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Subject: Comment on the Modified Route D Alternative

I am writing with a specific comment in opposition of the modified route D alternative. My husband and I have spent the last four years of our lives saving and restoring one of the few remaining historic homes in the Campo area. Our home was built in 1893 by the Hooks, one of the original pioneer families in California. When Lester Hook passed away a few years ago the Cleveland National Forest purchased the ranch from the heirs. The house was scheduled to be destroyed. My wife and I decided to save it and we have moved it to our ranch at 2627 Cameron Truck Trail and restored it and now live in it. The Mountain Empire Historical Society has tracked and followed our efforts from beginning to end. Furthermore, we are in the process of creating a sustainable living institute here on our ranch where people will come to learn how to build homes and live more harmoniously with their environment. This is relevant because the proposed modified route D alternative is now set to go a few hundred feet behind our historic home and planned sustainable living institute. A power line running through our ranch would destroy the natural beauty of our historic homestead and the ambiance of our sustainable living institute. This will be a travesty, especially since there is ample government land behind our property that is essentially unusable for anything else and perfect for the power line. We understand that the Navy has proposed putting this thing on our property. They must be overruled! Their withdrawal application never identified tactical helicopter operations and in fact they stated publicly that they would not fly tactical helicopters as part of the training on these new formally BLM properties. We are planning to now vigorously oppose the Navy withdrawal. Their duplicity will be revealed.

Sincerely,

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