



Inter Office Memo

DATE: September 15, 2016

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning Commission

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 12594 – FIRST ONE-YEAR TIME EXTENSION FOR UNCLASSIFIED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NOS. 3452 through 3458

APPLICANT: RE Tranquillity 1 LLC

OWNER: Westlands Water District

REQUEST: Grant a first one-year time extension to exercise Unclassified Conditional Use Permits (CUPs) 3452-3458 which authorize the construction of photovoltaic (PV) electricity generating facilities and associated infrastructure including up to eight power blocks of solar arrays in different configurations, up to eight electrical substations, and other necessary infrastructure including up to eight permanent operation and maintenance buildings, a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system, up to 400 megawatts (MW) of on site energy storage (either battery or flywheel system), meteorological data system, buried conduit for electrical wires, overhead collection lines strung on 300 to 500 wood power line poles (each up to 70 feet tall), on site access roads, and security fencing. The project site is located approximately seven miles southwest of the community of Tranquillity, 5.5 miles east of Interstate 5, and five miles north of the community of Three Rocks.

LOCATION: The Project site is comprised of approximately 3,732 acres in western unincorporated Fresno County and would encompass 39 parcels located south of West Manning, north of West Nebraska Avenue, east of South San Bernardino Avenue, and west of South San Benito Avenue. All of the parcels are within the jurisdictional boundaries of Fresno County.

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:


At its hearing of September 15, 2016, the Commission, as part of its Consent Agenda, considered the Staff Report and determined that the requested one-year time extension was warranted.

A motion was then made by Commissioner Borba and seconded by Commissioner Lawson to approve the requested one-year time extension for Unclassified Conditional Use Permit Nos. 3452 through 3458.

This motion passed on the following vote:

VOTING:	Yes:	Commissioners Borba, Lawson, Abrahamian, Chatha, Egan, Eubanks, Mendes, Pagel, Woolf
	No:	None
	Absent:	None
	Abstain:	None

STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR
Department of Public Works and Planning
Secretary-Fresno County Planning Commission

By: 

William M. Kettler, Manager
Development Services Division

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NOTE: Approval of this time extension will extend the expiration date of Unclassified Conditional Use Permit Nos. 3452-3458 to October 9, 2017. If circumstances beyond the control of the Applicant do not permit compliance with this time limit, the Commission may grant a second extension not to exceed one additional year. Application for such extension must be filed with the Department of Public Works and Planning before the expiration of the Unclassified Conditional Use Permits.



County of Fresno

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING
STEVEN E. WHITE, DIRECTOR

October 3, 2016

RE Tranquillity 1 LLC
c/o Seth Israel
300 California Street (7th floor)
San Francisco CA 94104

Dear Applicant:

Subject: Resolution No. 12594 – Unclassified Conditional Use Permit Nos. 3452 through 3458 (First One-Year Time Extension)

On September 15, 2016, the Fresno County Planning Commission granted your extension request. A copy of the Planning Commission Resolution is enclosed.

If you have any questions, please contact me at cmonfette@co.fresno.ca.us or at 559-600-4245.

Sincerely,

Christina Monfette, Planner
Development Services Division

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