Kittitas County Community Development Services

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

6/5/2012

ACTION REQUESTED:

Request to set a public hearing for June 19, 2012 to consider the Swauk Wind Project Development Agreement (DA-12-00001)

BACKGROUND:

Alex Cordas, authorized agent for Swauk Valley Ranch LLC, property owners submitted a Development Agreement for the Swauk Wind Farm is to develop a wind energy facility with a maximum of 5 wind turbines and Project support facilities necessary to generate and deliver renewable energy to point of interconnection with a nearby Puget Sound Energy local distribution line for distribution within Puget Sound Energy's Kittitas County service area.

The Swauk Wind Power Project is located at 18511 Highway 10, Ellensburg, WA in a portion of Section 18, T19N, R17E, WM, in Kittitas County, Assessor's map number 19-17-18000-0001.

The Swauk Wind Power Project overlay was approved by the Board of County Commissioners during the 2011 Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendment process by passing Ordinance 2011-013.

INTERACTION:

Staff is processing the application in preparation for the open record hearing. The full project record will be delivered to the Board prior to the public hearing. The Prosecutor's office has reviewed and approved the contents of the Development Agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board set a public hearing for June 19, 2012 at 2:00 pm to consider the Swauk Wind Power Project Development Agreement (DA-12-00001).

HANDLING:

None.

LEAD STAFF:

Dan Valoff