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AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE: February 7, 2017

ACTION REQUESTED: Place a Sixty (60) Day Moratorium on Major Alternative Energy Facilities Applications Until a Public Hearing is Conducted Regarding the Issue

BACKGROUND: A recent decision by the Board of County Commissioners denying a solar farm proposal within the Valley, and additional proposals being made within the Valley has created concern among the Board. Request is made for a temporary moratorium upon Major Alternative Energy Facilities since this is an issue that is being considered within the updating of the County's Comprehensive Plan and should be determined by adopted policy regarding large scale alternative energy systems.

INTERACTION: CDS, Prosecuting Attorney, Board of County Commissioners

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution for Moratorium

STAFF

RECOMMENDATION: CDS Planning Official recommends to the Board of County Commissioners to approve the proposed Moratorium until policy is established and adopted by the Board within its update of the Comprehensive Plan

HANLDING: Presentation to the Board by Kittitas County Community Development Services.

RESPONSIBLE STAFF: Robert "Doc" Hansen, Planning Official