## Comment Set C.104: Marilyn Alvarez

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Subject transmission line alternative 5 route

I am writing to you concerning alternative 5 transmission line route through Leona Valley. I feel that this route presents multiple problems not found in the other routes proposed including the health and safety risks to residents of Leona Valley, interference with ability to use water-dropping helicopters in the event of fire, and the decrease of property values in the area. Considering the fact that this route is the most expensive, I would expect that planners who hold the public trust to plan intelligently, effectively and in a financially sound manner, would not opt for alternative 5.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Marilyn Alvarez Leona Valley Resident

## Response to Comment Set C.104: Marilyn Alvarez

C.104-1 Please see General Response GR-1 regarding potential effects on property values. We recognize that Alternative 5 would constrain the ability to aggressively fight a wildland fire in the vicinity of the route, and could create additional fire risks to inhabited areas such as Leona Valley and Agua Dulce (see discussion in Section D.5). Although cost is not discussed in the Draft EIR/EIS, we agree that due to the increased length of Alternative 5, it would cost substantially more than the proposed Project. Your comments will be shared with the decision-makers who are reviewing the Project and alternatives at the USDA Forest Service and the CPUC.