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Proposed Sunrise Powerlink Project

Date: 2/8/07

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Comment: DON'T BUILD IT!!!
WHAT IS THE HURRY...
ITS NOT NEEDED... IF YOU MUST
UNDERGROUND IT!
RUN IT UP HWY 8
NEXT TO THE OTHER ONE...
YOU WERE FOOLED ONCE,
DONIT BE FOOLED AGAIN, THANK YOU

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Affiliation (if any)*: Peoples Powerlink

Address*: P.O. Box 121

City, State, Zip Code*: Julien, CA 92036

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Email*: skyword@sbcglobal.net

Comment: We must demand the NO wires,
no project alternatives. To not approve of
the sunrise powerlink project will finally
force us ~~to~~ to develop and manifest solar
voltic rooftop ~~to~~ panels on homes,
businesses, and government facilities. Transmission
lines by metal wires on steel towers is so
19th century! We have awakened in the
21st century! The sun is transmitting power
to each and every one of us on transmission
lines through space itself. Put up a panel
to catch this living energy as does the plant
with its leaves. NO wires are needed.

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Date: 2/5/07
Name: John Thompson
Address: P.O. Box 232073
City: Leucadia, CA 92023
Phone: 760-476-4706
Email: john.thompson@viasat.com

I attended the meeting in Rancho Penasquitos and would like to address my comments to the BLM (Lynda Kastoll and Duane Marti)

I live in Leucadia close to Vulcan Ave where SDG&E recently removed 2.5 miles of power lines. This is a great enhancement to the aesthetics of the neighborhood, the street feels more open now and I am very grateful to SDG&E for completing this project.

I'd like the BLM to revoke SDG&E's ROW for all power lines in the park and would encourage if we need any lines at all, that they be installed underground. I know it can be done because I've seen it first hand.

Even though I like SDG&E, and I've made money investing in Sempra stock and I'm a happy customer, I don't support the addition of power lines through Anza Borrego State Park. This park means so much to me; it is a sacred place where I go to feel at peace and to get away from the coastal crowds and commune with nature. Every person involved with this decision should go to Tamarisk Grove Camp Ground and hike the Cactus Loop Trail so they can see first hand how out of place the power lines are.

Mark Jorgenson went to enormous effort to remove horses from the State Park because they were non-native and damaging the park. Non-native plants and trees are also being removed. The same effort should apply to power lines; they don't belong in the park.

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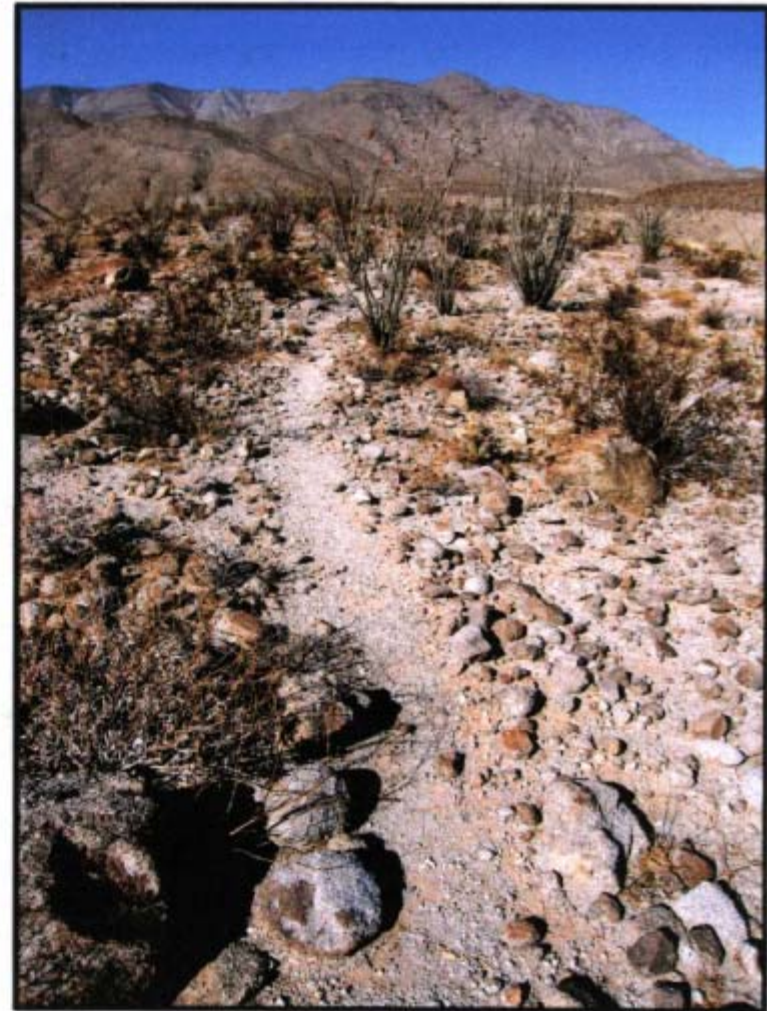
Frederick Law Olmsted, Jr. a famous landscape architect was commissioned by the California Parks Commission in 1927 to select scenic and recreational resources that would form the nucleus of a State Park System. In 1928 he submitted his recommendation for a desert sanctuary in the Anza-Borrego Desert, and wrote . . .

Certain desert areas have a distinctive and subtle charm, in part dependent on spaciousness, solitude, and escape from the evidence of human control and manipulation of the earth, a charm of constantly growing value as the rest of the earth becomes more completely dominated by man's activities. This quality is a very vulnerable one . . . Nowhere else are casual thoughtless human changes in the landscape so irreparable, and nowhere else is it so important to control and completely protect wide areas.

February 8, 2007

Frederick Olmsted's prophetic vision on protecting and preserving this fragile desert land from the impact of modern man must be honored. The Anza-Borrego Desert State Park was formed for this purpose. We ask the CPUC to respect the long legacy of this Park and ensure its continued protection for all Californian's by rejecting SDG&E's proposed Sunrise Powerlink transmission line through the Park.

**Sam & Astrid Webb
PO Box 2268
Borrego Springs, CA**



**Ancient Indian Trail
Anza-Borrego Desert State Park**

February 8, 2007

Doug Wescott, no affiliation
8669 Jenny Avenue
San Diego CA 92123

858-492-1326
doug@wescotts.org

I did not come to the meeting Monday, February 5, 2007 at the Doubletree Hotel in Carmel Mountain Ranch because I disagree with the need for another electrical link to San Diego. I did not come because I believe the San Diego region doesn't need access to more electrical energy, although I'm not convinced it does, or that another link is the best answer.

I did not come to the meeting because the desert is my favorite place, because it isn't. The desert is, however, a fragile place, and takes many decades to heal itself after it has been even gently disturbed. I came to this meeting because this project completely violates the intent and the spirit of not only California Wilderness designation, but the State Parks mission. In fact, it so violates the statue of wilderness that some land will have to be de-designated so that the line can follow a particular route. This has never been done before in the entire State of California, and sets a terrible precedent. I am completely against any route that take this project through Anza-Borrego State Park, or any other State Park, even if it goes underground.

The two main reasons given for the need for this link are to provide an alternative route for power, besides the single other link, and the projection that the region will require more electricity in the future, decades into the future. As you review the impacts on natural habitats of the different routes and alternatives of this project, from the farms of Imperial County, across the fragile desert, through the forests and mountains, and into the sage and chaparral of the foothills and coastal canyons, I respectfully request that you, too, review the need for more and better protection of all of these habitats, as suburbia and other human uses continue to encircle and encroach upon those shrinking native lands over the next decades. As suburbia marches across the face of the earth, these distinct environments become more and more threatened, special, and isolated from each other. As this happens, the purpose and intent of protecting these last remaining lands is violated: isolated, encroached, and shrinking natural habitat cannot protect it's unique character. Gene pools become isolated and cause the decline of populations; continuing increase in visitation causes more and greater damage, again threatening the viability of these remaining treasures.

For these reasons, no alternative that includes power lines of any kind, impact of any kind, in the Anza-Borrego State Park or any other State Park is unacceptable.

February 9, 2007

To: Billie Blanchard/Lynda Kastoll
CPUC/BLM
c/o Aspen Environmental Group

From: Jo Ann Bernard
1388 Sunnypoint Road
PO Box 437 (760) 765-0535
Santa Ysabel, CA 92070
e-mail: jbernard@csulb.edu

Re: Sunrise Powerlink Project

After attending the Scoping meeting in Julian on Tuesday, February 6th, I am writing this letter to state my opposition to the proposed SDG&E Powerlink Project through Anza-Borrego State Park and the Santa Ysabel Valley.

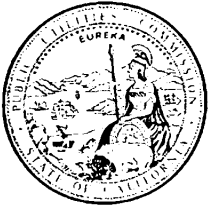
I am a Third Generation San Diegan and a resident of Santa Ysabel. The preservation of the backcountry area has personal meaning for me.

My grandfather, Lesile W. Cassie, was born in San Diego in 1890. He set the stage for our family's love of the backcountry. He built a cabin in the Julian area in the late 1940's. The highlights of my childhood recall many trips up the mountain.

I grew up in a Navy family with a limited income. A picnic lunch and a drive to the mountains and desert were often our form of entertainment on the weekends.

It would be a travesty to desecrate this wilderness preserve with metal power towers. It is imperative that we say "NO" to the Powerlink Project in San Diego's backcountry. Future generations must also be able to enjoy two of San Diego's prize possessions: the mountains and the desert.

Joan Bernard



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Telephone Number*: 760-788-0380

Email*: namteprac@yahoo.com

Comment: WHY DO THE FOLKS IN SAN DIEGO/RAMONA
Julian Etc. HAVE TO PAY AND DESTROY THE
LAND SCAPE, PROPERTY VALUE, AND ANY CHANCES OF
FIRE FIGHTING FROM THE AIR/GROUND, JUST SO THEY
CAN GET POWER FROM MEXICO, YUMA, AND ANYWHERE
ELSE. TO CHARGE US MORE AND PROVIDE REALLY
NOTHING. PROVIDE ROOF PANELS AND BY BACK
EXTRA POWER. WAIT YOU CAN'T MAKE AS BIG
OF PROFIT OFF HOME PANELS,
WHO HAS GIVEN SDG&E THE ROW ON
GUN STAGE WHICH WILL CAUSE MAJOR TRAFFIC
PROBLEMS IN AN AREA THAT ALREADY IS FIGHTING
TRAFFIC PROBLEMS.

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Date: 2/9/07

Name*: SUSAN LOPEZ

Affiliation (if any)*: VISITOR

Address*: 2086 Oregon Ave.

City, State, Zip Code*: LONG BEACH, C.A.

Telephone Number*: (562) 235-8724

Email*: sd+L7@juno.com

Comment: I CANNOT BELIEVE THAT WE ARE EVEN CONSIDERING SDG&E'S PROPOSAL TO RUN THOSE POWER LINES THROUGH THE BACK COUNTRY OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY. THE DAMAGE TO PEOPLE LIVING, VISITING AND DOING BUSINESS IN SANTA YSABEL AND THE SURROUNDING AREA WOULD BE EXTREME & IRREVERSIBLE. THIS DOES NOT MEET THE SCOPE PARAMETERS RE: "PROMOTE, THE SAFETY, HEALTH, COMFORT & CONVENIENCE OF THE PUBLIC." IMAGINE LIVING AND WORKING UNDER THOSE LINES WITH THE CONSTANT BUZZ AND UNSEEN ENERGY FROM THE LINES. IF IT AFFECTS 1200# DAIRY COWS ADVERSELY, WHAT MUST IT DO TO HUMANS & OTHER CREATURES. MY SUGGESTION FOR ALTERNATE ROUTES ① RUN THE LINES ALONG THE 8, 15 & 5 FREEWAYS ② RUN ALONG THE CALIF. MEXICO BORDER FENCE LINE, ③ BUILD SMALL POWER GENERATING PLANTS IN THE CITIES WHERE THE POWER IS NEEDED. KEEP THE LINES AND SUBSTATION OUT OF SANTA YSABEL.

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Date: Feb. 9, 2007

Name: Mary L.G. Manning

Affiliation: President Harbison Canyon Lions with Volunteer Fire Rebuild Project, Chair Harbison Canyon Emergency Response Team, Harbison Canyon Community Service Zone Committee,

Address: 726 Post Trail Rd.
Harbison Canyon, El Cajon Ca 92019
Telephone number: (619) 445-5044
Email: edandmarym@netzero.net

Comment: I oppose the Sunrise Power Link. Look to non wire alternatives.

I would like to bring to your attention some of the negative impacts to our community listed in the West of Forest Alternative as, "unincorporated San Diego County". Part of that "unincorporated San Diego County" is the beautiful rural community of Harbison Canyon. Three years after the Cedar Fire destroyed 287 of 388 homes we are starting to complete homes and recover a sense of community to find that our community has been targeted as the site for the West of Forest Alternative for the Sunrise Power Link, thus creating an ugliness and serious health and safety issues.

The topography of Harbison Canyon is exactly as it's name implies. It's a rural community nestled in the bottom and sides of a canyon bordered by Chocolate Drop and Ironside Mountains. The beauty of this community is also its downfall in the eyes of fire personal. Harbison Canyon is serviced by the independent fire district of San Diego Rural. At best our fire protection is considered minimal with no paid personal in our community. We depend on mutual aid from neighboring district and a fire headquarters 35 minutes away. Our fire station was one of the casualties of the Cedar fire. It has yet to be rebuilt despite persistent work for 3 years from community members, including myself. This history is important to this document in that it shows how important aerial fire support is to Harbison Canyon. We have talked to SD Rural and have been told they will not fight fire under these towers and aerial support will be effected. Fire personal refuse to send fire personal in the Canyon during a wildfire so we are a community that seriously depends on aerial fire support.

We've spent time creating documents for the County of San Diego on how we hope to protect this community during future fires. Because there will be a future fire. Fire history show our community has burned about every 30 years. The Sunrise Power Link West of Forest Alternate will take away our hope that this community plans for its future fire safety.

Another issue that needs to be considered is the Military use of our Canyon as a corridor to the facilities in the desert. Daily Military helicopters use our Canyon home as a training exercise. Even thou the helicopter effects are very disruptive to our lives we have been told it's the sound and price of freedom. My home sits on the West side of the Canyon and we have a tree that helicopter routinely fly 100 yards above. We already have concern about the low altitude of the military aircraft and that will be compounded by these huge wired towers that will sit 180 above the skyline. Are we looking at a repeat of the Julian fire where a helicopter clipped electric lines thus starting a fire, or worse, a crash into the hillside or one of our residents.

The Sunrise Power Link is a project no one wants in their back yard. At the Alpine Scope Meeting I totally agreed with the women who spoke about this project pitting neighbor against neighbor. In our family it's cousin against cousin.. My cousin owns the beautiful property in Santa Ysabel that the original proposal plans to destroy. The question is, which community is going to be the loser in SDGE Sunrise Power Link unless wireless options are used.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

TO: CPUC and BLM

RE: AP# 101060-09-00
12.90 ACRES, SANDIEGO CO.
43099 TENAJA RD, MARIETTA
(mail ONLY).
Purchased 3/5/68

Figure 10 - System
Alternatives
LEAPS Project
(FERC Project No. 11858,
FERC/EIS - 01910, FEB. 2006)

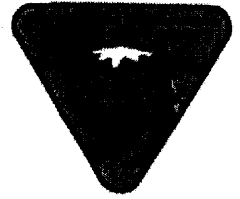
AS THE FAMILY REPRESENTATIVE - OWNER OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED (ADVERSELY AFFECTED) PROPERTY, I OPPOSE THIS PROJECT.

Feb. 9, 2007

KATHY A. PIERCE
Lutley A. Pierce
P.O. Box 1021, Wildomar, CA 92595



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Date: 2-9-07

Name*: Kay Seibold

Affiliation (if any)*: property owners

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City, State, Zip Code*: Meridale, Ca. 92584

Telephone Number*: 951-326-3226

Email*: Kseibold@Tension.com

Comment: I do not want the powerlink project going through our property out by La Cresta. I am standing in for my mother Barbara Adam who is located in AK. This is beautiful property and we wouldn't want to change that. We would like to sale this property and the powerlines would make it that much harder.

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DEAR BILLIE BLANCHARD,

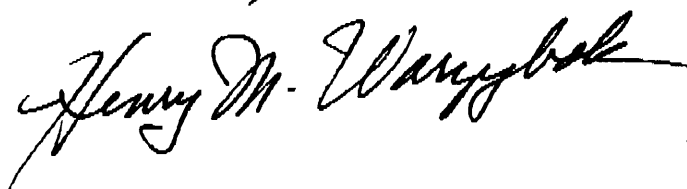
I AM WRITING TO PROTEST THE PROPOSED POWER LINE THRU ANZA BORREGO STATE PARK.

I BELIEVE THE OLD ROUTE SOUTH OF THE PARK IS THE WAY TO GO. WE CAN DEVELOPE THE TECHNOLOGY AND IT IS A MUCH SHORTER ROUTE.

PARALLEL THE SOUTHERN ROUTE!

DONT DESTROY VIEWSHED. POWER LINES ARE AN EYE SORE. WE NEED ELECTRICITY BUT LETS NOT SPOIL ANZA BORREGO STATE PARK.

SINCERELY,



Henry M. Warzybok
4318 Canhill Ave.
Lakewood, CA 90713

562 429-7110

From: Carol Emerick <cemerick1@adnc.com>

To: sunrise@aspeneg.com

Cc:

Date: Saturday, February 10, 2007 09:34 pm

Subject: Sunrise Powerlink

Everyone seems to agree that power poles and power lines will deface the beauty of Anza Borrego State Park and any other county land the power lines traverse.

Instead of being concerned about "fouling our own nest", think about the MONEY.

SDG&E wants to spend 1.3 Billion dollars to install lumbering power poles and power lines to transmit power to 600,000 homes. If each of the 600,000 homes spent \$200 per month for electricity (conservative amount, 25 years from now in the face of upcoming increases) that would generate \$36,000,000,000 (36 billion dollars) for the 1.3 billion dollar investment SDG&E will make

Instead, spend the \$200 a month to install solar panels on the 600,000 homes that will be receiving the electricity from the Sunrise Pole Project.

Do the math. A \$200 investment, each month for twenty five years, by each of the 600,000 homes, would cover the cost to install a \$60,000 solar system that could generate 900 kilowatt hours a month to each home. Electricity would be generated and used in the same place. There would be no need for power poles covering 150 miles of land to transport the electricity. Instead of spending \$200 a month for imported electricity, spend the \$200 a month on your own source of electricity.

In twenty five years, the solar systems would be paid off and the homeowners would no longer have electric bills.

Anza Borrego State Park, along with many miles of San Diego County, would remain beautiful and unblemished without power poles and power lines desecrating land for future generations.

Carol Emerick
3829 Albatross Street
San Diego, California, 92103

619-299-6558

2/10/07

Re: Sunrise Powerlink
Skip Miller
P.O. Box 394
Descanso, CA 91916

CPUC/BLM Representatives,

Wildfire potential in the region of Southwest Powerlink Alternatives "D", "I-8", and "BCD" designations D-32 through D-48 (Boulder Creek).

Extreme potential for loss of life and property to wildfire exists in this region due to the highly volatile chaparral environment, frequent occurrence of hot, dry, easterly "Santa Ana" wind conditions and the rapidly increasing suburban/forest interface to the west.

In addition to the deaths of eleven trained USFS firefighters in the Inaja Fire, several deaths, including a CDF firefighter, were attributed to the 2003 Cedar Fire, the largest in California history. This fire, exacerbated by easterly "Santa Ana" winds, began in a Cedar Creek canyon and burned to the west, within a 24 hour period, through the communities of San Diego Country Estates, Barona Mesa, Poway, Scripp's Ranch, Tierra Santa, Lakeside, Blossom Valley, Flinn Springs, Moreno Valley, Alpine, Harbison Canyon, Crest, and more. The fire then, along an extensive front, returned to the east and burned through the entire region designated D-32 to D-48, continuing through the entirety of Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, the Laguna Mountains, the communities of Pine Hills, Harrison Park, Pinezanita, Cuyamaca, Sherilton Valley and portions of Descanso, Guatay, Pine Valley and Julian. Included within this region were Boy Scout, Girl Scout, and School camps.

During a recent (Sept., 2006), moderate "Santa Ana" condition (wind gusts in excess of 50 mph), a fire, reported at the 8 mile marker of Boulder Creek Road (Boulder Fire ?), began at the base of a power pole. Melted "powerline" material was found at the ignition point. These conditions and potential path of this fire were nearly identical to that of the Cedar Fire with the exception that the chaparral in the area, previously burned in the Cedar Fire, consisted of sparse, green re-growth, one to five feet high, as opposed to the more typical dry, mature overgrowth five to twenty feet high. Additionally, this fire occurred, and was reported, early in the morning when firefighting conditions were more favorable and air support was available.

2/10/07

Re: Sunrise Powerlink
Skip Miller
P.O. Box 394
Descanso, CA 91916

CPUC/BLM Representatives,

State Parks, National Forests, Wilderness Preserves and Conservation Areas were initiated and intended to preserve the natural beauty and integrity of our open public spaces, not to provide avenues for services for future development. Residents, property/business owners, ranchers/farmers and visitors within, or near, such spaces embrace the values of conservation and preservation of our natural environment and vehemently oppose potential desecration and destruction.

The proposed Sunrise Powerlink and subsequent "wired" alternatives impact our open spaces and rural residents at some point in their proposed routes, essentially so that urban developers and future urban residents can "have their cake and eat it too" at the expense of others. This is unfair and unacceptable.

As the global impact of the destruction and depletion of non-renewable resources is becoming more evident, it is obviously time to begin focus upon renewable energy sources. Therefore, the Non-wires Alternatives are the only acceptable options. To provide for future energy needs, renewable energy sources and efficiency must be incorporated into the permitting process for all new buildings and development. New development projects would require allocation of space for energy such as solar panels, wind generators, etc.. Transmission of energy, if needed, would be incorporated within roadbed easements. Supplemental energy, from renewable sources, could be transmitted through the existing infrastructure.

The Non-Wired Alternatives need to be prioritized, in order from efficiency and renewable sources first to non-renewable sources last, then fit to the needs of specific users accordingly. The cost of energy, whether monetary or aesthetic, should be borne by the end-user, not the natural environment. Short term bargains often result in long term disasters.



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Date: 2/10/07

Name*: BETTY MOSS

Affiliation (if any):* _____

Address*: P.O. Box 1582

City, State, Zip Code*: BOULEVARD, CA 91905

Telephone Number*: _____

Email*: _____

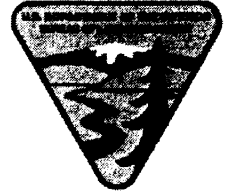
Comment: I AM TOTALLY AGAINST THESE
ELECTRIC POLES. THEY ARE DANGEROUS.
WE HAVE A VERY BAD FIRE HAZARD HERE.
THEY WOULD TOTALLY DESTROY OUR WELLS
BECAUSE I AM SURE YOU WILL HAVE
TO DYNAMITE HERE. THERE WOULD HAVE
BEEN MORE PROTESTING IF THE HOURS
WERE MORE REASONABLE. PEOPLE DO
WORK YOU KNOW! ALSO THERE WERENT
ENOUGH "COMMENT FORMS" WE ARE A
SMALL COMMUNITY, BUT WE DO STAND
TOGETHER! TAKE IT TO THE SOUTH BAY

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Affiliation (if any):* _____

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City, State, Zip Code*: El Cajon CA 92019

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Email*: shdstad@sdcoe.k12.ca.us

Comment: I am a member of Harbison Canyon. I have lived here all my life. Yes, I may only be 15, but I feel I have had enough experience living here to know how beautiful it is out here. The wild life is gorgeous, and the trees are lush and green, even after the fire. Which brings up my counterargument towards you. There are fires here. There always will be, that's a fact that's not going to change. So, when - not if, when the next fires go through what help are gigantic, hideous power poles going to do? It took us 3 years to get our house preserved. Not, because we were lazy, but the government required so many, dare I say, stupidly ridiculous fire requirements. Power Poles have no need or welcome in my neighborhood. So, consider my opinion fairly, please.

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