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**Sent:** Friday, May 15, 2026 10:46 AM  
**To:** Ivanpah-Control Project Team  
**Subject:** Public Comment in Support of Protecting Panatü (Three Creeks)

Good morning,

My name is Itzel Flores Castillo Wang. I am writing to submit a public comment to oppose the currently proposed location of Southern California Edison's Ivanpah-Control (I-C) 115 Kilovolt Project through the Birch Creek Neighborhood. I strongly support the Tribes' position opposing this project's proposed location to protect Panatü, also known as Three Creeks, the Owens Valley Indian Water Commission's first landback site.

Panatü is a significant place that holds deep importance for the Indigenous communities of the Owens Valley. Yet, the proposed project location threatens tribal cultural resources, culturally sensitive sites, and important Water sources that require protection and respect. While I understand the need to address operational safety concerns due to aging infrastructure, these improvements should not harm the lands and Waters that many depend on and that hold deep significance for Tribal communities.

Routing this new transmission line, which includes approximately 1,500 new structures, through Panatü and the surrounding Birch Creek Neighborhood would create significant and irreversible impacts. Therefore, I strongly urge Southern California Edison and all relevant agencies to collaborate with Tribal Nations and community stakeholders to identify alternative routes that avoid impacts to Panatü and any other important and sensitive areas.

Protecting Indigenous cultural resources, Water sources, and sacred lands must be central to all infrastructure planning processes. I deeply hope you will listen intentionally and ensure the protection of these precious spaces, lands and Water.

Thank you,

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