

# NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING

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### EAST COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS

Will hold a virtual hearing to consider the following application

**PLN2019-00226, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP), MULQUEENEY RANCH WIND LLC (SUBSIDIARY OF BROOKFIELD RENEWABLE ENERGY PARTNERS)** – Application to allow repowering of a former 70-Megawatt (MW) wind energy facility containing an estimated 518 existing or previously existing turbine sites, with a maximum production capacity of 80.0 MW, using up to 36 new turbine sites and turbines rated between 2.2 and 4.2 MW per turbine, on twenty nine (29) parcels located north and south of Patterson Pass Road between approximately one-third and four miles west of Midway Road, and between one and five miles south of Interstate 580. The project site comprises 29 parcels extending over approximately 4,600 acres, including the following Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs):

99A-1800-2-3, 99A-1800-2-4, 99B-7890-2-4, 99B-7890-2-5, 99B-7890-2-6, 99B-7890-4-0, 99B-7900-1-3, 99B-7900-1-4, 99B-7900-1-5, 99B-7900-1-6, 99B-7900-1-7, 99B-7900-2-0, 99B-7910-1-1, 99B-7910-1-2, 99B-7925-2-1, 99B-7925-2-2, 99B-7925-2-3, 99B-7925-2-4, 99B-7925-2-5, 99B-7925-3-0, 99B-7950-2-0, 99B-7975-1-0, 99B-7980-1-0, 99B-7985-1-3, 99B-7985-1-4, 99B-7985-1-5, 99B-7985-1-6, 99B-8050-1-0, and 99B-8100-1-1.

The proposed Project (application) 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.

A Notice of Availability of the Draft SEIR including notice of this public hearing was provided to area residents, affected agencies and interested parties on November 6, 2020. A virtual public hearing was held by the Alameda County Planning Department on December 8, 2020. The comment period was extended from a 45-day period to more than 60 days, ending on January 8, 2021. The Draft and **Final SEIR is available** for public review at the Department's website, [www.acgov.org/cda/planning](http://www.acgov.org/cda/planning) – see Pending Land Use Projects, Current Development Projects, Wind Turbine Projects and Mulqueeney Ranch, or directly at the following link:

<http://acgov.org/cda/planning/landuseprojects/mulqueeney.htm>

Physical copies of the Draft and Final SEIR are available at the offices of the Planning Department, 224 W. Winton Avenue, Room 111, Hayward, California 94544; please call 510-670-5400 in advance.

The public hearing will be held via teleconference as a Zoom Webinar to receive comments on the Final SEIR and the CUP application, and to consider certification of the Final SEIR and approval of the Conditional Use Permit. The hearing will occur at the following time and link:

**Thursday, April 22, 2021, at 1:30 PM:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92158285462> Call-in Number: (669) 900-9128 or (346) 248-7799 – Webinar ID# 921 5828 5462

At the time of the meeting, and within ten minutes prior to the start, you may connect on a computer, tablet or smart phone to the Zoom website or to the application. Installing the application is not required, but may improve your experience. Until the start of the hearing at 1:30 p.m. you will be in a 'holding room'. For readers of this print notice, you may simply connect to Zoom.us, then see *Join a Meeting* and on prompting enter the **Webinar ID #921 5828 5462**.

If you have telephone access only you may call 1-669-900-9128 (*not* a toll-free number), and when prompted use **Webinar ID #921 5828 5462**.

If you challenge the proposed SEIR certification or CUP decision by appeal or other means, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Department (including by e-mail to the person listed below in this notice) prior to the public hearing and which will be entered into the record.

For more information or to obtain a copy of the staff report, please contact Andrew Young at 510-670-5400 or by e-mail at [andrew.young@acgov.org](mailto:andrew.young@acgov.org).