



Re: Scheduling for BCC Hearing on Rancho Viejo Solar Project

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Hello - For the record, The San Marcos Association (SMA) agrees with the points made by others about scheduling and siting this Hearing in such a way, at such a time, and in such a location as to encourage the general public to participate as fully as possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully, Dennis

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On Tue, May 6, 2025 at 2:56 PM Ashley Schannauer <schannauer21@outlook.com> wrote:

Dear County Commissioners and County Manager Shaffer,

I'm writing to formally request that the hearing for the appeals I and others have filed regarding the Rancho Viejo Solar Project be scheduled at a time when I am available to participate.

I filed my appeal on May 2, 2025 through Dominic Sisneros of the Growth Management Department (as I was directed).

Section 4.5.4 of the Sustainable Land Development Code states that such appeals “shall be placed on the docket of the Board for consideration on the next available agenda,” so I expected the appeal hearing to be scheduled for one of the Board meeting dates in May. Mr. Sisneros informed me, however, that the BCC hearing would not be held until June at the earliest.

Mr. Sisneros also said that County Staff had initially considered scheduling the BCC hearing during the latter part of the week of June 9, but that Staff had agreed to accommodate a request from AES to consider their unavailability from June 11 through June 17. To accommodate AES’s availability, Mr. Sisneros said that the hearing would likely be held during the last week of June, although early July might also be possible.

Mr. Sisneros asked that I notify him and Mr. Prucino in the County Attorney’s Office of the dates I would not be available and that County Staff would meet with County Manager Shaffer sometime this week to discuss scheduling. As a result, I filed a Notice of Unavailability (attached) with Mr. Sisneros and Mr. Prucino on May 3, notifying them of my unavailability for the period of June 19 through July 1.

I’m respectfully requesting that the County’s scheduling of the hearing accommodate my availability for the appeal I filed, just as the staff agreed to accommodate AES’s availability.

Finally, I agree with the points raised in CEC’s email to you about locating and scheduling the hearing in a way that encourages public input. If the Convention Center is not available, other auditoriums in the area, such as Santa Fe High School or Santa Fe Indian School, could be considered.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ashley Schannauer