NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY THE

EAST COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PLN2015-00157

NEXT ERA ENERGY RESOURCES / GOLDEN HILLS NORTH, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, PLN2015-00157 — Application to allow repowering of an estimated 324 existing wind energy turbines with up to 24 new turbines with a production capacity of 40.8 megawatts (MW), on 61 parcels or parts of parcels over roughly seven non-contiguous square miles lying between Interstate Highway I-580 and the northern County line, and from about one mile west of the North Flynn Road interchange with I-580 to about two and a half miles east of said interchange, in the Alameda County portion of the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area, bearing 61 separate Assessor's Parcel Numbers, between 99A-1780-001-05 and 99B-7900-001-07, including 18 County-owned parcels, now part of the Altamont Transportation Corridor (former railroad right-of-way parcels).

The project is consistent with the Altamont Pass Wind Resource Area (APWRA) Repowering Program that was the subject of a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) certified by the East County Board of Zoning Adjustments on November 12, 2014, and is therefore being reviewed as a tiered project with a checklist pursuant to Section 15168(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. The checklist is intended to inform public agency decision-makers and the public generally of the significant environmental effects of the project and identify possible ways to minimize such effects. The checklist 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 NextEra Energy Resources, Golden Hills North CUP. The East County Board of Zoning Adjustments (EBZA) will refer to the checklist for the purpose of verifying that the proposed CUP is in compliance with CEQA.

The public hearing is scheduled on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>October 22</u>, <u>2015</u>, <u>1:30 p.m.</u>, at the City of Pleasanton Council Chambers, 200 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, California. All persons interested in the matter may appear and be heard at this meeting. For more information, please contact Andrew Young at 510-670-5400 or <u>andrew.young@acgov.org</u>.