

## Email: SCE Ivanpah Control

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**Subject:** Comments on Ivanpah-Control Project

We have lived on Birch Creek Rd for 38 years and have the following comments concerning the upcoming construction of a new powerline for SCE. Our concerns are as follows:

1. Regarding the proposed route of the powerline, we desire the Proposed Route to be utilized, not the Crater Mtn Alternative. The Crater Mtn Alternative powerline would be placed 200' to the east of the DWP existing powerline; this would have the result of moving the power corridor 200 ' closer to existing residences on Birch Creek Rd with live wires almost overhead of the last residence on Birch Creek Rd. If a person happens to stand on Birch Creek Rd under the closest DWP powerline, he will be listening to the snap crackle pop of electricity coursing through the wires overhead. Would you like to own that residence close by? Of course you wouldn't. The obvious solution is to move the SCE powerline to the WEST of the existing DWP power corridor. This, at least, would eliminate noise and health concerns of an electrical nature. DWP is already affecting the view shed to the west with their 2 power corridors.
2. Property values of the closest 3 or 4 residences would be affected downwards. This is not taken into account.
3. The Crater Mtn Alternative is discussed as less intrusive to the view shed for passing motorists; how about tax paying citizens who live here? On my way north to Big Pine this morning, I was having trouble making out the existing power line against Crater Mtn from the highway. Besides, most of the motorists are strangers who still have a magnificent view of the Sierra and others are semi truck drivers from out of state. This is not a good reason for moving the powerline. The real reason is cost; probably the cost is higher using the Proposed Route.
4. It seems that we property owners are fighting a losing battle against Goliath; from the maps and advice from those who care, it appears that the Proposed Route is being discarded. Why call it the Proposed route when the Alternative is being touted? Is this because the PUC is going along with Edison for whatever reason?

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