into their Regional Locality Inventories.

## 80. PRIOR TO BLDG PRMT ISSUANCE

BS PLNCK DEPARTMENT

80.BS PLNCK. 1 USE - DEMO PERMITS REQUIRED

INEFFECT

The project scope includes the removal of thirty one (31) existing turbines. The applicant shall obtain the demolition permits for all thirty one (31) turbines to be removed. All foundations identified for removal in the approved building permit site plans are to removed at a depth of at least three feet below the surface.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

80.FIRE. 1

WCS-WIND TURBINE TOWERS

INEFFECT

The following areas shall be cleared of vegetation and maintained as a fire/fuel break as long as the generators

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# 80. PRIOR TO BLDG PRMT ISSUANCE

80.FIRE. 1

WCS-WIND TURBINE TOWERS (cont.)

INEFFECT

are in operation:

- a) Thirty (30) feet around the periphery of the project. Access roads that completely surround the project may satisfy this requirement, if approved by the Fire Department.
- b) Ten (10) radius feet around all transformers and wind turbine towers. c) Thirty (30) feet around all buildings.
- ) All buildings or equipment enclosures of substantial size containing control panels, switching equipment, or transmission equipment, and no regular human occupancy, shall be equipped with an automatic fire extinguishing system of a Halon or dry chemical type. This requirement shall not apply to the Nacells. Plans for such systems must be submitted to the Fire Department for review or approval.

#### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

80 PLANNING. 1

WCS - FAULT LOCATION CLEARANCE

RECOMMND

PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS, THE LOCATION OF EVERY PROPOSED TURBINE SHALL BE INVESTIGATED AND VERIFIED TO BE VOID OF ACTIVE FAULTS. A REPORT OF FINDINGS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY GEOLOGIST FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.

80.PLANNING. 4

USE - CONFORM TO ELEVATIONS

RECOMMND

Elevations of all WECS submitted for building plan check approval shall be in substantial conformance with the elevations shown on APPROVED EXHIBIT A.

80.PLANNING. 7

WCS - REMOVAL PLAN

RECOMMND

Prior to building permit issuance, the applicant shall submit a letter from a licensed professional to the Planning Department describing demolition methods, transport methods and timelines for the removal of 31 existing Micon turbines.

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#### 80. PRIOR TO BLDG PRMT ISSUANCE

TRANS DEPARTMENT

80.TRANS. 1

WCS - SETBACK REQUIREMENT

RECOMMND

In no case shall a building, structures or electrical substation be closer than 50-feet from any road right-of-way or lot line.

#### 90. PRIOR TO BLDG FINAL INSPECTION

FIRE DEPARTMENT

90.FIRE. 1 FINAL INSPECTION

INEFFECT

Prior to occupancy a Fire Department inspection is required to verify all conditions stated at plan check are met.

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### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

90.PLANNING. 2 USE - VERIFY REMOVAL OF WECS RECOMMND

Prior to final building inspection of last new turbine under this substantial conformance permit, the permit holder shall submit a letter from a licensed professional that the 31 existing Micon turbines have been removed entirely from the site in accordance with county ordinances.

90.PLANNING. 3 WCS - COMPLY W/ALL REQUIREMNTS

RECOMMND

The permit holder shall provide written certification from a state licensed professional verifying that all WECS and towers comply with required setbacks, such as but not limited to, WECS safety setbacks, WECS wind access setbacks and WECS scenic setbacks, and verifying that all WECS and towers comply with the height restrictions indicated in this permit.

The Planning Department may require further verification by inspection by county staff.

The permit holder shall submit a written certification from

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90. PRIOR TO BLDG FINAL INSPECTION

TRANS DEPARTMENT

90.TRANS. 1 WCS - SETBACK REQUIREMENT

RECOMMND

In no case shall a building, structures or electrical substation be closer than 50-feet from any road right-of-way or lot line.

# Olivas, Jay

From:

Olivas, Jay

Sent:

Wednesday, June 18, 2014 3:42 PM

To:

Martin Magana (mmagana@cityofdhs.org)

Subject:

**WECS 12** 

**Attachments:** 

2014-04-11 Westwind Plot Plan-MET Towers Signed.pdf; Initial Transmital Form.docx; Description of Change WCS 12R1 2014 0609 (3).docx; Initial Transmital Form.docx; Site

Plan.pdf

Martin,

Please note this property is shifting some of the new unbuilt turbines and adding some met towers.

We sent transmittal back on May 8th and want to be sure you received.

Don't believe you have any comments or please let us know.

Regards,

Jay Olivas, Project Planner Riverside County Planning Dept. 760-863-7050



# PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Carolyn Syms Luna Director

# SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE APPLICATION FOR LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WIL	L NOT BE ACCEPTED.				
CASE NUMBER:WC	S 00012B151	-0-	DATE SUI	BMITTED:	April 2, 2014
APPLICATION INFORMA	TION				
Applicant's Name: Westwind	Association		E-Mail: _		
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The Planning Department will primarily direct communications regarding this application to the person identified above as the Applicant. The Applicant may be the property owner, representative, or other

assigned agent.

# APPLICATION FOR SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE PROPERTY INFORMATION: 668120018; 668120020; 668130023 Assessor's Parcel Number(s): Township: 3 South Range: 4 East Section: 4 151 Approximate Gross Acreage: General location (nearby or cross streets): North of Power Line Road \_\_\_\_, East of Diablo Road Pierson Boulevard Year 2003, P.696, B6, A6, and A7; P.726 A1 Thomas Brothers map, edition year, page number, and coordinates: Have there been any prior requests for substantial conformance? Yes \( \square\) No There have been no prior requests. If ves. of what nature? Describe the existing uses, structures, buildings, and/or entitlements. What is the nature and extent of current substantial conformance request and the reason(s) necessitating the changes(s): (use additional pages if necessary.) The Westwind Association proposes to amend the location of the previously permitted 10 Ogin FD100 kW turbines. Up to 10 Ogin turbines will be installed east of the original locations, as shown on the attached Plot Plan. In addition, the Westwind Association proposes to decommission 31 of the existing turbines. These changes are needed to conduct a wake measurement campaign for Ogin's 100 kW turbine. The signature below acknowledges that fees collected in excess of the actual cost of providing specific services will be refunded. If additional funds are needed to complete the processing of your application, you will be billed, and processing of the application will cease until the outstanding balance is paid and sufficient funds are available to continue the processing of the application. The applicant understands the deposit fee process as described above, and that there will be NO refund of fees which have been expended as part of the application review or other related activities or services, even if the application is withdrawn or the application is ultimately denied. All signatures must be originals ("wet-signed"). Photocopies of signatures are not acceptable **AUTHORITY FOR THIS APPLICATION IS HEREBY GIVEN:**

I certify that I am/we are the record owner(s) or authorized agent and that the information filed is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. An authorized agent must submit a letter from the owner(s) indicating authority to sign the application on the owner's behalf.

All signatures must be originals ("wet-signed"). Photocopies of signatures are not acceptable.

## APPLICATION FOR SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE

PRINTED NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER(S)	SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER(S)
Anita Comeau Trustee	(Anita) Srustee
PRINTED NAME OF PROPERTY OWNER(S)	SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER(S)

If the subject property is owned by persons who have not signed as owners above, attach a separate sheet that references the application case number and lists the printed names and signatures of all persons having an interest in the property.

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

The following instructions are intended to provide the necessary information and procedures to facilitate the processing of a Substantial Conformance application. Your cooperation with these instructions will insure that your application can be processed in the most expeditious manner possible.

## THE SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE FILING PACKAGE MUST CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. One completed and signed application form.
- 2. One copy of the current legal description for each property involved. A copy of a grant deed of each property involved.
- 3. Fifteen (15) copies of a site plan of the entire parcel (e.g. all of a shopping center even if the substantial conformance is only for one store within a shopping center).
- 4. One copy (two, if submitted in the Desert office) of a floor plan delineating the types of usage (e.g. office, storage, sales area, etc).
- Applicable deposit-based fees.

# CRITERIA FOR REVIEW FOR SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMANCE

A Substantial Conformance application can be used to modify an approved, valid, permit, such as a plot plan, conditional use permit, public use permit, second unit permit, variance, surface mining permit, reclamation plan, or wind energy conversion systems permit (WECS), provided the current and/or proposed use is in conformance with the subject site's zoning classification and General Plan designation. A Substantial Conformance application cannot be used to modify an approved, valid parcel map or tract map.

A Substantial Conformance is a request for a non-substantial modification of an approved permit that does not change the original approval or the effect of the approval on surrounding property. A Substantial Conformance may include, but is not limited to, modifications for upgrading facilities, modifications for compliance with the requirements of other public agencies, modifications necessary to comply with final conditions of approval, or modifications to on-site circulation and parking, lighting, fencing or walls, landscaping and/or signage requirements, provided that said modifications, as determined by the Planning Director, will have no adverse effect upon public health, safety, welfare, and/or the environment.



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# Substantial Conformance for Land Use and Development Case Number: WCS 00012R1 Project Name: Westwind Energy Project

#### SUMMARY OF THE CHANGE

New Dimension Energy Company (NDEC), which owns the Westwind Energy Project, is submitting an application of Substantial Conformance for Land Use and Development to the Riverside County Planning Department. The application is related specifically to commercial WCS 00012R1 and seeks approval to proceed with the decommissioning of 31 turbines and replacement with 10 Ogin (Formerly FloDesign) 100kW wind turbines.

#### **DETAILS**

In May 2013, NDEC submitted two permit applications to extend existing commercial wind energy conversion systems (WECS) Permits WCS 00011R1 and WCS 00012R1 each for a ten year period. Additionally, the application for WCS 00012R1 requested the option to decommission 12 existing wind turbines and replace them with 10 Ogin 100kW turbines. As shown on the corresponding Plot Plan, the 12 turbines proposed to be replaced (A-1 through A-4, B-1 through B-4, and C-1 through C-4) are in the northwest corner of WCS 00012R1, on assessor's parcel number (APN) 668-120-018. The proposed 10 Ogin 100kW turbines were to be constructed in the same general locations as the turbines to be decommissioned.

However, in January 2014, after the approved WECS Permits had been received, NDEC determined that the location of the originally proposed 10 Ogin 100 kW replacement turbines (Ogin 1 through Ogin 10) needed to be relocated approximately 300 meters (1,000 feet) further east within the WCS 00012R1 project area to accommodate a specialized wake measurement campaign specific to the Ogin mixer-ejector wind turbine (MEWT). While many wake campaigns have been conducted on "conventional" horizontal axis wind turbines (HAWT), this campaign represents the first for a MEWT. The measurement campaign is comprehensive and will utilize strategically sited, state-of-the-art scanning lidars (mobile units) and temporary meteorological towers upwind, within, and downwind of the Ogin test array. As specified in the original WECS Permits, the Ogin turbines are arranged similar to the existing turbines as three (3) successive north-south oriented rows and located adjacent to the existing array's access roads. This configuration is designed to address the key objectives of the measurement campaign, which includes characterizing the single and multi-turbine wake structures at increasing downwind distances, as well as monitoring turbine performance under these conditions.

A key wake campaign test site requirement is that the wind flow entering the test area is subject to minimal or no upwind flow disturbances. In this case, there are two (2) Mitsubishi 1.0 MW, 62-meter (203 foot) rotor diameter (RD) wind turbines approximately 700 meters (2,300 feet) upwind (west) of the originally permitted turbine locations. This distance equates to an approximate 11 RD separation distance between Iberdrola's Dillon turbines and Ogin's proposed test turbines. As specified in International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) standard 61400-12-1, the International Standard document for wind turbine power curve testing, a 20 RD separation distance is required from an "obstacle" (here, "turbine") for the flow disturbance to be acceptable. Applying the Standard here as a guide, at nearly half the IEC specified setback, the wake-induced flow disturbance from the upwind Dillon turbines significantly impacts the ability to isolate the Ogin wind turbine wake structure, and as



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such, the original array configuration is not suitable. Further, the upwind scanning lidar, a key reference to defining the test area's inflow conditions, will be located 300 meters upwind from the Ogin array. This places the unit approximately 6 RD from the Dillon wind turbines, an area subjected to a significantly higher wake-induced flow disturbance, and on land that Westwind does not own or lease. At the revised easterly Ogin turbine locations, the Dillon turbine setback is increased to 16 rotor diameters. At this distance the flow disturbance will be reduced to an acceptable level, can be accurately quantified, and importantly, all measurement campaign monitoring stations are within the confines of the Westwind property boundary. In summary, the newly proposed locations represent the only locations on WCS 00012R1 that are suitable for this campaign.

As Illustrated on the accompanying Plot Plan, NDEC now proposes to decommission 31 existing turbines (A-1 through A-7, B-1 through B-7, C-1 through C-6, D-1 through D-5, and E-1 through E-6). The 12 turbines originally proposed to be decommissioned represent a subset of the newly proposed 31 turbines to be decommissioned. In addition to existing turbines in rows 3, 4, and 5 that are to be decommissioned, existing turbines in rows 1 and 2 also need to be decommissioned to create a free flow of wind, upwind from the proposed 10 Ogin 100 kW wind turbines. All of the existing wind turbines in rows 3, 4, and 5 will be removed, and all foundations in these rows will be removed. However, while 13 turbines will be removed in rows 1 and 2, Ogin plans to leave these foundations in place for potential future use.

Three of the 10 proposed Ogin 100 kW wind turbines (Ogin 1 through Ogin 3) will be located in relatively the same locations as the previously permitted turbines in this row, and the remaining 7 turbines (Ogin 4 through Ogin 10) are now proposed to be located in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> rows, on APN 668-120-020.

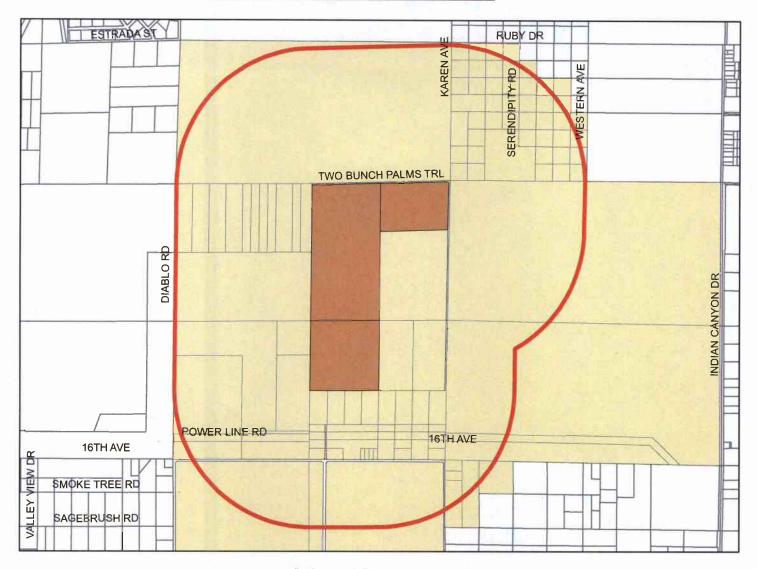
### **NO NEW IMPACTS**

The repositioning of the proposed 10 Ogin 100 kW wind turbines will not create any additional new, temporary disturbance as all decommissioning and turbine replacement activities will occur within previously disturbed project areas, except for those small, temporary disturbance areas that were previously permitted as part of the 2013 WCS 00012R1 permit extension. Existing underground electrical collection conductors and conduit between the proposed 10 Ogin 100 kW wind turbines will be removed and replaced with new, underground electrical collection conductors as part of routine maintenance practices and all maintenance activities will occur within the limits of the previously disturbed rights-of-way.

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The attached prope	erty owners list was prepared by	Riverside County GIS,
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Pursuant to applic	cation requirements furnished	by the Riverside County Planning Department,
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# RIVERSIDE COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
TO: ☐ Office of Planning and Research (OPR) P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 County of Riverside County Clerk  FROM: Riverside County Planning Department ☐ 4080 Lemon Street, 12th Floor P. O. Box 1409 Riverside, CA 92502-1409
Project Title/Case No.: Commercial WECS Permit No. 12, Substantial Conformance No. 1
Project Location: In the unincorporated area of Riverside County, North Palm Springs, Two Bunch Palms Trail, Diablo Road
Project Description: Substantial Conformance Conformance proposes minor modifications to approved WECS Permit No. 12R1 by revising the location of the previously approved 10 Ogin 100 kilowatt replacement wind turbines that have a maximum height of 150 feet (not currently constructed approximately 1,000 feet to the east within the WECS Permit No. 12R1 project area to accommodate a specialized wake measurement campaigned Additionally, the Substantial Conformance proposes to decommission and remove 31 existing wind turbines reducing the total number of turbines from 78 to 57 (includes 10 new Ogin turbines). APN's: 668-120-018, 668-120-020, and 668-130-023.
Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Riverside County Planning Department
Project Applicant & Address: Westwind Association 221 Crescent St. Ste. 10 Waltham, MA 02453
Exempt Status: (Check one)
Reasons why project is exempt: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines Sections 15302 and 15061(b)(3 the Riverside County Planning Department has determined that the project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA. The project involves the removand replacement of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the approved WECS Permit No. 121 and will have substantially the same purpose and negligible or no expansion of capacity as the structures replaced. In this instance, thirty-one agi wind energy turbines will be removed and only 10 new wind energy turbines will be constructed within the same site as the approved WECS Permit No. 12R1. Also, there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment in that the relocation of previous approved un-built wind turbines approximately 1000 feet to the east are in relatively same locations as existing turbines along turbine Rows C, D, and along prior disturbed service roads and replacement turbines are of similar height at 150 feet maximum and within the same approved projection of the environment.
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