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Hello,

If any of you have visited our wonderful National and State Parks, whether for a short visit or an over-night stay, you realized what very special places these parks are to you, your family and all Americans. Well, by allowing the Sunrise Powerlink to cut its way through Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, you will be changing the quality and character of the park for all of us.

Qualities lost to Anza-Borrego include possible archaeological and paleontological sites, surely special views and because deserts have been proven quieter than music recording studios, the desert serenity because of that high-tension "buzz". But no park is safe from this kind of danger----whether it be Anza-Borrego, Yellowstone or Yosemite!

What about a power line crossing Yosemite Valley, viewable from Inspiration Point or the Wawona Tunnel overlook? Far fetched? Not at all. By supporting the construction of the Powerlink through Anza-Borrego, that precedent will be used as the **foundation** for any other utility in the country to construct what they want, through any state OR national park. And corporate lawyers will be referring to this decision for years, to acquire public land to construct other projects through any of our parks! This will be the first time land, that was set aside for the public as Wilderness, will be taken from the people for any project---and the sad part about it is that the Powerlink has been determined unnecessary by the Draft Environmental Impact Report and Statement that was prepared by our own national and state governments!

Considering the Powerlink will mean more imported power, possibly mean more back-country fires (and we all know the tragic consequences of San Diego fires) and will destroy designated Wilderness, how can anyone, in good conscience, support its construction? There are better----smarter ways to increase power supplies in southern California. Please don't support a utility, that would take more of what little public land we have left, to build such a senseless project.

Thank you and have a good day,

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