

Comment Set C3

On Thu Dec 13 20:47 , 'Ed and Sonja Leonhardt' sent:

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In order that I can prepare for the January 9, 2008 meeting, please clarify the following as contained in the subject EIR:

In the Executive Summary, Page ES-3, Paragraph 2;

"Base on comparison of the environmental impacts of the Proposed Project and alternatives, the Environmentally Superior Alternative is identified as required by CEQA. The Environmentally Superior Alternative would be the Proposed Project."

In the Executive Summary, Section ES.4.3. Environmentally Superior Alternative, Page ES-46, Conclusion;

"Therefore, the Environmentally Superior Alternative would be the Partial Underground Alternative."

It is my belief that the information presented in the Draft EIR indicates the the Environmentally Superior Alternative is in fact the Partial Underground Alternative and not the Proposed Project as defined on Page ES-3.

I would very much appreciate the clarification of the above.

Edward H. Leonhardt

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Responses to Comment Set C3 – Edward H. Leonhardt

C3-1 ~~The text in the Executive Summary contained a typographical error, and as such page ES-3 (Paragraph 2) has been revised as follows:~~

~~Based on comparison of the environmental impacts of the Proposed Project and alternatives, the Environmentally Superior Alternative is identified as required by CEQA. The Environmentally Superior Alternative would be the Proposed Project Partial Underground Alternative. Impacts of the Environmentally Superior Alternative are defined in each issue area's impact analysis as presented in Section D (Environmental Analysis) within this EIR. As described above, the Proposed Project Partial Underground Alternative would result in significant unavoidable impacts. However, as described in Section D (Environmental Analysis), the impacts associated with construction and long term operation of the Proposed Project Partial Underground Alternative would be less than those generated by construction and operation of the CPUC's Northerly Route Alternative Option 3 and the Partial Underground Alternative Proposed Project.~~

The Environmentally Superior Alternative has been re-evaluated and is identified in the Recirculated Draft EIR, Section E (July 2008) as the Proposed Project. Please see General Response GR-1 for a discussion regarding the change in determination of the Environmentally Superior Alternative.