

**AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION HEARING
REPORT OF ACTIONS
DECEMBER 8, 2011**

12-22-11

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Simon Housman, Rod Ballance, Art Butler, Glen Holmes, John Lyon, Richard Stewart

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Greg Pettis

2.0 PUBLIC HEARING: CONTINUED CASE

- 2.1 Staff report recommended: **CONTINUE TO 1-12-12**
- Staff recommended at hearing: **CONTINUE TO 1-12-12**
- ALUC Commission Action: **CONTINUED TO 1-12-12 (Vote 6-0, absent: Pettis)**
- ZAP1007BL11 – Gila Farm Land, LLC (Representative: Rupal Patel) – County Case No.: Conditional Use Permit 3670, City Case No.: To Be Determined** - A proposal to construct a 485 megawatt solar photovoltaic electric generating facility and associated facilities on 3,645 acres, including three electrical substations, two operations and maintenance buildings, inverters, transformers, 34.5 kV distribution lines, and associated switchgear located on either side of Interstate-10, generally located westerly of Neighbors Boulevard, northerly of 20th Avenue, and southerly of 10th Avenue within the land use jurisdictions of the County of Riverside and City of Blythe (Compatibility Zones B1, C, D, and E of the Blythe Municipal Airport Influence Area). Continued from October 13, 2011. ALUC Staff Planner: Russell Brady at (951) 955-0549, or e-mail at rbrady@rctlma.org.

3.0 PUBLIC HEARING: 9:30 A.M.

- 3.1 Staff report recommended: **APPROVAL** of the Negative Declaration, **ADOPTION** of the 2011 Amendment to the 2007 FVALUCP, and **DIRECT** preparation of a resolution memorializing this action.
- ZAPEA02FV10 – ALUC Initiative** – The Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission will consider whether to adopt a Negative Declaration, prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, for the proposed 2011 Amendment to the 2007 French Valley Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (“2007 FVALUCP”) and whether to adopt the 2011 Amendment.

Staff recommended at hearing: **APPROVAL** of the Negative Declaration, **ADOPTION** of the 2011 Amendment to the 2007 FVALUCP, and **DIRECT** preparation of a resolution memorializing this action.

The 2011 Amendment would revise the boundaries of Airport Land Use Compatibility Zones (A, B1, B2, C, D, and E) identified in the previously adopted 2007 FVALUCP to reflect the removal and deletion of the previously planned (but never built) secondary runway from the French Valley Airport Master Plan. As the 2011 Amendment proposes to reconfigure the Compatibility Zones, the proposed amendment would modify the applicability of the previously adopted 2007 FVALUCP to various properties within the French Valley Airport Influence Area ("AIA"). The proposed amendment, however, would not change the development restrictions

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ALUC Commission Action:
APPROVED Negative
Declaration, **ADOPTED** 2011
Amendment to the 2007
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memorializing this action. **(Vote
6-0, absent: Pettis)**

or criteria established for each Compatibility Zone by the 2007 FVALUCP. The 2011 Amendment also would revise projected noise level contour maps around the Airport and make changes to informational tables in the 2007 FVALUCP to reflect adoption of the French Valley Airport Master Plan and changes to airport features and activity since 2002. French Valley Airport is located easterly of Winchester Road and southerly of Auld Road. The AIA includes properties in the cities of Murrieta and Temecula, and unincorporated Riverside County. ALUC Staff Planner: John Guerin at (951) 955-0982, or e-mail at jguerin@rctlma.org.

4.0 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

4.1 Director's Approvals – Information Only

4.2 2012 Commission Meeting Schedule – The Commissioners discussed whether to plan for dark months in advance, or to meet monthly unless there was no workload. Ultimately, the Commission decided to assign dark months, but remain flexible. Chairman Housman directed staff to plan the 2012 schedule with dark months in August and November, but subject to change depending on case load.

5.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The October 13, 2011 minutes were approved by a vote of 5-0. Abstained: Commissioner Holmes; Absent: Commissioner Pettis

6.0 ORAL COMMUNICATION ON ANY MATTER NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

7.0 COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Vice Chairman Rod Ballance announced that the President promoted Brigadier General Mark A. Kyle, Commander, 4th Air Force Reserve Command, to the rank of a Major General.

Commissioner Holmes commented on the importance of colon cancer screening.

Chairman Housman commented that he is still actively communicating with anybody and everybody he can find about multi-modal or freight activity out of Jacqueline Cochran Airport. There was an announcement that a new refrigerated warehouse is being built at LAX. He commented that such a facility should be built closer to Imperial Valley, so that agricultural products could be transported by air from Jacqueline Cochran Airport. This would eliminate the need to drive 100 miles to LAX.

Chairman Housman adjourned the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

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