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Campo Wind project with Boulder Brush Facilities
DEIR SCH#2019029094

Ms. Susan Harris Land Use / Environmental Planner County of San Diego 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 310 San Diego, CA 92123

Dear Ms. Harris:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Campo Wind project with Boulder Brush Facilities located near Interstate 8 (I-8) and Ribbonwood Drive. The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability. The Local Development-Intergovernmental Review (LD-IGR) Program reviews land use projects and plans to ensure consistency with our mission and state planning priorities.

Caltrans has the following comments:

- 1. Section 7-RECOMMENDED MITIGATION MEASURES, M-TR-A: The proposed mitigation measure for flagging operations for the peak construction phase of the project will require the submittal of a Traffic Control plan for flagging operations within Caltrans Right of Way along with an Encroachment Permit.
- 2. Section 7-RECOMMENDED MITIGATION MEASURES, M-TR-C: Please provide us with a copy of the proposed Traffic Control and Management Plan (TCMP) for our review during the Encroachment Permit application phase of the project for our review and comment.
- 3. We recommend the applicant perform an initial and a final site inspection at the intersections of Crestwood Road/I-8 Westbound Ramp, Crestwood Road/I-8 Eastbound Ramp, Ribbonwood Road/I-8 Westbound Ramp, and Ribbonwood

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Road/I-8 Eastbound Ramp to determine the quality of the roads before and after construction due to the expected increased number of construction vehicles and oversized equipment traveling within Caltrans Right of Way (R/W) and if impacts occur they should be properly mitigated.

4. We recommend that the minimum vertical clearance between I-8 and the proposed wire over the interstate meets the CPUC codes.

Encroachment Permits - Please see Chapter 600 of the Encroachment Permits Manual for requirements regarding utilities and state R/W:

https://dot.ca.gov-

<u>media/dotmedia/programs/trafficoperations/documents/encroachment-permits/epmanual-combined.pdf</u>

Any work performed within Caltrans R/W will require discretionary review and approval by Caltrans and an encroachment permit will be required for any work within the Caltrans R/W prior to construction.

Additional information regarding encroachment permits may be obtained by contacting the Caltrans Permits Office at (619) 688-6158 or by visiting the website at http://www.dot.ca.gov/trafficops/ep/index.html. Early coordination with Caltrans is strongly advised for all encroachment permits.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark McCumsey, of the Caltrans Development Review Branch, at (619) 688-6802 or by e-mail sent to mark.mccumsey@dot.ca.gov

Sincerely,

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