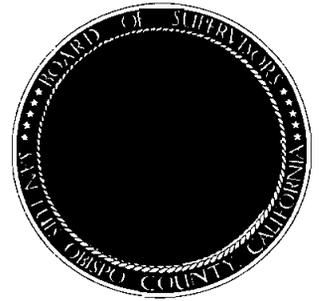


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Subject: Carrizo Energy Solar Farm (07-AFC-8), SLO County Board of Supervisors' Initial Comments on Issues Identification Report and Proposed Schedule

Dear Ms. Dyas:

San Luis Obispo County staff has reviewed the Issues Identification Report, the Data Requests and have participated in the Site Visit and Informational Hearing held January 29, 2008. The Board of Supervisors provides these comments as to the process of project discovery and review in conjunction with technical comments from our Department of Planning and Building, Environmental Division.

The Board is aware that this proposed project is a commendable step toward a cleaner environment through the use of non-polluting renewable energy and it could create jobs in our community. We also understand that a considerable number of people – both local and county residents - attended the Site Visit and Informational Hearing. While there was some support for the project, many residents raised various concerns including: compatibility of land use; the possible impacts to wildlife, water resources, valley viewshed and night sky, traffic, noise and potential growth; and on the community's economy, character and serenity.

It is imperative that the community's concerns will be fully assessed, and reviewed in detail with our community members, as well as their being given ample time for oral and written comment to enable fair local consideration of the project.

From this point, it is our understanding that the Energy Commission Staff's Proposed Schedule includes two local workshops ("Data Response and Issue Resolution", and "Preliminary Staff Assessment") to disseminate information and solicit public and local agency comment prior to the development of the Final Staff Assessment and the Committee Hearings.

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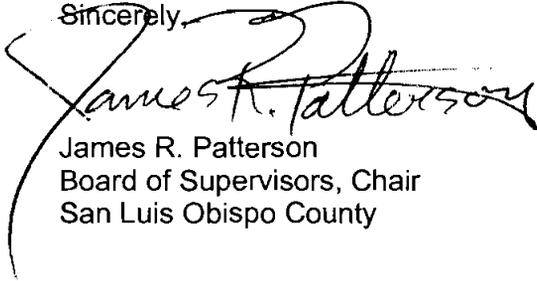
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To enhance community participation and understanding of the project at these junctures, we encourage the Energy Commission to consider the community, county and regional impacts of a project of this magnitude and:

- Increase notification of available project documents and upcoming meetings / workshops to a 3-mile radius from the site and to interested organizations and groups.
- Enable at least one meeting / workshop to be held on a Saturday.
- Cooperate with the County to increase the number of venues, such as Santa Margarita and Atascadero, for local meetings / workshops to enhance county-wide community participation.

We look forward to working with you to review this application. Thank you very much for your cooperation and coordination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James R. Patterson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J".

James R. Patterson
Board of Supervisors, Chair
San Luis Obispo County

BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
For the CARRIZO ENERGY
SOLAR FARM PROJECT

Docket No. 07-AFC-8

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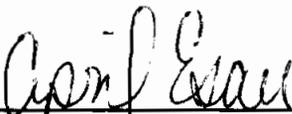
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