

## AGAINST SUNRISE POWERLINK

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To: Members of the Public Utilities Commission:

I strongly oppose the Sunrise PowerLink! Here's why:

1<sup>st</sup> - The proposed 18 story structures will **visually blight** 2 of our San Diego backcountry treasures – Anza Borrego Desert State Park & Cleveland National Forest.(where I ran wild as a kid growing up in SD.) & not just visually blight. Building/installing these structures (18 stories !) will negatively impact the ecology of each region that they go through, & ...deposit a permanent increased risk of fires. We have so few fully natural spaces left in our region.

We need to protect & preserve these wild places for future generations.

My 2<sup>nd</sup> reason for opposing this project is that the Draft Environmental Impact Report & Statement is clear that **WE DON'T NEED SUNRISE POWERLINK**. There are more efficient ways to deliver power in our region. The evidence is compelling that we must go forward with safer, & renewable energy sources.

In the 60ies, I was reading Ray Bradbury, a Science Fiction writer. In his stories, *The Martian Chronicles*, he wrote prophetically of the advanced & delicately beautiful environment that visitors from our planet found on future trips to Mars. & what did these visitors from our planet, for commercial benefit, impose on this non fossil fuel, dimly understood yet clearly celestial culture & pristine & vulnerable environment...as they colonized it ... Hotdog stands.

*Keep repeating past mistakes.*

Please ...let's not ~~do this again~~. I ask you to take us forward. Oppose the Sunrise Powerlink.

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