

Comment Set C.138: Kathy Randall

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Cc: mary Johnson
Subject: Oppose Alternate 5, 500 -kV Transmission Line Project

Dear Sirs and Madams,

Attached is a letter detailing how we are personally negatively affected by the "Alternate 5" route for the 500kV Transmission Line Project. I respectfully submit this letter to you in hopes of convincing you that "Alternate 5" is a bad idea.

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To: Antelope-Pardee 500 -kV Transmission Line Project Managers, Environmental Agencies, Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, Agua Dulce Town Council, Agua Dulce Civic Association, Agua Dulce/Acton Country Journal, Residents and Citizens of Agua Dulce and Leona Valley, Concerned Politicians

Subject: Southern California Edison's Antelope-Pardee 500-kV Transmission Line Project, ALTERNATIVE 5

Dear Sirs and Madams:

My name is Katherine Randall, 12 resident of Agua Dulce. My husband and I live 3 houses away from Anthony Road on the East side. Our property abuts Hierba Road which intersects Anthony Road or the proposed alternate 5 route for the new 500- kV Transmission Lines Project. **We are directly affected by this project and oppose it!**

This proposed route harms the most people, homes, lives, property values, views and not to mention of the yet to be proven ill effects of electro-magnetic fields (emf) on humans, livestock, and other animals, out of all the proposed routes.

Our family is directly affected because of the close proximity of the proposed towers to our home. Our home was built on a bluff over-looking Hierba Road and Anthony Road. With these towers in place, we will no longer have the incredible view we have enjoyed from most rooms in our house for the last years not to mention the loss of value to our home. We paid extra for our home because of the view.

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I cannot understand why this route would even be a consideration with the amount of negative impacts to the communities of Agua Dulce and Leona Valley. To think residents could lose their homes and possibly their livelihoods.

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I am appalled at the lack of notification. I have not received any official notice of this proposed project through U.S. Mail. It seems that this project is being expedited through under the radar. Thankfully we have some community spirited Agua Dulce residents and a strong town council who are spear heading this issue to educate the community and hopefully succeed in convincing the “powers to be” that this alternate 5 is a bad idea.

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Some of the key issues regarding Alternative 5 that are troubling to me are:

1. Alternative 5 is 45% longer than the originally proposed project, and longer than any other proposed alternative
2. Alternative 5 has nearly 19 miles of transmission lines outside of a designated utility corridor
3. Alternative 5 will take 23% longer to construct (6:30am to 5:00pm Monday through Saturday through our community and homes)
4. Alternative 5 traverses 103 privately owned parcels, and will likely result in the removal of existing homes and businesses, **displacing families and community members in both Agua Dulce and Leona Valley**
5. Alternative 5 is within a mile of Vasquez Rocks Natural Area, a beloved and historic State park often used in film making
6. Alternative 5 will cost substantially more than the original proposal Alternative 5 will expose the greatest number of people to noise associated with construction, operation and maintenance than any other alternative or the original proposal
7. Alternative 5 creates a greater fire risk to human life and property than the original proposal or any of the alternatives
8. Alternative 5 has 9 more road crossings than the proposed project, including 2 crossing of the 14 freeway
9. Alternative 5 is located within 1 mile of Agua Dulce Airport. The 220 foot tall towers will be a hazard to navigation at an already complicated landing strip.

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10. Alternative 5 introduces a new 19 mile utility corridor and would create a huge visual impact to a currently non impacted area
11. Alternative 5 introduces corona noise for the first time to 19 additional miles of land, wildlife and residents.

I respectfully submit this letter for your review, and plead to you, for the communities of Agua Dulce and Leona Valley, to **please not approve alternate 5, Antelope-Pardee 500 -kV Transmission Line Project.**

Sincerely,

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near Alternate 5 route

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Response to Comment Set C.138: Kathy Randall

- C.138-1 Your comments will be shared with the decision-makers who are reviewing the Project at the USDA Forest Service and the CPUC. Please also see General Response GR-1 regarding the potential effect of the Project on property values.
- C.138-2 Please see General Response GR-4 regarding the identification, screening, and analysis of proposed Project Alternatives.
- C.138-3 Please see General Response GR-5 regarding the Project's noticing procedures and review period. On September 13, the CPUC and the Forest Service formally extended the public review period for the Draft EIR/EIS to October 3, 2006.
- C.138-4 Comments noted. Your concerns will be shared with the decision-makers who are reviewing the Project at the USDA Forest Service and the CPUC.