



County of Santa Barbara  
**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

Date of this Notice: May 6, 2008

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**  
**RECIRCULATED VISUAL RESOURCES SECTION OF**  
**THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**  
**FOR THE PROPOSED LOMPOC WIND ENERGY PROJECT**  
(SCH# 2006071008; County Case # 06EIR-00000-00004)

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Pacific Renewable Energy Generation LLC, a subsidiary of Acciona Wind Energy USA LLC, proposes to construct a wind-powered electrical generation facility south of the City of Lompoc on private agricultural properties adjacent to San Miguelito Road. The proposed project includes 65 wind turbine generators, gravel access roads, an operations and maintenance building, a new onsite electrical substation, onsite electrical lines, and other ancillary facilities. A new power line would be constructed by PG&E from the project site to the southeast corner of Lompoc, where it would tie into an existing power line.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project site is located on 10 parcels adjacent to San Miguelito road near its southern terminus, from 3525 to 5555 San Miguelito Road, APN #s 083-080-004, 083-090-001, 083-090-002, 083-090-003, 083-100-004, 083-100-008, 083-250-011, 083-250-019, 083-090-004, 083-100-007, in the Lompoc area. The proposed power line would run on or adjacent to 60 parcels along San Miguelito Road between 4026 and 1259 San Miguelito Road, from there to Highway 1 near the Lompoc City limit, and in the City of Lompoc along Highway 1 and 12<sup>th</sup> Street between Highway 246 and Laurel Avenue. The APN #s of the parcels along the proposed route are as follows: 083-010-051 to 054; 083-030-005, 006, 010 to 013, 027, 031, 035, 039, 044, 052, 057; 083-040-001 to 005; 083-050-001 to 019; 083-060-013 to 017; 083-080-003, 005; 083-100-003, 004; 083-110-002, 003, 007, 008, 012; 085-360-007; 085-421-036; 085-433-022; 099-141-022, 029; 099-520-006, 015, 016. Third and 4<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial Districts.

**RECIRCULATED VISUAL RESOURCES PORTION OF DRAFT EIR:** This notice announces the availability of a revised portion of the draft EIR, which is being recirculated for public review and comment, as required by CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5. The recirculated portion includes the complete, revised text of the Aesthetic/Visual section of the draft EIR including all new or revised figures, but omitting figures that were not revised.

In response to public and agency comments on the draft EIR (July 17, 2007), the County reassessed potential visual impacts of the proposed project and revised the Aesthetic/Visual Resources section of the draft EIR accordingly. The revised environmental impact analysis identifies significant, unavoidable visual impacts that were not described in the previously released draft EIR. The significant impacts result from visibility of wind turbines from Miguelito County Park, San Miguelito Road adjacent to the park, and in the vicinity of the proposed operations and maintenance building at the intersection of San Miguelito Road and Sudden Road. The visual impacts from La Purisima Mission State Historic Park were reevaluated and found to be adverse but less than significant.

If the project description changes, P&D will require a reevaluation to consider the changes. This reevaluation will be subject to all regular fees and conditions. If you challenge this environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised by you or others in written correspondence or in hearings on the proposed project.

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The draft EIR and revised portion of the Visual Resources section may be obtained or reviewed at Planning & Development offices located at 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara or 624 Foster Road, Suite C, Santa Maria. Draft documents are also available for review at the following public libraries: Lompoc (501 E. North Ave.), Santa Maria (420 S. Broadway), Vandenberg Village (3755 Constellation Rd.), Goleta Branch Library (500 N. Fairview Ave.), Santa Barbara (40 E. Anapamu St.), and UCSB Library. These documents may also be viewed at the Energy Division website at: <http://www.countyofsb.org/energy/projects/LompWindEnergy.asp>.

**HOW TO COMMENT:** Please provide comments to John Day at Santa Barbara County P&D, Energy Division, 123 E. Anapamu St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101; (805) 568-2045; fax: (805) 568-2522; email: [jday@co.santa-barbara.ca.us](mailto:jday@co.santa-barbara.ca.us) prior to the close of public comment on **June 20, 2008** at 5 p.m. Please limit comments to environmental issues related to visual resources. Please note that the response to comments on visual resource section included in the final EIR will address only new comments on the revised draft. Comments submitted on the previous draft visual resources section will not be addressed. You will receive notice of the dates of future public decision maker hearings to consider the project.