NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

by the

EAST COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS, for CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PLN2017-00201

SAND HILL WIND LLC, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PLN2017-00201 ~ Application to allow repowering of an estimated 671 existing or previously existing wind energy turbine sites with up to 40 new turbines with a maximum production capacity of 144.5 megawatts (MW), using turbines rated between 2.3 and 3.8 MW (potentially up to 4.0 MW) per turbine, on fifteen (15) contiguous or nearly contiguous parcels separated by roads, aqueducts and the Bethany Reservoir on approximately 2,600 acres in the eastern portion of the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area of Alameda County, bordering both sides of Altamont Pass Road west of Grant Line Road, both sides of Mountain House Road north of Grant Line Road, generally west of Bethany Reservoir and southeast of the intersection of Christensen and Bruns Roads, bearing Assessor's Parcel Numbers: 99B-7750-6; 99B-6325-1-4; 99B-6325-1-3; 99B-7375-1-7; 99B-7400-1-5; 99B-7300-1-5; 99B-7050-4-6; 99B-7050-1-9; 99B-7050-4-1: 99B-7350-2-1; 99B-7350-2-15; 99B-7350-2-15; 99B-7500-3-2; 99B-7500-3-1; and 99B-7600-1-1.

The Project is broadly consistent with the Repowering Program that was the subject of a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for Repowering the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area (APWRA) certified by the East County Board of Zoning Adjustments on November 12, 2014, and is therefore reviewed as a tiered project with a Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) pursuant to Section 15162 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. The SEIR establishes that the Project is appropriate to be reviewed as within the overall scope of the APWRA Repowering Program as defined in the PEIR. The SEIR is intended to inform public agency decision-makers and the public of the significant environmental effects of the Project and identify possible ways to minimize such effects including alternatives to the Project.

A draft SEIR was circulated for public comment between August 9 and October 4, 2019, and a final SEIR, which includes revisions to the draft SEIR and responses to comments received on the SEIR has been prepared. The final SEIR is available for public review at the offices of the Planning Department, 224 W. Winton Avenue, Room 111, Hayward, California 94544, and at the Department's website (www.acgov.org/cda/planning – see Pending Land Use Projects, Current Development Projects, Wind Turbine Projects and Sand Hill Wind Project.)

The Final PEIR is proposed to be certified by the Board of Zoning Adjustments and used for the purpose of CEQA in its consideration of CUP PLN2017-00201.

The public hearing is scheduled on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>February 13</u>, <u>2020</u>, <u>1:30 p.m.</u>, at the City of Pleasanton Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, CA. All persons interested in the matter may appear and be heard at this meeting.

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