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C4FA Declares Victory for Residents Over Palomar Airport Expansion

San Diego County Board of Supervisors votes 4-1 to rescind the Approval of the 2018 McClellan Palomar Airport Master Plan Update and to decertify the Environmental Impact Report

Carlsbad, CA/May 6, 2021 – In a victory for all North County residents, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (BOS) voted 4-1 yesterday to rescind the 2018 McClellan Palomar Airport Master Plan Update and decertify the Environmental Impact Report based upon Judge Gregory W Pollack's February 25, 2021 court ruling in a lawsuit brought forth by <u>Citizens for a Friendly Airport (C4FA)</u>.

The Board of Supervisors voted in a previous closed-door session not to appeal the ruling making this action legally necessary, according to BOS Chair Nathan Fletcher, just prior to the vote. Supervisor Desmond was the sole vote against complying with the Court's order.

In a second vote, the Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to direct staff to return for a future Board hearing to present options and get direction on how to proceed with the McClellan-Palomar Airport Master Plan Update.

"In their short time together, this Board has taken the first steps to reverse the course of the previous Board, address Climate Change head on, and prioritize the environment and residents," stated Hope Nelson, C4FA President. "We hope we continue to see more brave and bold actions by the BOS, especially when reviewing options for the McClellan-Palomar Master Plan update and not continue down the path set by the retired Board," she added.

"C4FA did not take the decision to file this lawsuit lightly; the Court ordered all approvals to be set aside and today the Board affirmed the Court's decision," commented Cory Briggs, Attorney representing C4FA. "The County now has an opportunity to initiate a Plan update that fully protects North County residents and the environment," he concluded.

About Citizens for a Friendly Airport

Citizens for a Friendly Airport is a non-partisan, all-volunteer, non-profit enterprise organized to educate Carlsbad and surrounding communities about important McClellan-Palomar Airport issues impacting the character and quality of life in North County. C4FA is dedicated to bringing transparency to the airport planning processes; advocate on behalf of environmental issues; respect the rights and history of the Carlsbad community; and to ensure a safe, functional, and fiscally sound McClellan-Palomar Airport. ###