County of San Diego Board of Supervisors
AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

AGENDA ITEM SUBJECT/TITLE:
APPEAL OF COTTONWOOD SAND MINE MAJOR USE PERMIT AND RECLAMATION PLAN

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES:	**Yes** ☐	**No** ☑
WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION §1000.1 REQUIRED:	**Yes** ☐	**No** ☑
NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED:	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐
PROJECT UNDER CEQA:	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐
If Yes, approval of CEQA document required?	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐
DECISION WITHIN GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308:	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:
N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:
I-092: Undergrounding of Utilities - Waiver Requests

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

I-018: The project is required to comply with right-of-way dedication and public improvement requirements in connection with Major Use Permits. The Public Road Standards require a half-width minimum improvement of 39 feet along Willow Glen Drive. The Department of Public Works approved a Design Exception Request (DER) to allow a reduction in half-width improvements to vary from 25 to 35 feet along the project frontage, east of Steele Canyon Road. The approval is based on the mining operation not being the ultimate condition of the project site, and that full-width improvements will be required once the ultimate use of the project site is determined.

I-092: Board Policy I-92, "Undergrounding of Utilities - Waiver Requests", provides three criteria for reviewing waivers to underground existing and new utilities. The applicant requested a waiver of the requirement to underground AT&T overhead lines along the Willow Glen Drive project frontage through the submittal of a Design Exception request (DER). Prior to granting a waiver of undergrounding, any request is sent to the local planning group for review and recommendation. On March 18, 2025, the Valle De Oro Community Planning Group recommended denial of the DER by a vote of 10 yea, 0 nay, 1 abstain, and 4 vacant / absent.

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:
N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):
N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Planning & Development Services

OTHER CONCURRENCE(S): LUEG, DPW, DPR

INTERNAL REVIEW COMPLETED: **YES** ☑ **NO** ☐ Madison O'Barr Digitally signed by Madison O'Barr Date: 2025.08.27 11:24:01 -07'00'

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