

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

June 10, 2025

FROM

MARK WARDLAW, Director, Land Use Services Department

SUBJECT

Adoption of Ordinance Amending Development Code Relating to Residential Accessory Wind Energy Systems.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Adopt **Ordinance No. 4488** amending Subsection 84.26.030(a) of Division 4 of Title 8 of the San Bernardino County Code, increasing the maximum allowable kilowattage for residential wind energy systems from 10 kilowatts to 25 kilowatts, which was introduced on May 20, 2025, Item No. 112.

(Presenter: Mark Wardlaw, Director, 387-4431)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Sufficient appropriation and revenue to complete this action have been included in the Land Use Services Department (LUS), Planning Division 2024-25 budget. All costs of processing the application to amend Subsection 84.26.030(a) of the San Bernardino County Development Code (Development Code) are paid by the applicant.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The ordinance amending Subsection 84.26.030(a) of the Development Code to increase the maximum allowable kilowattage (kW) from 10 kW to 25 kW for residential accessory wind energy systems was introduced on May 20, 2025, Item No. 112. The recommendation before the Board of Supervisors today will adopt the ordinance on the consent calendar.

The ordinance has been determined as an activity falling within the scope and covered by the Program Environmental Impact Report prepared for the San Bernardino County General Plan Update, including the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan and Addendum prepared for the Renewable Energy and Conservation (REC) Element (SCH No. 2005101038) (collectively the Program EIR). Accordingly, an ordinance to increase the maximum allowable kW for accessory energy systems is consistent with the REC Element, within the scope of the Program EIR, and no new environmental analysis is required.

The effective date of the proposed ordinance will be 30 days from the date of adoption by the Board of Supervisors on June 10, 2025.

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PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Jason Searles, Supervising Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on May 21, 2025; Finance (Iliana Rodriguez, Administrative Analyst, 387-4205) on May 27, 2025; and County Finance and Administration (Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on May 27, 2025.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman

Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: June 10, 2025



cc: File - Land Use Services Department w/ attachments

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