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Mr. Iain Fisher, California Public Utilities Commission
Mr. Greg Thomsen, Bureau of Land Management
c/o Dudek Engineering
605 Third Street
Encinitas, CA 92024

Re: Proposed Tule Wind Power Project

Dear Bureau of Land Management and California Public Utilities Commission:

I believe that the government agencies should approve the EIR for the Tule Wind Power Project because the project will provide the San Diego region with many benefits.

- The Tule Wind Project will create approximately 325 jobs at the peak of construction.
- It will be located in a remote and sparsely populated area unseen by nearly everyone.
- The project will provide renewable energy to power 60,000+ San Diego area homes.
- The Tule Wind Power Project will reduce CO2 emissions by approximately 230,000-250,000 tons and save 149 million gallons of water per year over gas-fired generation, making our air cleaner and reducing our impact on climate change.
- Studies show this land has low use by sensitive or endangered species.
- Wind energy is a free and unlimited resource. It helps California reach its renewable energy goals, lowers our dependence on imports of natural gas, oil and other fuels, and reduces smog and greenhouse gas pollution.
- The local Ewiiapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians tribe supports the Tule Wind Power Project and wants their land to be used to harness this valuable natural wind resource. If the project size is reduced, the tribal land will no longer be incorporated into the project.
- The wind resource in McCain Valley is rare and valuable.

The Project is located in a remote area and will produce clean energy for local residents. Jobs will be created and tax revenues will help the city. I strongly feel that we need to commit to renewable energy now.

I am also the organizer of Escondido Green Drinks and have met many other members and environmentalist who support renewable energy, specifically wind power. Tule Wind Power Project is the ideal opportunity to reduce environmental impacts. The draft EIR should be approved so that the project can move forward.

Sincerely,

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