

Email: Ivanpah-Control Project EIR Team

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My name is Jeff Borders. I own 140 acres north of Inyokern adjacent to the high power lines that SCE plans to upgrade. As far as I can tell from the planning documents on the website, SCE is planning to upgrade and replace towers and high voltage wires as needed to maintain the 115 Kv carrying capacity. This does not appear to increase the capacity of the lines, for example, to 138 kv. I don't understand why the plan does not include increasing the carrying capacity of the lines.

In early 2012, the state of California and Inyo county created a planning overlay designating properties adjacent to the power lines as potential solar and wind sites. In 2011, Lincoln Renewable Energy, LLC signed an option agreement with myself and adjacent property owners to purchase our properties for the purpose of building a large scale solar generation facility. After 3 years of studies and applications with the State and SCE, Lincoln opted out of the project.

Their explanation was that the existing high power lines did not have sufficient capacity to ship the power that would be generated by their planned solar facility. So again, I wonder, why would SCE go through all of the effort and expense to simply replace the existing 115 Kv lines? This will not provide additional carrying capacity to add additional solar and wind generation facilities along the route in the near future which was the purpose for the power generation overlay.

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