



# THE SAN MARCOS ASSOCIATION

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*A Community Voice Advocating for Our Neighbors and the Land*

November 7, 2024

Ms. Marilyn Hebert, Santa Fe County SLDC Hearing Officer  
Case No. 24-5200

Applicants for Conditional Use Permit (CUP): Rancho Viejo Limited Partnership  
Rancho Viejo Solar  
AES Clean Energy Development, LLC  
via email to Dominic Sisneros, Land Use Division at [djsisneros@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:djsisneros@santafecountynm.gov)

## REQUEST FOR THE SAN MARCOS ASSOCIATION TO BE GRANTED STANDING IN THIS MATTER

Dear Ms. Hebert:

The Board of Directors of The San Marcos Association (SMA) [<https://thesanmarcosassociation.org/>], a non-profit Registered Organization (RO) pursuant to Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC) Section 2.2.3, formally requests that we be granted standing in Case No. 24-5200. SMA requests this designation for two reasons. First, our Mission is to serve as a trusted resource by listening to community concerns, sharing information, and influencing policy and decisions affecting all of our neighbors. We do this in order to preserve the rural character of the San Marcos region, to inspire effective civic engagement, and to advocate for and amplify the voice of our community. The Association has acted as a *de facto* community organization under those principles since our founding in the mid 1980's, and we have always worked to help the members of our community ensure responsible development.

Second, this proposed project lies within our area of advocacy as shown in the Figure below. The approximate area of this solar installation is noted by the blue rectangle in the northeast portion of our area. Since its inception, SMA has been involved in this project. As representatives of our community, we have concerns and comments that warrant more presentation time than would be allocated to a typical member of the public. Considering the importance of this Conditional Use Permit (CUP) application for our area residents, we kindly request standing at the upcoming hearings in the matter of Case No. 24-5200.

Granting standing to The San Marcos Association will enable us to more effectively represent our community in this matter. We respectfully appreciate your willingness to consider our request.

Sincerely,

Dennis D. Kurtz, President  
The San Marcos Association

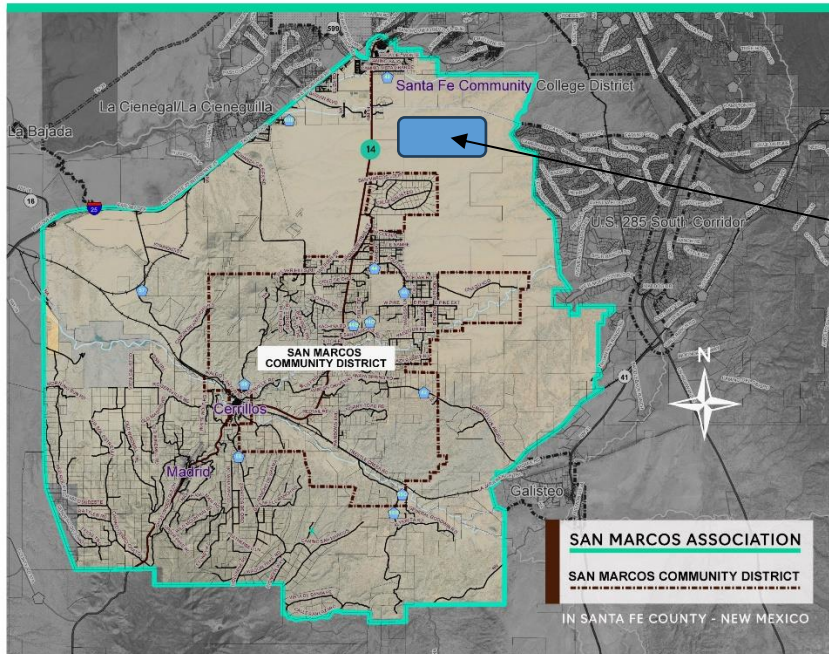
Cc: via email - Alexandra Ladd, Director - Growth Management

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## SAN MARCOS ASSOCIATION AREA OF ADVOCACY



Approximate location of the  
Rancho Viejo Solar field

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