SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT

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December 3, 2013

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RE: Santa Cruz 115 KV Reinforcement Project A.12-02-012

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

I am writing to express my concerns regarding a transmission line project in Santa Cruz County. Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) filed an application for a permit to construct a 115-kilovolt power line in Santa Cruz County between Green Valley Substation and Rob Roy Substation. The lines will be installed along narrow, semi-rural roads with limited sight lines and no infrastructure, such as sidewalks or bike lanes. I previously wrote to PUC President Michael Peevey on June 6, 2013 to respectfully request that the Commission require PG&E to make safety improvements during their installation of the new power poles.

In addition, the project has the potential to disrupt native wildlife and habitat. It may necessitate the removal of many trees, including heritage trees, and it could cause significant noise, air, and water pollution. There also may be impacts on traffic and overall neighborhood aesthetics in this rural residential environment.

Residents of the surrounding area have contacted my office after their attempts to work with PG&E on this issue were unsuccessful. I appreciate that PG&E is undertaking this project to ensure reliable service to residents in a more rural part of the county and I support their efforts. However, I believe the current project merits a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routes and undergrounding of utilities.

Sincerely,

Mark Stone

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cc: Supervisor Zach Friend





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SUBJECT:

Comment Letter RE: Santa Cruz 115 kv Project

Total pages including cover: 2

Attached you will find my comments regarding the Santa Cruz 115 kv Project.



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November 25, 2013

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RE: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing to express the concerns of the Central Water District (CWD) regarding the Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E. The CWD is located in Aptos, California and some of the proposed project locations lie within the District boundaries. The CWD understands the necessity to update and replace outmoded infrastructure however I believe that the following matters need to be addressed as they have the potential to impact the District:

- The proposed poles will be located near District infrastructure that is scheduled to be replaced within the next five years. The District has steel "World War II" thin-walled water mains that are located next to and run along many of the proposed locations. These water mains will need to be replaced before any major project is constructed near them due to the age and condition of this particular infrastructure.
- It is my understanding that the 100 foot poles will be installed in the existing 10' utility easement. The CWD has water main pipes located in in these easements as well as in the streets near/alongside these easements. The installation of these poles is cause for concern in relation to current and future setback requirements.
- The CWD is a primary groundwater recharge area in the County of Santa Cruz and with
 the size of the poles planned to be used for the project I am concerned that there is the
 potential for leaching of wood preservatives that contain pentachlorophenol (PCP) and
 other chemicals that are used to preserve wooden PG&E poles.

I have reviewed the CPUC Draft Initial Study/Negative Declaration and appreciate the level of detail therein. And I did read that, as part of the report preparation, the Soquel Creek Water District was contacted however it seems that there has been a lack of coordination with the CWD. The District is requesting that, absent a full EIR, the project team contact CWD to coordinate planning for future construction efforts so as to prevent damage to CWD infrastructure.

Sincerely,

Ralph Bracamonte

District Manager, Central Water District



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December 10, 2013

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RE: SANTA CRUZ 115 KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT A.12-02-012

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

I am writing at the unanimous direction of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors to request that the California Public Utilities Commission require the preparation of a full Environmental Impact Report for the project identified above.

As you are aware, PG&E's application would permit the construction of a 115 kilovolt power line in Santa Cruz County between the Green Valley Substation and the Rob Roy Substation in Aptos. The project will include the installation of multiple miles of larger new poles to replace the outdated system.

While our Board understands that improvements may be necessary to enhance service delivery for residents in our community, we are extremely concerned that absent a full EIR, no opportunities exist to consider mitigations to impacts which would most certainly be caused by the project as currently proposed. Upon preliminary review of the application, we have concerns that this project might be inconsistent with the County's General Plan. Specifically, we are concerned about such issues as pedestrian and motorist safety, environmental impacts, alternate routes, and the need to study whether it is possible to locate these transmission lines underground. Clearly, these issues will only be addressed if the applicant is required to prepare an EIR.

Residents in our community deserve to have this project studied in depth. Accordingly, we urge that the Public Utilities Commission require the preparation of a full

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Environmental Impact Report on the proposed project, including alternate alignments and the possibility of undergrounding.

Sincerely,

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Board of Supervisors

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Clerk of the Board

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December 6, 2013

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RE: SANTA CRUZ 115 KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT A.12-02-012

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

I am writing to express my disappointment concerning the decision by the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to issue a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) instead of requiring a full Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in reference to the above application. In order to construct a 115 kilovolt power line in Santa Cruz County between the Green Valley Substation and the Rob Roy Substation in rural Aptos, the proposed project includes the installation of multiple miles of larger new poles to replace the outdated system.

As I said in my June 2013 letter, I do not dispute the need to make improvements to older transmission lines and I appreciate the work being done to ensure safe and reliable service to rural residents in our county. However, the transmission line traverses multiple miles of rural landscape, and the impacts of the project may have countywide ramifications. The MND lacks the environmental oversight warranted for a project of this size and scope.

In July of this year I met with you and staff from Panorama Environmental, Inc. and had, at least what I believed to be, a productive discussion on the need to fully examine the impacts this project will have on the community. Throughout our meeting I expressed my support for the work to improve electrical transmission but made explicit my concerns surrounding public safety, my desire that undergrounding be taken into consideration, and my concern that a full EIR needs to be conducted. Given my expressed concerns and the feedback I received at our meeting, I was surprised by the PUC's failure to require a full EIR, thus undermining the integrity of the process.

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Roads surrounding this project are narrow, without curbs or sidewalks, making it hazardous for motorists as well as children walking to or from school. In addition, issues of public safety have failed to be addressed through the examination of alternate routes that may have potentially less impact on residents and their safety.

Land surrounding the proposed project has an array of uses including agriculture, popular cycling routes, and residential homes. The project has the potential to cause significant impacts, remove trees, and disrupt habitat. Given the diversity in our rural community surrounding this project, and the important rural character, the MND does not go far enough to understand or examine the environmental impacts on the various activities that occur within this beautiful portion of our county.

The completion of a full EIR assessment of the project, including environmental impacts, public safety, alternate routes, and potential undergrounding, is necessary. Over the past month I have received numerous letters and phone calls from residents in the surrounding areas and attended multiple community meetings during which residents expressed their concerns about the size and placement of the project. Residents have spoken with a unified voice for their desire to examine alternate routes, undergrounding, and the need for a complete EIR.

With proper consideration of the environmental impacts, I believe a balance can be reached between the need to improve the current infrastructure and the impacts on this rural portion of our county. Accordingly, I urge the PUC to require a full Environmental Impact Report of the proposed project, including alternate alignments and the possibility of undergrounding. In addition, at the December 10, 2013, meeting of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, I will be requesting that the Board authorize the Chairperson to send a letter to the PUC expressing the same concerns outlined in this letter.

Sincerely,

ZACH FRIEND, Supervisor Second District

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cc: PG&E

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From: <u>David Garibotti</u>

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Subject: SC 115kv EP

Date: Friday, November 22, 2013 3:14:59 PM

Tanya,

It was a pleasure speaking with you today. It is my understanding as a result of our discussion the County of Santa Cruz Department of Public Works will be deleted from Paragraph 1.4.

It will be necessary for PG&E to contact us when it is time to perform work in the right-of-way, but I understand that is a couple of years in the future.

Thank you for your time today.

Very truly yours,

Dave

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Re: PG&E Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project (A.12-01-012)
Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company ("PG&E") has reviewed the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration ("IS/MND") and agrees that an MND is appropriate for this project. PG&E appreciates the substantial effort expended by Commission staff and its consultant to prepare this environmental review in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"). PG&E sets forth herein its more substantive comments and includes in an attached chart additional, technical comments.

Existing System and Project Need

The Draft MND states in Section 2.3 (page 2-4) that:

"Large-scale service interruptions could occur if there are overlapping outages in the existing electricity supply system."

To elaborate, electric power to over 65,000 customers in the communities of Aptos, Rio Del Mar, Capitola, Soquel, Santa Cruz, Scotts Valley, Felton and Ben Lomand in Santa Cruz County is delivered via two 115 kV transmission lines from Green Valley Substation that are more than 50 years old. Should one line go out of service during peak demand periods, the remaining line will be heavily loaded. Should other system support equipment be out of service when one of the existing lines goes out of service, thousands of customers could be without power until the affected line is returned to service. And should both lines be out of service, all 65,000 customers would be without power until one of the lines is returned to service.

PG&E's proposed project will add capacity to the existing transmission system, and it will also improve service reliability for those communities. By adding a new, third 115 kV



transmission line to the system, there will be less stress on the existing system serving the area. The new line will provide capacity to serve the long-term needs of the area. And combined outages of one line and system support equipment would not result in customers losing service.

Operations and Maintenance

The MND states on page 2-48, in the first sentence, that PG&E proposes to implement the Applicant Proposed Measures ("APM") and Mitigation Measures ("MM") "during the design, construction, and operation of the proposed project to avoid or minimize the potential environmental impacts." While PG&E does intend to implement the APMs and MMs during the design and construction phases of the project, it does not intend to continue to implement them during the operations and maintenance ("O&M") phase since there is no potentially-significant impact created by project O&M activities. The Draft MND recognizes as much: "Inspection, maintenance, and repair of the new 115-kV power lines would continue to be performed as it has been for the existing lines in the project corridor." In other words, once construction is complete, PG&E's O&M work would be governed by PG&E's standard best management practices and all applicable legal requirements for this ongoing work.

To apply project APMs and MMs to the O&M work would not be legally justified. There must be a project impact, in fact, a potentially-significant project impact, in order to warrant mitigation. Otherwise, there is no constitutional nexus to support mitigation. Here, the baseline for assessing project impacts is the existing O&M activities and there is no evidence that the project will create impacts above that baseline. On the contrary, the Draft MND notes that there will be no change to baseline conditions. Consequently, a requirement to continue to perform the APMs and MMs during O&M activities is beyond the scope of permissible mitigation.

There is no language in the APMs or MMs themselves suggesting that they will apply during future O&M activities. PG&E respectfully requests that all references in the Draft MND to this effect be removed from the final MND, as follows:

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¹ Draft MND, p. 2-46, section 2.7.1, first sentence.

² See, e.g., CEQA Guidelines section 15126.4(a)(4) (requiring essential connection or "nexus" between the condition and a legitimate lead agency interest in dealing with the proposed project; *Nollan v. California Coastal Commission*, 483 U.S. 825 (1987).



- Page 2-48, first sentence (noted above);
- Pages 3.4-67 and 3.4-68 (references to Mitigation Measures Biology-1, Biology-2, and Biology-7 through Biology-15);
- Page 3.8-11(references to APM HYD-1 and Mitigation Measure Hazards-2).
- Page 3.18-12 ("Operation and Maintenance" section, second paragraph); and
- Table 4.1-1 (references to "after construction" in the "Timing of Action" column).³

Mitigation Measure Cumulative-2

PG&E requests that Mitigation Measure Cumulative-2 be stricken because it prohibits PG&E from obtaining construction water for the project from the City of Santa Cruz during certain defined periods of critical water shortage. After further review of this measure with the construction team, PG&E believes this measure could cause construction delays and increased ratepayer costs for little benefit. As the draft MND notes, the project is expected to utilize only 0.74 acre-feet of water over the 15-18 month construction timeframe. To put this amount in perspective, according to the California State Water Resources Control Board, "one acre-foot is taken to be the planned water usage of a suburban family household, annually." Thus, the project proposes to use approximately half as much water as does a single individual household. This measure would effectively require PG&E to halt construction, indefinitely, for lack of a very small amount of water, when the impact of such water usage is not significant but rather *de minimis*. PG&E also notes that although the Draft MND states at page 2-48 that PG&E has

³ Such references are found in Mitigation Measures Biology-1, Biology-2, Biology-6, and Biology-16.

⁴ Draft MND, p. 3.18-20.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/about_us/performance_report_1011/plan_assess/12514_ww_reclamation.shtml (definition of "acre-foot" in glossary).

The typical household uses 0.08 acre-feet per month (1 acre-foot divided by 12 months) while the project proposes to use approximately half that amount, or 0.04 acre-feet per month (0.75 acre-feet divided by 18 months).



agreed to implement all of the MMs as set forth in the document, PG&E saw the text of Mitigation Measure Cumulative-2 for the first time upon reviewing the Draft MND and has not previously agreed to implement it. For these reasons, PG&E respectfully requests that Mitigation Measure Cumulative-2 be omitted from the final MND.

The Draft MND states in several places that water for construction activities would be provided by either the City of Santa Cruz Municipal Utilities or the City of Santa Cruz Neary Lagoon Treatment Plant. Because this description is unduly restrictive, PG&E respectfully requests that the text of the final MND be modified to state as follows:

"Water for construction activities would be provided by a local water treatment facility or municipal water utility within the Pajaro Valley Groundwater Basin."

Potentially Required Permits

The Draft MND states that PG&E may be required to obtain a Significant Tree Removal Permit as well as a Building Permit from Santa Cruz County. Neither permit will be required. A Significant Tree Removal Permit is only required of projects located in the Coastal Zone, which this project is not. Furthermore, since a Significant Tree Removal Permit is a discretionary local permit, the requirement to obtain it is preempted. Similarly, a Building

The question of whether local agencies are pre-empted from regulating the construction or installation of utility facilities is answered in section 8 of Article XII of the California Constitution, which states in pertinent part: "A city, county, or other public body may not regulate matters over which the Legislature grants regulatory power to the Commission."

55 Cal.P.U.C.2d at 95. Moreover, the Commission noted that Public Utilities Code section 761 "clearly vests in the Commission regulatory authority over the methods and means of locating and constructing public utility equipment

⁷ Draft MND, p. 3.17-1, p. 3.17-4, and p. 3.18-20.

⁸ P. SUM-2, Table SUM-1; p. 2-47, Table 2.8-1.

Santa Cruz County Code § 16.34.015.

The installation of public utility facilities is governed by General Order 131-D of the California Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission"). In Decision 94-06-014, (1994) 55 Cal.P.U.C.2d 87, by which the Commission adopted General Order 131-D, the Commission explained that cities and counties cannot regulate the location or construction of electric substations:



Permit is expressly not required for the installation, alteration or repair of transmission equipment owned by a public utility¹¹ and is also preempted.¹² The references to these two permits should be stricken.

Proposed Project Pole Summary

Table 2.5-1 (page 2-23), Proposed Project Pole Summary, contains a footnote (no. 2) stating that:

"[t]he maximum number of poles that could be added is presented in this table and analyzed in this IS."

PG&E notes that the preceding footnote states that "[p]ole numbers are approximate and may change after final engineering." Similarly, the first sentence of the second footnote states that "[d]ue to final engineering additional poles may be required." Because the number of poles could change upon final engineering, or due to Commission requirements or other factors, PG&E requests that the second sentence of footnote 2 be stricken. In addition, because some of the numbers presented in Table 2.5-1 were only estimates provided by PG&E based upon information available at the time of the submission, PG&E has prepared an updated Table 2.5-1, included as Attachment 1 hereto, and requests that it be substituted in the final MND.

Wetland Impacts

The Draft MND states at page 2-34 that PG&E will need to fill approximately 180 square feet while replacing a culvert underneath Kliewer Lane. PG&E has now completed a formal wetland delineation and estimates it will fill approximately 125 square feet at this location. The Draft MND also states that PG&E will need to lay aggregate in a seasonal wetland off of Pioneer Lane for trucks to access a pole and will fill approximately 40 square feet at this location. PG&E now estimates it will fill approximately 136 square feet at this location.

and facilities." *Id.* Therefore, discretionary (as opposed to ministerial) regulation by local governments is preempted by the Commission's jurisdiction.

Cal. Bldg. Code § 105.2.2. In addition, the Draft MND states on page 3.18-13 that the project would be constructed "in accordance with the most recent version of the California Building Code seismic safety requirements." Again, because the project is not subject to the California Building Code, this reference should be omitted from the final MND.

¹² See note 10, supra.



Right-of-Way Expansions

The Draft MND states at page 3.1-31 (last paragraph) that rights-of-way would not be expanded by more than 10 feet. This is incorrect and is inconsistent with Table 2.4-1 which notes in several places that rights-of-way along the Northern Alignment may need to be expanded by more than 10 feet. In addition, the statement in Table 2.4-1 with respect to the Cox-Freedom Segment that:

"An overhang easement of 10 feet on adjacent properties may be required in limited locations"

may not be accurate since easements in excess of 10 feet may be required depending upon the outcome of property line surveys. Consequently, PG&E respectfully requests that this sentence be omitted from the final MND.

Construction Equipment

Section 2.6.6 and Table 2.6-4 (pages 2-43 through 2-43) list the equipment that would be used during project construction. It appears that this list is derived from Attachment 2B: Construction Equipment Summary, of the Proponent's Environmental Assessment ("PEA") for this project. However, Attachment 2B of the PEA notes that the equipment list is an approximation. Because variations in the specific type of equipment listed could occur depending on construction needs, and because PG&E understands Table 2.6-4 to reflect an estimate of equipment needs based on a typical project that is similar in scope, PG&E requests the following modification be made to Section 2.6.6 (indicated by strikeout/underline):

"The <u>Typical</u> equipment that would be used during project construction, as well as a summary of deliveries and pickups for each piece of equipment, is <u>provided summarized</u> in Table 2.6-4."

Selection of Poles

Section 2.5.1, at pages 2-22 through page 2-23, states with respect to the Cox-Freedom segment that:

"TSPs may be used in place of wood poles along the alignment if requested by the landowner. . . ."



This language should be omitted from the final MND. The type of pole material (steel or wood) has already been determined based on engineering considerations, in particular, the allowable minimum distance of steel poles to existing underground steel facilities. The few TSPs along this segment of the alignment are at hard angles and are located an appropriate distance away from existing underground utilities. Consequently, PG&E is not free to change the design as indicated.

Grading

Section 2.6.1, at page 2-29, states that grading may be required "along unpaved access roads, at pole work sites, and pull sites." PG&E notes that grading may also be required at Rob Roy Substation. The final MND should reflect this additional potential grading.

Nighttime Construction

Section 3.1.3, part D, at page 3.1-32, states that:

"No nighttime construction requiring lighting would be performed during project construction."

In fact, as noted in the PEA for this project at page 2-34,

"Occasionally, work will occur during the evening hours. Such activities will include, but are not limited to, monitoring the substation foundation curing process, and testing and commissioning the new substation components."

There may be other reasons, including emergencies or the need to perform certain work when clearances can be taken, that require work to be performed during nighttime hours. Consequently, PG&E requests that the language in Section 3.1.3, Part D be revised as follows:

"No nighttime construction requiring lighting would be performed during project construction. Therefore, there would be no impact "Occasionally, work will occur during the evening hours. Such activities will include, but are not limited to, monitoring the substation foundation curing process, and testing and commissioning the new substation components. Any such work would be very limited in duration and impacts would be less than significant."



Reflective Bollards

APM TRA-01 states that:

"Reflective bollards will be installed around the base of TSP foundations to increase vehicle safety along Dalton Lane and at the corner of McDonald Road and Freedom Boulevard."

After PG&E drafted this APM, it modified the project design to locate the TSP at the corner of McDonald Road and Freedom Boulevard at least 20 feet from the edge of the pavement. Consequently, a reflective bollard is no longer necessary at this location. PG&E requests that APM TRA-01 (referenced on pages 2-68, 3.16-6, the last carryover sentence on page 3.16-12, and 4-34) be revised as follows:

"Reflective bollards will be installed around the base of TSP foundations to increase vehicle safety along Dalton Lane and at the corner of McDonald Road and Freedom Boulevard."

In addition, the Draft MND states on page 3.16-12 that:

"All new TSPs would be installed a minimum of 20 feet away from the pavement edge."

PG&E wishes to clarify that the statement is only applicable to TSPs along the Cox-Freedom segment. TSPs along the Dalton Lane portion of the Northern alignment will be within 20 feet from the pavement edge but will have reflective bollards installed at those pole locations. Thus, the language should be modified as follows:

"All new TSPs <u>along the Cox-Freedom Segment</u> would be installed a minimum of 20 feet away from the pavement edge."

Mitigation Measure Biology-9

Table 4.1-1 at page 4-14 references Mitigation Measure Biology-9 and states as a monitoring requirement for that MM:

"Verify that no work occurs between sunset and sunrise in Santa Cruz long-toed salamander habitat unless the conditions specified in the measure are met."



However, Mitigation Measure Biology-9 itself contains no reference to work occurring between sunset and sunrise. Consequently, PG&E requests that this monitoring requirement be stricken.

Helicopter Fight Plans

Section 3.16.3, Section C, at page 3.16-12, states that:

"PG&E would coordinate with air traffic control and applicable agencies before helicopters are used."

It is PG&E's understanding that helicopter contractors are responsible for making any required notifications, and not PG&E. Indeed, the Draft MND states as much on page 2-35:

"The helicopter contractor would be responsible for notifying the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) of proposed flight paths 24 hours in advance of helicopter operations..."

PG&E respectfully requests that the paragraph on page 3.16-12 be replaced with the paragraph on page 2-35.

Franchise

In several places, the Draft MND states that the project will be constructed in an existing distribution right-of-way. ¹³ The language should be clarified to state that the project will be constructed in existing rights-of-way and/or in Santa Cruz County franchise.

Minor Project Modifications

Section 4.2, at page 4-2, states that:

"Project modifications cannot proceed if they would require ground-disturbing activities outside the geographic boundary of the

P. MND-2, first sentence, item #2; p. SUM-2, section 8, 2nd bullet point; p. 1-1, section 1.1.1, 2nd bullet point; p. 2-21, Table. 2.4-1 (discussion of Cox-Freedom Segment, first sentence, refers to an easement along the Cox-Freedom Segment; this segment is located within the Santa Cruz County road franchise.



project corridor or would create a new or substantially more severe significant impact."

PG&E believes this language is unduly restrictive. To avoid incurring significant costs before the Commission approves the Project, final engineering will be performed after the Commission has completed its CEQA review and approved the project. Final engineering sometimes results in minor modifications to the project design. In addition, new information learned post-approval and during construction can also lead to a need to make minor refinements to the project. Further, interactions with other agencies and property owners after approval of a project can also lead to a desire to make minor refinements to the project, if it accommodates another party without adding significantly to costs or delaying the schedule, and if the modification has no significant adverse environmental impact.

The restrictive modification language of Section 4.2 could require that PG&E institute a new proceeding and seek a full vote of the Commission, through a petition for modification of the original decision on this project, in order to make minor refinements to the project. That result may occur even if the Energy Division determines that the change would have no significant adverse impact on the environment, or even if the change would benefit the environment. PG&E submits that requiring an extensive and burdensome proceeding that in no way is required by CEQA or any other state law, is not a prudent or efficient use of the Commission's resources.

PG&E instead requests that the following language be included in the final MND:

"Energy Division may approve requests by PG&E for minor project modifications that may be necessary during final engineering and construction of the Project so long as Energy Division finds that such minor project modifications would not result in new significant environmental effects or a substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects."

Additional Comments

Additional suggested minor revisions and corrections to the draft MND are noted in the attached chart, included as Attachment 2, hereto.



PG&E appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments. Please feel free to contact me if further information or clarification is necessary.

Very truly yours,

Matthew A. Fogelson

MAF:bd Attachments (2)

cc: Ms. Tania Treis, Principal, w/attachments, via E-Mail Tania. Treis@panoramaenv.com Mr. Brandon Liddell, Sr. Land Planner – PG&E, w/attachments

ATTACHMENT 1

2: Project Description

Action/Project Component	TSP1	Wood ¹	Stub ¹	Wood Distribution
Add		I		
Northern Alignment	72<u>73</u>	0	0	0
Cox-Freedom Segment	3	24	<u> 56</u>	++ <u>12</u>
Rob Roy Substation Connections	4	0	0	0
Total ²	79-86 <u>80-88</u>	24-26	5-6 6-7	11-12 12-13
Remove	5			
Northern Alignment	0	61 <u>62</u>	0	0
Cox-Freedom Segment	0	2 5 <u>0</u>	<u>05</u>	2 <u>40</u>
Rob Roy Substation Connections	<u>+0</u>	<u>3</u> 0	0	0
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Notes

Pole numbers are approximate and may change after final engineering.

² Due to final engineering additional poles may be required. The maximum number of poles that could be added is presented in this table and analyzed in this IS.

ATTACHMENT 2

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Comments on Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration

Comment #	Page and Paragraph or Table #	Existing Language	Issue	Recommendation
1	Page MND- 1, last paragraph	"Rebuilding approximately 7.1 miles of the existing Green Valley-Camp Evers 115-kV Power Line (Northern Alignment) from a single-circuit line to a double-circuit line by replacing the existing wood power poles with tubular steel poles (TSPs) and installing new conductors."	Clarify that PG&E will be installing new conductors on both circuits.	"Rebuilding approximately 7.1 miles of the existing Green Valley-Camp Evers 115-kV Power Line (Northern Alignment) from a single-circuit line to a double-circuit line by replacing the existing wood power poles with tubular steel poles (TSPs) and installing new conductors on both circuits."
2	Page MND- 13, last full paragraph	"Use of helicopters shall be limited, to the extent practicable, to trips necessary to deliver, install and/or remove towers, poles, conductor, and tower/pole related equipment."	PG&E is not installing any "towers"	"Use of helicopters shall be limited, to the extent practicable, to trips necessary to deliver, install and/or remove towers, poles, conductor, and tower/pole related equipment."
3	Page Sum-2, Table SUM-		PG&E will be obtaining a Streambed Alteration Agreement (SAA) from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, but a SAA is not listed in the table.	Add SAA to the List of Permits.
4	Page 2-1, 2 nd bullet, 2 nd indent	"Replacing existing distribution wood poles averaging 39 feet tall with new wood transmission poles averaging 89 feet tall."	The project involves a 115-kV power line. Transmission lines are generally considered to operate at 200 kV or higher.	These are all power lines per CPUC definition. Ensure that the Northern Alignment and Cox-Freedom Segment components are referred to as a power line, not a transmission line.
5	Page 2-1, Section 2.2	"The only upgrade since the system was built was the addition of voltage support equipment at Paul Sweet Substation in the 1970's"	The voltage support equipment was added to the Paul Sweet Substation in 1997.	"The only upgrade since the system was built was the addition of voltage support equipment at Paul Sweet Substation in the 1970's 1997"
6	Page 2-9 Fig. 2.4-4	E-32	Symbol should be an orange triangle (not circle) to represent that this pole is being removed.	Revise figure accordingly.
7	Page 2-11 Fig. 2.4-6	E-48	Symbol should be an orange circle (not triangle) to represent that this pole is remaining.	Revise figure accordingly.
8	Page 2-16 Fig. 2.4-11	C-77	The existing stub pole that C-77 is replacing is not shown. Add orange triangle symbol with label E-86S.	Revise figure accordingly.
9	Page 2-16 Fig. 2.4-11	CS-90	The existing stub pole that CS-90 is replacing is not shown. Add orange triangle symbol with label E-90S.	Revise figure accordingly.
10	Page 2-16 Fig. 2.4-11	E-92	Symbol should be an orange triangle (not circle) to represent that this pole is being removed.	Revise figure accordingly.
11	Page 2-16 Fig. 2.4-11	C-81S	This number is incorrect. It should be C-82S.	Revise figure accordingly.
12	Page 2-16 Fig. 2.4-11	C-82S (C-81S)	The existing stub pole that C-82S is replacing is not shown. Add orange triangle symbol with label E-82S.	Revise figure accordingly.
13	Page 2-17 Fig. 2.4-12	E-99	Symbol should be an orange triangle (not circle) to represent that this pole is being removed.	Revise figure accordingly.
14	Page 2-17 Fig. 2.4-12	E-100	Symbol should be an orange triangle (not circle) to represent that this pole is being removed.	Revise figure accordingly.
15	Page 2-17 Fig. 2.4-12	E-101	Symbol should be an orange triangle (not circle) to represent that this pole is being removed.	Revise figure accordingly.
16	Page 2-17 Fig. 2.4-12	C-87	The existing cable pole that C-87 is replacing is not shown. Add orange triangle symbol with label E-104A	Revise figure accordingly.
17	Page 2-18 Fig. 2.4-13	E-112	Symbol should be an orange triangle (not circle) to represent that this pole is being removed.	Revise figure accordingly.
18	Page 2-18 Fig. 2.4-13	C-93S	The existing stub pole that C-93S is replacing is not shown. Add orange triangle symbol with label E-	Revise figure accordingly.

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19	Page 2-18 Fig. 2.4-13	GV(RR)-PS C-76C	This number is incorrect. It should be GV(RR)-PS C-76.	Revise figure accordingly.
20	Page 2-18 Fig. 2.4-13	GV-RR#1 E-75 to C-75A	There should be a line shown to represent the "Green Valley-Rob Roy #1 Alignment Retensioning Segment"	Revise figure accordingly.
21	Page 2-18 Fig. 2.4-13	C-75A to Rob Roy Sub Takeoff	There should be a line shown to represent the "Green Valley-Rob Roy #1 Alignment New Line Segment"	Revise figure accordingly.
22	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-31 to C-32	A pole was added to the project, so C-31 and C-32 are now renumbered to C-32 and C-33.	Revise figure accordingly.
23	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-32 to C-33	A pole was added to the project, so these pole numbers should increase by 1, from (C-32 to C-33) to (C-33 – C-34).	Revise figure accordingly.
24	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-33 to C-34	A pole was added to the project, so these pole numbers should increase by 1, from (C-33 to C-34) to (C-34 – C-35).	Revise figure accordingly.
25	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-41 to C-42	A pole was added to the project, so these pole numbers should increase by 1, from (C-41 to C-42) to (C-42 – C-43).	Revise figure accordingly.
26	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-52 to C-53	A pole was added to the project, so these pole numbers should increase by 1, from (C-52 to C-53) to (C-53 – C-54).	Revise figure accordingly.
27	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-53 to C-54	A pole was added to the project, so these pole numbers should increase by 1, from (C-53 to C-54) to (C-54 – C-55).	Revise figure accordingly.
28	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-54 to C-55	A pole was added to the project, so these pole numbers should increase by 1, from (C-54 to C-55) to (C-55 – C-56).	Revise figure accordingly.
29	Page 2-21 Table 2.4-1	C-55 to C-56	A pole was added to the project, so these pole numbers should increase by 1, from (C-55 to C-56) to (C-56 – C-57).	Revise figure accordingly.
30	Page 2-22 Section 2.5.1 1 st para	"Existing poles range from single to triplicate wood structures and range in size from 35 to 77 feet tall."	The height above ground for poles being removed or modified along the Northern Alignment range in size from 31 to 76 feet tall.	"Existing poles range from single to triplicate wood structures and range in size from 35 to 77 31 to 76 feet tall."
31	Page 2-22 Footnote 2	"In locations where a large change of conductor direction is required, two TSPs separated by up to 45 feet may be used."	The widest separation as currently designed is actually 63 feet (GV-CE C-01 & GV-RR #2 C-01).	"In locations where a large change of conductor direction is required, two TSPs separated by up to 45 63 feet may be used."
32	Page 2-25 Section 2.5.1, carryover paragraph	"Up to four guy wires may be installed per pole."	The correct number is five.	"Up to four five guy wires may be installed per pole."
33	Page 2-25 Section 2.5.2, 1 st para.	"The overhead conductor would be attached to the transmission poles using six non-reflective grey porcelain insulators installed on each TSP."	This language only refers to suspension type configurations and not to deadend structures.	To cover both suspension and deadend structures, revise language as follows: "The overhead conductor would be attached to the transmission poles using six non-reflective grey porcelain insulators installed on each suspension type TSP, and twelve or more insulators at each deadend TSP."

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34	Page 2-26, 2 nd para	"The existing distribution conductors that would be collocated on the new poles are generally 2-gauge copper or 715.5-kcmil aluminum with diameters of approximately 0.414 inches and 0.974 inches, respectively."	"2-gauge copper" should read "4-gauge covered aluminum". In addition, "0.414" should be "0.580".	"The existing distribution conductors that would be collocated on the new poles are generally 2-gauge eopper 4-gauge covered aluminum or 715.5-kcmil aluminum with diameters of approximately 0.414 0.580 inches and 0.974 inches, respectively."
35	Page 2-26 2 nd para	"The Cox-Freedom Segment conductors would be attached to the power poles using three non-reflective grey composite or porcelain insulators at each pole."	This language only refers to suspension type configurations and not to deadend structures.	To cover both suspension and deadend structures, revise language as follows: "The Cox-Freedom Segment conductors would be attached to the power poles using three non-reflective grey porcelain insulators installed at each wood transmission pole, and six insulators at each Tubular Steel Pole (TSP) location."
36	Page 2-26, 2 nd para	"In instances where distribution conductors are collocated on the power line poles, the distribution conductors would be installed approximately 8 feet below the lowest 115-kV conductor;"	The proposed distribution conductor will be a minimum of 8 feet below the 115-kV conductor and more in some locations.	"In instances where distribution conductors are collocated on the power line poles, the distribution conductors would be installed approximately at least 8 feet below the lowest 115-kV conductor;"
37	Page 2-27, Figure 2.5-2	"Rob Roy Substation Proposed Layout Including Parcel Boundary"	Figure title is incorrect – states "Rob Roy Substation Proposed Layout Including Parcel Boundary." Outline of station as shown is not the PG&E parcel boundary. Parcel boundary is larger.	"Rob Roy Substation Proposed Layout Including Parcel Boundary"
38	Page 2-29, first sentence	"Up to 46 acres of existing vegetation may need to be cleared or mowed along existing unpaved access routes, overland routes, and staging/landing zones and work areas (see Tables 2.6-1 and 2.6-2)."	Table 2.6-1 indicates that up to 3.22 acres of vegetation clearing may be required within access roads. Table 2.6-2 indicates that up to 45.8 acres of vegetation removal or mowing may be required within temporary work areas.	"Up to 46 <u>49</u> acres of existing vegetation may need to be cleared or mowed along existing unpaved access routes, overland routes, and staging/landing zones and work areas (see Tables 2.6-1 and 2.6-2)."
39	Page 2-35, Section 2.6.3, 2 nd para.	"Approximately three staging areas/landing zones would be used during construction."	Figure 2.4 and Table 2.6-2 indicate that four staging areas/landing zones would be used.	"Approximately three <u>four</u> staging areas/landing zones would be used during construction."
40	Page 2-38, 3 rd para.	"Approximately four pull sites would be located along the Cox-Freedom Segment. Three of these pull sites would be located within public paved roads."	Table 2.6-2 states that all four pull sites will be located in public roads.	Table 2.6-2 should be corrected to be consistent with text on page 2-38.
41	Page 2-38, 3 rd para.	"One additional pull site, measuring approximately 115 feet by 70 feet, would be located in the pole work area adjacent to and directly west of Cox Road"	Should reference Freedom Boulevard.	"Would be located in the pole work area adjacent to and directly west of Cox Road Freedom Boulevard."
42	Page 2-47, Table 2.8-1,		PG&E will be obtaining a Streambed Alteration Agreement (SAA) from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, but a SAA is not listed in the table.	Add SAA to the List of Permits.
43	Page 3.1-23, Figure 3.1- 10		Text under Project Elements states: "Replacement of three wood poles with three new TSPs." This is unclear as the second and third existing poles are not visible.	For clarity, suggest revising text to state: "Replacement of one three pole structure with one TSP (two additional replacement TSPs visible in the distance").
44	Page 3.1-25, Figure 3.1- 11		Text under Project Elements states: "Replacement of five wood poles with five new TSPs." The "Before" photo shows only one two pole structure; the "After" photo shows 4 new structures.	Revise text to state: "Replacement of wood structures with TSPs."

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45	Page 3.1-26, Para. 1, last sentence	"The approximately 24 new wooden poles within the residential area would be on average, approximately 50 feet taller than existing distribution poles, with three additional power lines in a new transmission circuit visible on these new poles."	More accurate utility description would be "electric conductors" and not "power lines" which describe an entire infrastructure.	"The approximately 24 new wooden poles within the residential area would be on average, approximately 50 feet taller than existing distribution poles, with three additional power lines electric conductors in a new transmission circuit visible on these new poles."
46	Page 3.44 Page 3.4-5 Figure 3.4-1 Figure 3.4-2		These two maps are part of same set but Legend is different for each; Figure 3.4-1 doesn't have vegetation types.	Make consistent.
47	Page 3.4-45 Table 3.4-7,		APM BIO-29 text refers to APM BIO-25. APM BIO-25 is superseded by Mitigation Measure Biology 7.	The reference should be revised to refer to Mitigation Measure Biology-7.
48	Page 3.4-47 and 3.4-48 Table 3.4-8	2 22 0	Table 3.4-8 describes 0 acres of impact to wetlands. However, Page 3.4-70 describes 0.02 acre of impact to seasonal wetland and 0.83 acre of impacts to fresh emergent wetlands.	An impact of 0.85 acres of wetland should be reflected in Table 3.4-8
49	Page 3.6-15, 4 th para.	"APM GEO-01 would be implemented, which requires PG&E implement the recommendations and findings in the geotechnical report in final project design to minimize the effects of identified landslide-prone areas (<i>i.e.</i> , with slopes steeper than 15 percent)."	APM GEO-1 has been superseded by Mitigation Measure Geology-1.	The reference should be revised to refer to Mitigation Measure Geology-1.
50	Page 3.8-13; Subsection E)	"Structure heights for new project components would range from 35 feet for dead-end take-off structures, to be installed at Rob Roy Substation, to a maximum of 100 feet for some TSPs."	Some project poles will exceed 100 feet in height.	"Structure heights for new project components would range from 35 feet for dead-end take-off structures, to be installed at Rob Roy Substation, to a maximum of 100 105 feet for some TSPs."
51	Page 3.9-11, 2 nd para., last sentence	"PG&E would also obtain a Nationwide 404 Permit from the ACOE and a Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board."	A 1602 SAA will also be obtained from CDFW.	"PG&E would also obtain a Nationwide 404 Permit from the ACOE, and a Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, and a Section 1602 Streambed Alteration Agreement from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife."
52	3.16-11	"No structure built during construction would obstruct navigable airspace and exceed the 200 foot FAA notification requirement described in Title 14, Part 77 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)."	55 poles within 20,000 feet were recently identified as having the potential to require FAA notification based on the potential to exceed the 100-to-1 imaginary surface extending from Watsonville Airport.	Revise to state that 55 poles within 20,000 feet were identified as having the potential to require FAA notification based on the potential to exceed the 100-to-1 imaginary surface extending from Watsonville Airport.
53	Page 3.18-1	"A) Have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory."	Inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15065 (the checklist in the back of the Guidelines has not been updated to reflect the changes to the Guidelines made some time ago.)	"A) Have the potential to <u>substantially</u> degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, <u>substantially</u> reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory."
54	Page 3.4-3	"Monterey Spineflower is listed as endangered under the federal ESA."	Monterey spineflower is listed as threatened under the federal ESA	"Monterey Spineflower is listed as endangered threatened under the federal ESA."
55	Page 3.4-11, Table 3.4-2		The status of Bristly sedge is referenced as "2.1". The species status is 2B.1.	Revise.

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56	Page 3.4-11, Table 3.4-2	2-	The status of Congdon's tarplant is referenced as "1B.2". The species status is 1B.1	Revise.

Susanne Heim

From: John Randolph

Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2013 6:28 AM santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Cc: 'DanC'; 'Mike McIntyre'

Subject: PGE 115KV replacement project App#A.12-02-012

To: Lisa Orsaba, Public Utilities Commission, C/O Panorama Environmental Inc.

This is a public comment to Application A. 12-02-012. The subject of this comment is the portion of the IS/MND which deals with Airport and Airspace impacts.

Please note that the County of Santa Cruz, while it does not have an ALUP, is subject to the California Airport Land Use Handbook, and Federal Aviation Regulation Part 77.

The referenced IS/MND recognizes that the proposed project is within the horizontal boundaries of protected airspace for Watsonville Municipal Airport. The report, however, does not deal with the vertical requirements of that airspace protection. The report must explain how the project meets the requirements of FAR part 77.

Watsonville airport has several instrument approaches, including a RNAV rwy 2 GPS approach. The Terminal Approach Surfaces (TERPS) for these approaches must be explored and vertical clearances properly explained within the report. Towers of up to 108 ft. in the project may be a critical factor when total elevation above the airport runway is considered. The use of taller cranes should also be explained within the context of airspace protection.

From a description of the proposed project, it appears that FAA Form 7460-1 must be filed with the FAA, and a determination must be made as to protected airspace. Specifically, it appears that the project falls within the following requirement:

Federal Aviation Regulation Part 77 Regarding Height:

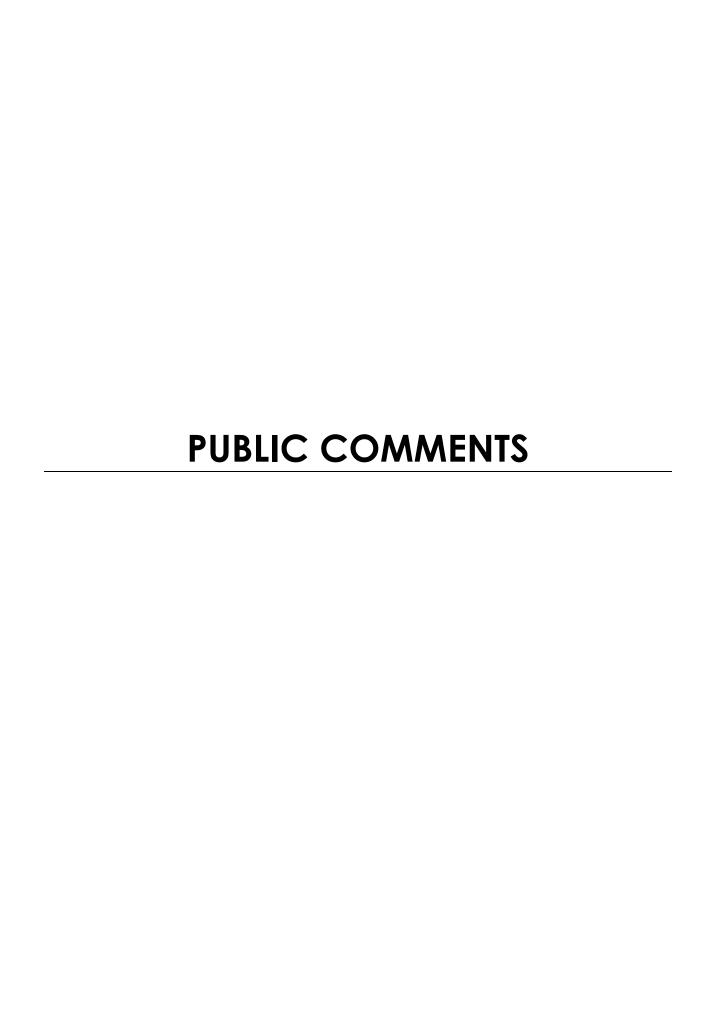
The FAA national airspace system serves several essential notification and coordination functions, beyond simply ensuring the approaches to an airport are not obstructed by the construction of objects. Each person proposing any type of construction or alteration under the provisions of FAR Part 77 is required to notify the FAA by completing FAA Form 7460-1, Notice of Proposed Construction or Alteration. The completed form is sent to the ADO office in Burlingame at least 30 days before proposed construction or application for building permit. For example, it's required for:

Construction /alteration including construction cranes of greater height than an imaginary surface extending outward and upward at one of the following slopes:

- ∠ 100 to 1 for a horizontal distance of 20,000 feet from the nearest point of the nearest runway of each airport (public-use) with at least one runway more than 3,200 feet in actual length, excluding heliports.
- ∠ 50 to 1 for a horizontal distance of 10,000 feet from the nearest point of the nearest runway of each airport with it longest runway no more that 3,200 feet in actual length, excluding heliports.
- ∠ 25 to 1 for a horizontal distance of 5,000 from the nearest point of the nearest landing and takeoff area of each heliport (public use).

Respectfully, John Randolph Assistant secretary for legal affairs, Watsonville Pilots Association c/o 530 Light Springs Rd. Aptos, CA 95003 831-708-8760

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Susanne Heim

From: aaron ashley

Sent: Sunday, November 24, 2013 7:34 AM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: power poles

Hi my name is Aaron Ashley I live at 116 Chaparral Dr. Aptos cal. 95003 the 115kv project that is on the PGE books will change this area forever. It is a rural neighborhood removal of trees and constant trimming of trees that are not removed will change the area we have loved to live in. There must be another way that dose not make this area seem like a city street please study the plan with this in mind you can make a difference.

Hi I am writing this letter to ask you to help preserve the Day valley and Covallitos rural community values. Most of the people I have discussed this with feel we are being pushed around by PGE a company with massive resources that is not in touch with unique little areas like ours. For PGE it is about saving & and fixing a problem as fast as possible. We all agree reliable power is important. Please dont ruin an area that many people love and have worked hard for just to patch a note in a grid on a map. I belive this area of Cox Fd. to be a water shed area that can not be developed beyond one house per existing Lot that is one of the reasons many of the people moved here. The Scope of this project is Large enough to warrent a full EIR at the Least pryor to distarbing the fragile nature of this area Please visit the day vally/covalitos greafor the weekend or a week in the spring prior to your decision it is unique and beautiful 11/28/13 thank you aaron ashy Aaron Ashley 116 Cha Parral Aptos CA. 95003 c 831.345.6381

Susanne Heim

From: ADELE MILLER

Sent:Tuesday, December 03, 2013 9:45 AMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:Santa Cruz 115kv PGE Reinforcement Project

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Lisa,

I strongly request and demand a <u>full environment impact report</u> be completed. Some of the <u>many</u> concerns are:

- Impact on neighborhood and community aesthetics.
- · Loss of hundreds of trees, wild life habitat and natural beauty
- The project crosses acres of designated farmland.
- Alternative routes were not sufficiently explored.
- Alternative construction such as undergrounding was not considered at all.
- How can approval be given without a complete engineering analysis & report?
- As proposed this project would further inhibit the ability of the County to widen, improve roadway in the future
- PG&E poles will change from present 40' to 80',100' & 110' similar to constructing a 10 story

building in our rural neighborhood.

- Project is inconsistent with Santa Cruz County General Plan.
- Corralitos Road is a scenic corridor, it will be permanently altered with a sky line of 100'+ high PG&E poles.

Adele J Miller 345 Hauer Apple Way\ Aptos, CA 95003

Susanne Heim

From: Amy Merrill

Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 2:54 PM

To:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:Letter to CPU - Day Valley CA / 115-KV

Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc.
1 Embarcadero Center, #740
San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Lisa,

I am writing regarding the 115-KV initiative in the Cox Road / Day Valley area of Aptos, CA. I implore you and the Commission to complete an Environmental Impact Report before any changes are made in the area.

I grew up on Calle del Sol, and I understand the potential consequences of this initiative would include loss of trees, wildlife habitats, and the area's rural and natural beauty. My family and the neighborhood's other residents have joined together to call for action, specifically the EIR.

Thank you for your consideration.

Amy Merrill

Ann Farrier 1375 Hames Rd Aptos, CA 95003

Dec 4, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, # 740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Ms. Orsada.

I am writing to express my objection to the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E.

I insist a full ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) be completed on this project before it receives final approval and before work begins on this project.

Reviewing the project as it has been written up and attending the community meetings in our area, I find the investigations for project to be lacking in broad perspective for the impact on the neighborhoods involved and the community at large.

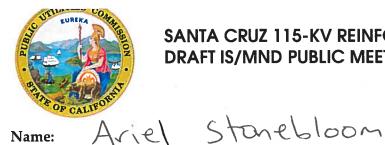
This is a rural community with a significant population density that is not likely to grow due to the zoning restrictions. The project will have quite an impact on the community. It is important to investigate more thoroughly both the PROS and the CONS of this project so the community can support the project, if possible.

I would expect that an EIR will look at possible alternatives to the project, alternate routes for the power lines and poles and the necessity for the project as planned.

Please document my concerns and my request for a full EIR before final approval. Thank you.

Sincerely, January

Ann L Farrier



SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT DRAFT IS/MND PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT

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Name: Arthur Templemon

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1Embarcadero Center, Suite #740 San Francisco, CA 94111 FAX: (650) 373-1211 santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is a response to the proposed Cox-Freedom Segment of the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed;

- over all neighborhood aesthetics
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 significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
 large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees
 disruption to the native habitat and wildlife
 traffic and transportation impact

- noise, air and water pollution
- geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bikers and automobiles on this rural residential road way
- hazards to residents while the project is being executed and permanent hazards to the neighborhood upon completion
- disruption of recreation in the neighborhood
- permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

I demand a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routes and undergrounding of utilities.

Sincerely Yours,

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Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am concerned this project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my rural community. This project adversely affects residents, environment, neighborhood aesthetics, wildlife habitats, and our community values. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant permanent negative effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed;

- over all neighborhood aesthetics
- significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
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should be mandatory for such a massive project (as it is of course for the rest of us doing relatively minor project). Hete all play by the rules. P6: E's wire have already caused multiple fires on our road alone. They also left an eyesore after a ducalyptics treed sillside Clear-cutting (that they ALSO did not need!???) an EIR for 3 this clear-cutting!).

Please enter the following into the public California Public Utilities Commission Record concerning the Santa Cruz 115-kilovolt (kV) Reinforcement Project.

As a 34 year resident of Aptos, I would like to ask that the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to consider the substantial impairment and destruction of community values from the PG&E project, discussed below. The impairment of community values comes from the <u>overhead</u> construction proposed for the "Santa Cruz 115-kilovolt (kV) Reinforcement Project". At numerous community meetings the consensus seems to be that underground construction would be acceptable and even welcomed by the community while the proposed overhead construction using numerous 89' to 101' foot poles and miles of sagging high-voltage lines is totally unacceptable. As an amateur astronomer, I selected where I live based on the unobstructed skyline views afforded from my own backyard. This unobstructed view of the night sky for me and the neighborhood children that come over to use my telescope will be totally destroyed by the overhead construction proposed by PG&E.

Following is an assessment of the PG&E failure to perform an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). This assessment was made by one of my three sons, Robert Gleaton. Robert was born and reared at 1703 Cox Road, Aptos and is now as archeologist that deals with PG&E construction on a day to day basis.

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) filed an application with PG&E for a Permit to Construct the Santa Cruz 115-kilovolt (kV) Reinforcement Project. In doing so, the Application had to be in Compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended. When examining a project that is not exempt from CEQA, the Lead Agency (CPUC) prepares an Initial Study (IS) to determine whether the project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment. If no potential significant effects are identified, a negative declaration is prepared (Section 21080(c)). A mitigated negative declaration is called for if there are potential effects, but these can be mitigated to a level of insignificance (Section 21064.5). In the case of this project, Panorama Environmental Incorporated, retained by PG&E, conducted the IS and declared that this project to have a Mitigated Negative Declaration as according to Article 6 and Section 15070 of the CEQA Guidelines.

No further Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was warranted by the IS as an EIR is required if there are significant environmental effects which cannot be avoided or mitigated (Sections 21100 and 21151). The CEQA Guidelines defines "significant effect on the environment" as: "a substantial, or potentially substantial, adverse change in any of the physical conditions within the area affected by the project including land, air, water, minerals, flora, fauna, ambient noise, and objects of historic or aesthetic significance" (Guidelines Section 15382). An economic or social change by itself shall not be considered a significant effect on the environment. A social or economic change related to a physical change may be considered in determining whether the physical change is significant.

While the IS takes into account potential impacts to environmental factors that are potentially to be affected by the project, it fails to acknowledge the greater impact the project proposes on aesthetics, specifically along the approximate 1.7—mile long proposed construction of single and double-circuit 115-kV power lines, deemed as the Cox-Freedom Segment. The proposed addition of seven new tubular steel poles (TSPs) that will stand at a height of ninety-eight feet, (current wooden poles average thirty-

nine feet) will forever change the scenic quality and integrity and overall regional visual character that the area has developed for over forty-five years. The IS fails to take into account how drastically the proposed installation of the TSPs will alter the cultural landscape in terms of aesthetics. The mitigation provided by the IS need to be reevaluated for other feasible alternatives to mitigation measures as the initial evaluation performed by Panorama Environmental Incorporated is insufficient.

Additionally, the impact on aesthetics are also not addressed on an historic cultural resource scale, as many of the utility-poles original placement and dimensions are consistent for the past forty-five to fifty years and maintain integrity of location, orientation, and association, making themselves an integral aspect of the historic cultural landscape. The utility-poles themselves should be evaluated as potential cultural resources in terms of contributing factors to the cultural and historic landscape under CEQA (14 CCR 15064.5 and PRC 21084.1).

Thank You,

Barry S. Gleaton. December 1, 2013. 1703 Cox Road. Aptos, California 95003

Bang D. Menton

Susanne Heim

From: Becky

Sent: Sunday, December 01, 2013 11:52 AM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: proposed Northern Alignment segment of Santa Cruz 115kvV reinforcement by PG&E

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

We have just today, Dec. 1, 2013, Learned of this proposal and are very concerned.

No one I know in our neighborhood who will be impacted knew about this until just now.

It seems to me that there was not a sincere, and certainly not an effective, attempt to inform all who would be affected.

Secondly, it is my understanding that there is a shorter and more costeffective route to the south. Why is this alternative not being used?

Please realize that there are many people in the area of the posted project who will be very upset about this.

Rebecca Lynn & Blaine Neagley 316 Bollinger Place Watsonville, CA 95076 bekly@att.net



Phone:

SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT DRAFT IS/MND PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT

Name: BRAD PAQUIN
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688 1617 or 408 607 7864

Email: brad. paquin @ specialized. com

Write your comment in the space below. Attach additional sheets or use the back of this sheet if you need more space.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS DONE WITH INFO FROM PGEE - NOT OBJECTIVE!

MEETING MINIMIZED AESTETIC CONCERNS, THESE CONCERNS ARE HUGE AND WILL IMPAUT HOME OWNERS FORGUER.

OUR AREA IS NOT SURVICED BY NATURAL CAS PRESUMABLY BECAUSE OF THE EXPENSE OF INSTAULING INFASTRUCTURE, WNY SHOULD THE PURIL'S ACCEPT THIS HULE UCLY PROJECT IF PRIE CANNOT EVEN SUPPLY BASIC UTILITIES TO OUR AREA.

THIS PROJECT SHOULD BE DONE WIDERGROUND IF IT IS NEEDED.

AS AN OPTION

----- Forwarded message ------

From: **Britt Haselton** < <u>britthaselton@gmail.com</u>>

Date: Mon, Oct 21, 2013 at 7:15 PM Subject: Pictures of new lines and poles

To: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

We own APN 108-051-17 in Corralitos and presently have a single line of poles over our property next to our home.

The Project proposes to replace that single line of poles with a much larger mechanism. I would like to see a photo of the proposed replacement tower with lines attached. I think it is very important that you

bring that to the upcoming meeting Nov. 6 at the Corralitos Grange as well. The new project has been vaguely

described but no one knows what it will look like and think that is important.

I look forward to your response.

Britt Haselton

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11/25/2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111 FAX: (650) 373-1211

Santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I live in Santa Cruz County, California, where the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project is proposed. I am concerned that PG&E's proposed project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my community. I chose to live in a rural environment and believe that the proposed project will contribute to the further urbanization of my neighborhood. This project adversely affects the residents, environment, aesthetics, habitats, and community values of the area. The determination that a mitigated negative declaration was the appropriate CEOA document, based in part on the PEA, allowed this proposed project to sidestep a full Environment Impact Report. I disagree with the Draft IS/MND, which concludes. "that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment."

Therefore, I request that the California Public Utilities Commission order an unprejudiced, scientific, official Environmental Impact Review to include the assessment of all feasible alternatives for this project, including all other routes and undergrounding.

Sincerely,

As a Sank Cour County Resident, I am apalled at the concept of cutting down anymore of our pristence natural areas to make room for polesand wives. In this day and age, we must seek alternatives!
This proposal sounds like projects from the
1930's! We need modern infrastructure for the Leture! Don't wreck this brautiful land! Sincere M

December 2, 2013

Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc
1 Embarcadero Center, #740
San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

We have only today become aware of PG&E plans for a massive upgrade involving 100' towers through our residential area. Even though we will be impacted, PG&E did not advise us of the existence of this plan.

We strongly object to the plan, and that there has not been a full environmental impact report. It appears that the project will involve the loss of a large number of trees, and that it is inconsistent with our Santa Cruz County General Plan, which we take very seriously.

Additionally, there are existing, unsightly lines in part of the proposed area. These are only 40' tall, but are a visual and aesthetic blight as it is. It's impossible to imagine poles larger and more than twice as tall in this corridor. We are also concerned about the obstruction the poles may be to the need to improve our roads in the future. Once these intrusive and unsightly poles are allowed, it unlikely they would ever be removed in our lifetime. It's too massive a plan to be a viable option for improving service to the area. The trade-off just isn't reasonable.

Rather than increasing magnifying the pole problem, we <u>strongly</u> support putting the exiting lines underground, along with the upgraded lines and equipment PG&E seeks to install.

The impact of poles and equipment of this nature needs to be studied, the residents of the affected areas informed, and alternative options and routes considered.

Respectfully,

Bruce and Kathryn Hermansen

240 Light Springs Road

Aptos, CA 95003

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Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is a response to the proposed Cox-Freedom Segment of the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed;

- over all neighborhood aesthetics
- significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees
- disruption to the native habitat and wildlife
- traffic and transportation impact
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Sincerely Yours,

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Dear Ms. Orsaba.

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E. I am resident of one of the several neighborhoods that will be affected. There are any number of residents in these neighborhoods who have lived here for a very long time. I continue to be amazed at meeting neighbors who have also been in the area for decades. This is because it is a lovely place to live, with diversity of micro-climates allowing for various types of agriculture. We have forests of redwood and oaks, warm sunny hillsides and valleys for orchards and vineyards, nurseries and livestock. Within this area there is a diversity of ecosystems allowing for so many species of birds, coyotes, deer, bobcats, cougars and more.

In reading through your *Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration*, I am shocked and dismayed at the lack of serious concern about how our environment will be affected by this proposed project. A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is called for, absolutely. The Draft Initial Study seems to me to take a cavalier attitude: "Based on the analysis in the IS, it has been determined that all project-related environmental impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level with the incorporation of feasible mitigation measures." Really?!

"No evidence that implementing the proposed project would have any adverse affects on people." Nothing I have read in the reports mentions the considerable use of these areas for recreation and exercise, by residents and also by many non-residents who travel from other parts to use these lovely quiet "back roads" for scenic drives to the local wineries, for bicycling, jogging, walking, and hiking. This project will adversely effect everyone!

I believe there are alternatives to the proposed locations of these massive poles and high voltage lines. Has PG&E considered other routes? Shouldn't the residents be informed why our area is being targeted, especially the section of Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald Roads and Freedom Blvd, which do not have already existing 115-kV power lines?

I have other concerns; the permanent negative change in the neighborhood aesthetics, the impact on community values and safety. We need a FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT! PG&E should PROVE its claims that mitigation will reduce impact to insignificance. And, yes, aesthetics do matter.

Sincerely,

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Name: Bruce Adamson

Address: PO Box 1003
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Addendum to Letter

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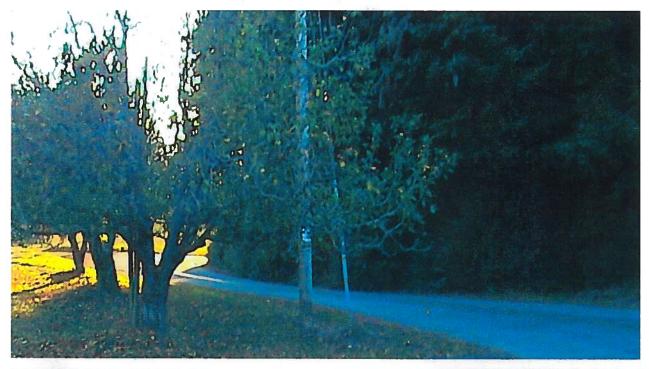
I Bruce Campbell Adamson, make the following declaration under the laws of California and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Since 1980, I have been licensed by the State of California as a real estate salesman agent.

I have lived on Cox Road since March, 2011.

It is very disturbing that PGE who is receiving Federal Funds for the 100 foot Power Poles in the Rob Roy Substation has not performed an EIR report. I am encouraging my Congressman Sam Farr to act fast.

It attending a meeting on November 6, 2013 that Lisa Orsaba the representataive for the State Utilities Commission did not answer any questions. That they allgedly took comments from concerned citizens and in so doing left out most of the comments made. There was no recorder so that they would capture all comments in detail. Instead they left the task to a young lady to write on paper that was three feet high with a marker. For instance I pointed out that for the past year and a half to two years Aptos had dug up the road and this caused an extreme hardship on the community. Also that Safeway is planning on developing a super Safeway market in the next couple of years, which will also disrupt transportation for they too will disrupt traffic.

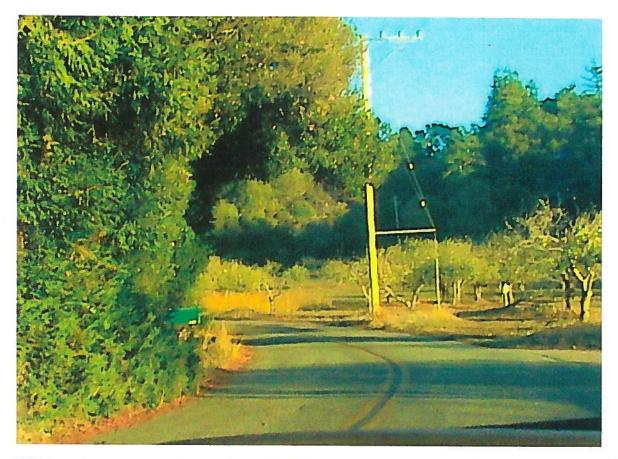
At Cox Road and Day Valley, it is very dangerous. In the past people have been killed at this intersection. I have seen an accident which landed one car in the ditch. If Cox Road is obstructed there may be many severe auto accidents. For the community will be coming and going out the back way on Cox Road which runs into Valencia Drive. For there are a few hair pin turns and you cannot see around the other side. There are large redwood trees that prevent you from seeing on what is on the other side. Many times at a slow speed I have had close calls. I have taken photographs showing them:





The Two above photographs show the downward turn.

The Two below shows the upward grade.

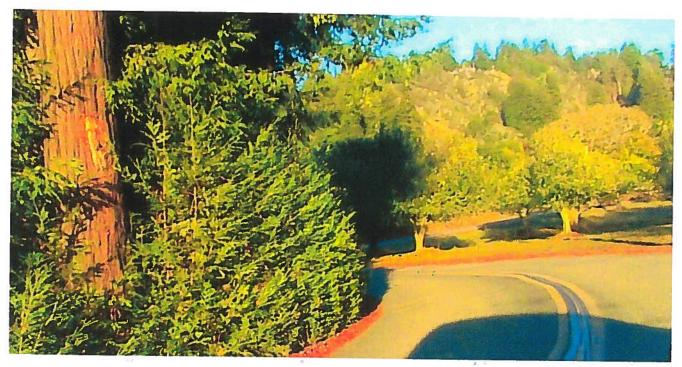


When travelling at speeds off 5 to 10 miles an hour it can be done safely. Yet, when there are many cars and people travelling at a much higher speed to get to work, it will become extremely dangerous. In the past PGE has shown little regard for the safety concerns for the individual safety.

When I brought this point out to Lisa, she anwersed one question and said "I just went through the traffic on Highway One." Yet throughout the meeting she said "I am not going to answer any questions." Her assistant, Tamara said that the "POLES ARE GOING IN," as if the decision has already been made.

PGE was put on notice in San Bruno when they had the giant explosion which resulted in the deaths of eight people. Are the citizens of Aptos to suffer the same sort of tragedy, because they want to use Federal and State funds to destroy the ammenities within the community of Aptos? I sure hope not.

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It is also troubling that more than 100 trees are set to be taken down to make way to the PGE Iron Pole Forrest just on Cox Road to Freedom Blvd. There are ditches already in place and the community could be improved by putting the wires underground. I am sure most of the citizens would not object to this progress. What is disturbing is that people who have invested their entire life into developing up their homes in this community will now be forced to suffer by the buzzing of the High Voltage Electrical Wires. Having been licensed by the Department of Real Estate for the past twenty --two years, it seems only fair that the homeowners living underneath these wires are supplied with a Fair Market Analysis of their property values before and after said project is done. The following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. How would you like it if this was done in your neighborhood.

Let me thank you in advance for your time and sincere consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Fruce Adamson -25, 2013

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Bruce Adamson Books

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november 25, 2013 Carof Blosermin 139 Chaparral apto, Ca 95003 Lisa Oisaba California Public Utility Commission of Panaana Environmental, Inc 1 Embardero Center #900 dan Francisco California 94111 Den Ms Orsabo, I moved noto a unal circulfanto Oruz County, California (cyptoa) over 30 years do, l'chose this ava because of its narrow country road, lack of street light and natural beauty, both trees and weldlife. P. D. + 2 wants to put upa 100 foot pole in this area. The highest utility polas we have are 40 ft tall I am outraged by the disruption this well Course. This is without a full Environmental. Impact Report, Italso goes against Suthto Creg County General Plan, Bether burying the utilibres under yound or other sites have been considered, the site so across the street from a school bus stop and an area of black ice. What about safely in any after the project? Please consider a environmental impact report. Sincerely, raw Beseine

Susanne Heim

From: Carolyn Williams

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 4:45 PM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: PG & E power pole project

Dear Lisa Orsaba, Public Utilities Commission,

I am upset to learn of PG&E's propsed plans for our quiet rural neighborhood. I respectfully urge you to request a full environmental review, an EIR Environmental Impact Report on this project, and more community input.

I've lived in this beautiful, peaceful rural residential area for the past 28 years, raising two children. The negative impact of this proposed project is huge. We love our neighborhood with its numerous sitings of bobcat, deer, coyote, as well as many birds including owls, hawks, song birds, and several migrating species. The loss of wildlife habitat, trees, and natural beauty will be immense.

Please consider the families in our peaceful neighborhood while deciding on this matter.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Carolyn G. Williams 240 Quail Run Aptos, CA 95003 530 McDonald Road Aptos, California 95003

December 3rd, 2013

Lisa Orsaba
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Dear Lisa Orsaba,

I live on McDonald Road and am perplexed by the plans associated with the **Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Plan**. On one hand, I understand the need for progress and the need for continued improvement to the network. On the other, progress needs to be balanced, and in the case of a public utility, the public should be able to be convinced of the overall "worth" of the project because, ultimately, PG&E costs are driven back to consumers. In determining whether or not this project is "worth doing," it seems that a full environmental impact report should be completed and weighed with the other costs of this project. I also think the **impact to the county roads and seasonal creeks should be explored**.

There are a number of issues that I think could be addressed by a full environmental impact report, but I am **especially concerned about the loss of trees and changes to native habitat**. There are many old oaks and other trees of significant age along the route. I fear that it will be the larger trees (ones around 100' tall) that will be cut down and other trees will be destined to be "forever groomed" by PG&E.

These trees are habitat for many birds, butterflies and other animals.

- We have many birds of prey in our neighborhood we see and hear hawks and falcons during the day and hear the owls at night. These birds are important to the local environment and help keep the gophers, mice, rats and squirrel population in check.
- There are many other birds and animals, just as valuable as the birds of prey, which nest in these trees. The animals in and around these trees are beautiful and some are of protected species.
- We see many different species throughout the year. An environmental study would address whether or not there will be an impact to migrating animals.

The areas around the trees also provide habitat for other animals.

- They preserve moisture in the soil and provide habitat for our local frog, lizard, snake, and salamander population.
- Native squirrels, skunks, possums, deer, bobcats, coyotes and foxes take
 advantage of the network of forests in this area to find food and shelter (we see
 all of these animals often crossing the roads here). This project looks like it will
 increase the effective roadway perimeter, thus making the transit from one
 forested area to another more difficult for these animals. (i.e., more probably
 won't make it.)
- As trees are removed, other habitat around the trees is compromised. There are endangered plants and animals in our county. An environmental study should address these plants and animals.

These trees help stabilize our sandy soil, especially around the areas of the seasonal creeks in our neighborhood.

- For example, there is a seasonal creek that runs the length of McDonald Road. The creek tends to shift around a bit after heavy rains. As it is, we tend to lose smaller (under 10" in diameter) trees that are adjacent to the creeks (and roads) during the rainy season. The bigger trees seem to anchor the creek to its approximate path. If these trees are gone, will the creek create more on-going maintenance problems with respect to the road and property in the area?
- Walking along Cox, Day Valley and McDonald Roads, one can easily see many areas where creeks/drainage ditches are under-cutting the roads this is especially clear in areas where there and no big trees on the creek/ditch side of the road. An environmental study should address this. I think Santa Cruz County should also be interested in this as any indirect maintenance costs on the seasonal creeks and roads will likely be paid for by us.

In addition to my concerns about the trees, there is the **concern of public safety**. Cox, McDonald and Day Valley Roads are very narrow in places. As mentioned in the last section, the seasonal creeks run along the roadside in most places and are already undercutting the roads in some places - so there is no place for a walker or bike to go but along the narrow road. There is also a lot of traffic; many people bike and walk along the road. As a regular pedestrian and biker, I often find it threatening to walk along the road in places as there is nowhere to go when cars are coming at you in both directions. These large poles seem like they will add to the congestion and reduce visibility; it also seems like the situation will be especially bad during construction.

Do we really need this? I have to wonder. It seems like the SC County has done a lot to inhibit growth in this County. We do have occasional outages during the winter, but it seems unlikely that this project will greatly benefit that situation. I have scanned the reports looking for a solid rationale for this, and I don't see it - although I have to admit to not reading the whole 100 plus pages (none of which detail the exact trees to be cut).

Although PG&E is a public company, it is also a protected/managed monopoly. The CPUC is supposed to be our advocate, and I am asking for more oversight and review in this case. It seems that projects like this one do not necessarily get the same level of economic/environmental scrutiny that private companies and individuals would receive. I wonder if this project would stand on its own economically without eminent domain. I wonder if Verizon or Charter or any homeowner could get away with a project of this scope with so little review.

Sincerely,

Cathy Mayer 831-612-1039

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Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors

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Susanne Heim

From: Charles Mackh

Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2013 4:18 PM

To: Lisa Orsaba

Subject: Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Project

Dear Lisa,

I just found out about this PG&E project yesterday 12/2/13 and I have lived in Pleasant Valley 39 years. The pole improvement/installation appears to go right through the middle of Pleasant Valley using 80 to 100 foot poles as it does in other areas of Aptos. In addition the project involves the use of helicopters for installation. How is it that PG&E can start a project of this magnitude without communicating directly with area property owners? Further, it would seem appropriate that an EIR be prepared submitted and approved before PG&E progressed this far.

The CPUC Draft dated 11/6/13 looks comprehensive and well thought out from PG&E's perspective but appears to lack neutral review or feedback from those in the community affected. I cant construct anything without an environmental review and community approval. How is it that PG&E can? This project may have good benefits for all of us and if properly presented and explained would meet with less apprehension. Otherwise, it looks like another PG&E avoidance of its corporate responsibility as a public utility.

Sincerely, Charles Mackh 144 Villa Manzanal Aptos, CA 95003

Susanne Heim

From: Christina Lucchesi

Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 10:32 AM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: NO POLES PLEASE!

Hello, please see these concerns:

Impact on neighborhood, and community aethetics
Impact on community values, rural neighborhoods, forested, abundant wildlife, tree lined
Safety during and after completion of project
Loss of trees, wildlife habitat natural beauty

Project crosses farmland (organic)

Alternative routes not explored Engineering for project not begun, how can approval be givien? Roadways too narrow

As built would inhibit the ability to widen or change existing roads

PG&E poles will change from 40' to 80'-100'

Inconsistent with Santa Cruz County General Plan

Corralitos Road is a scenic corridor

WE NEED A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT!!!

Signed,

Christina M. Lucchesi

Christopher Hall 1539 Day Valley Road Aptos, CA 95003 (831) 662-2719 November 3, 2013

Lisa Orsaba

California Public Utilities Commission
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1 Embarcadero Center, #740

San Francisco, CA 94111

Re: Santa Cruz 115kv project

To: Lisa Orsaba and members of the California Public Utilities Commission

We moved to the above-right address in 2000, and enjoy views up and down Day Valley. Presently, our deed grants an easement to the high-voltage lines that run at the edge of our property, and we accept this. However, I do not wish to see my view spoiled by either taller powerlines or additional powerlines. The Northern Alignment component will replace existing wood transmission poles with an average height of 60 feet tall with new tubular steel poles with an average height of 90 feet tall. This will mean, essentially, that the new powerlines will pass in front of my property line at mid-sky-height, spoiling the daytime view up and down the valley. Additionally, I am an amateur astronomer, and one of the reasons I purchased my home at this site is we have good nighttime dark-sky telescope viewing. The new powerlines will cross right in the middle of my telescope view, spoiling the nighttime telescope viewing.

As a property owner, I wish to officially protest this, and state that as the landowner, I do not grant an easement for the new height powerlines. My property value will likely decrease as a result of this. Are you planning on compensating property owners for the decrease in their property value? Will our tax rates be reassessed at a lower property value because of the depreciation of the property value?

I am uncertain regarding the Cox-Freedom segment as to whether this will spoil my view as well, but the wood poles averaging 39 feet tall will be replaced by new wood transmission poles averaging 89 feet tall, and there will be four new tubular steel poles averaging 98 feet tall. It seems possible this will also impinge on my view.

Thank you for listening to my concerns.

Christophe M. Hall

Yours truly,

Christopher M. Hall

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, Suite 740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Subject: Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project -- Comments on IS/MND

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

I live in the neighborhood affected by the Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project, in particular the Cox Road-Freedom segment. I walk past this segment weekly during my walks around the neighborhood which I have enjoyed for 15 years.

I have reviewed the project description and portions of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND), and find that critical information is missing from this document, information that may result in findings of Significant Impacts.

With regard to the Aesthetics section, the simulation photos do not accurately depict the planned large diameter base with metal towers (TSP towers) that are described in the project description for the Cox Road-Freedom segment. This area is low density residential with many forested areas, the aesthetics of which would be greatly affected by large new metal towers, as opposed to the single wooden poles depicted. For example, Figures 3.1-12 and 3.1-13 show existing conditions and simulated views after installation of new poles. However, Figure 3.1-13 shows only wooden poles, whereas the text and tables show there will be at least two TSP towers along Cox Road. This is factually inaccurate – it shows wooden power poles on Cox Road at the intersection with Day Valley Road, whereas the project description table states that these will be metal TSP with permanent clearance areas of approximately 30 ft by 15 ft. The visual impacts were therefore not adequately evaluated.

Both the Aesthetics and Biology sections mention the removal of at least 165 trees, greater than half of which will occur along the Cox Road-Freedom section. However, neither section fully details which trees and how many will be permanently removed (for long term maintenance) versus temporary trimming or topping for construction. Was a tree survey conducted, and if so, where is the document with the results? Permanent removal of approximately 100 trees, without determining which are mature size oaks, along this one short (approximately 1 mile) segment,

may pose significant impacts to both visual and biological values. Although the Biology section states that trees will be replaced at a ratio of 1:1 to 1:10 depending upon the tree diameter and species, it is not clear if the replacement trees could or would be planted in the area near the new power line, and thus provide visual screening and biological values. The IS/MND does state that the TSP pole require an area approximately 30 feet by 15 feet that must be permanently kept clear for maintenance. This makes it likely that the visual impact of these new TSP towers in this rural area will be significant; this was not revealed in the impact sections of the IS/MND.

I could find no discussion of Alternatives to the project in the IS/MND. Is there a possibility that significant impacts to visual and biological resources could be avoided by placing portions of the power line underground? Is there another previous document that explored alternatives?

As a resident of the general neighborhood of the Cox Road-Freedom segment of the new Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project, I respectfully request that the Visual and Biological Impacts be reevaluated for the Cox-Freedom segment in particular, with accurate information, and that the results be published in a revised environmental document. Furthermore, I request that the entire neighborhood of residents be notified of the revised document and given an adequate amount of time to comment on it. Public hearings, properly noticed for the entire area surrounding this segment, are also requested.

Thank you for consideration of these comments. Please feel free to contact me if there are any questions regarding my comments. And please notify me if additional public comment/information meetings will be scheduled on this project.

Sincerely,

Dana Bland

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Aptos, CA 95003

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SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT DRAFT IS/MND PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT

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Write your comment in the space below. Attach additional sheets or use the back of this sheet if you need more space.

this is unnecessary. This is not a priority for our community. Local neighbors are opposed. The process has been mistending at best 1f the CPUC + PGFE are interested in an upgrade, consider community downed

Response Letter/Public Comment From: Dave and Carrie Osland, Aptos

Attn: Lisa Orsaba

Re: Santa Cruz 115KV Reinforcement Project

Date:10-24-13

We are very concerned about the proposed 115KV project through our neighborhood.

If approved, this project will adversely impact the neighborhood: visually, aesthetically, and environmentally, as well as contribute to the devaluation of property values.

No one wants to live under/near high voltage transmission lines. Traditionally, these lines have been run thru remote, sparely populated ares. Running these lines directly thru residential neighborhoods can only be a detriment to the residents, both living here now and in the future.

There are numerous concerns of the impact of electrical radiation on populations living in the directly exposed areas of these high voltage lines. These transmission lines will be placed directly overhead or adjacent to multiple residences.

All residences in the vicinity of this project will be detrimentally affected, value wise. Does PGE proposed to compensate the owners for the devaluation of their property values and investments? (I'm sure they would shudder at this idea)

Will the Commission support a re-evaluation of the property taxes on the adversely affected residences and parcels by the local tax assessor???

PGE proposes to place a 4' diameter x 100' steel electrical "pole" approx. 35' onto our property, not in a right of way. "You probably won't even be able to see it", the project manager told me. Right- and I have a bridge I'd like to sell you.

This property has been a 15 yr. investment of time, labor and financial resources for our family. It represents the means of our retirement upon it's future sale. Having been privately employed all my life, we have no retirement pension. The sale of our residence will hopefully carry us thru the expensive years of our retirement.

If allowed to proceed with the proposed route, the sales value upon this residence (as well as all our neighbors), will be significantly reduced.

One can only presume this indirect route between substations is the result of the cheapest way PGE can run it. It certainly is not the shortest route, line wise.

We most strongly urge the PUC to reject this proposed route of this project!

Thank You, Dave and Carrie Osland, McDonald Rd, Beautiful Aptos

From: Dave Osland [mailto:<u>burlybilt@gmail.com</u>]
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 2013 2:13 PM
To: <u>santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com</u>

Subject: Santa Cruz115kv project

to:CPUC Review Board Re: public response

Dear Sirs/Madams-

After reviewing the IS report, I find it reprehensible that the lasting impacts upon residents living in vicinity, have not been addressed.

The "Mitigated Negative Declaration" addresses-

Let's see-

Bats, Birds and Rats
Bald Eagles (never seen one here in the 15 yrs I've lived here)
Oak and Monterey Pine trees
Weeds
Salamanders
Ground disturbance
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How about the lasting impact upon the most important species living here- Human Beings!!!!

The environment we so cherish here will be forever changed with the looming power poles being strung threw the neighborhood.

Every time we take ours eyes off the ground, these high voltages lines will be dominating the vista.

The biggest investment most of us will ever have, our homes, will be devalued. If someone was to hack your bank account and deplete your life savings, by say, 30%, you'd be screaming like banshees for justice.

Yet, not a peep concerning this oh so important impact upon our residences.

Are high-rise, high voltage power lines towering over your dream home a priority in buying in a neighborhood? Of course not. No one wants to live in the immediate vicinity of those things. NO ONE!!!

The I.S. needs to be rejected for not addressing the vital questions on the quality of life this project will have on the area, during and AFTER construction.

How can theses findings be considered valid for stating that "The proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment!!!!

Honestly, would any member of the CUPC board feel comfortable with this I.S. or this project if it was concerning your home and neighborhood!!! I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO THINK ABOUT THAT FOR A MOMENT!

Ms. Orsaba's position as project manager may need some serious re-evaluation for reports with such blatant omissions concerning the "environmental impacts" of such a proposed project. I find it almost unbelievable she would conclude her report by stating, quote," There is no evidence that implementing this project would have ANY adverse impacts on people". Outrageous!!!

If PGE was proposing to put the utilities underground, as they proposed years ago, the neighborhood would be 100% for it, INSTEAD of 100% against it!

Of the dozens of concerned citizens that showed up Nov.6 at the public hearing, NO ONE VOICED SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT!!!!!

This project, at the very least, needs to have a full blown environmental impact report done.

Sincerely, Dave and Carrie Osland, Beautiful Aptos

From: David W. Black, DDS 2111 Cox Road Aptos, CA, 95003

To: Ms. Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc.
1 Embarcadero Center, Suite #740
San Francisco, CA 94111

November 25, 2014

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

This is a response to Pg&E's proposed plan to route a 115 KV line (Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project) down Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald Roads. This shortcut to Freedom Boulevard requires the installation of huge, unsightly poles and wires in a scenic, heavily forested neighborhood.

This project will have a permanent negative impact on the Day Valley area. Our community values will be significantly impacted by this project. Some of the issues that were not addressed to my satisfaction in the CEQA document are as follows:

1. Why our community is being asked to bear the burdon of the project when the area to be benefitted is the "greater Santa Cruz" area. This seems like an unreasonable request.

- 2. The extent of the negative impact on our community is an unknown at this time, since PG&E will not specify the number of trees to be removed prior to starting construction.
- 3. The Santa Cruz County General Plan dictates that new power lines must be placed underground. This is an above ground project.
- 4. The Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald "shortcut" will pass directly through habitat with many nesting bird sites, steep hillsides, and narrow country roads.
- 5. The historic aspect of our community has not been adequately researched. This needs to be investigated, at length, by an expert who is not connected to any of the agencies involved in this project.
- 6. The opinion given in the CEQA document that the project would not have a significant impact on the aesthetics and environment of the area is NOT shared by those of us in this community.

I demand that a full and complete Environmental Impact Report be prepared for this project. Then, and only then, would this community be able to see the impact this project will have on our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

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Susanne Heim

From: Discruz

Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2013 10:06 AM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: santacruz115kvproject

First, let me state outright that I am opposed to the implementation of this project. This project will impact me directly because the lines proposed are in direct proximity to my property. This project will reduce the value of my property by several hundred thousand dollars and such amount will be demanded upon implementation of the project. In addition, I am wondering why PG&E did not consider moving the existing lines to a more appropriate location such as the freeway corridor that is already public land. I don't believe the project is necessary or appropriate in its scope even considering the mitigating factors suggested in the reports. All in all this is a faulty plan and needs to be scrapped until a comprehensive environmental impact report is completed which addresses all concerns and contingencies.

Thank you,

David L Schwartz 201 Lael Ln Corralitos, CA. 95076

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FAX: (650) 373-1211
santacruz 115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am concerned this project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my rural community. This project adversely affects all Day Valley area residents, a beautiful rural environment, neighborhood aesthetics, wildlife habitats, and our community values. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant permanent negative effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed:

- · overall neighborhood aesthetics
- · significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees
- · disruption to the native habitat and wildlife
- traffic and transportation impact
- noise, air and water pollution
- · geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bicyclists and automobiles on this rural residential roadway
- hazards to residents while the project is being executed and permanent hazards to the neighborhood upon completion
- disruption of recreation in the neighborhood
- permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

I demand an unprejudiced, scientific, full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all feasible alternatives including all other routes and undergrounding of utilities. I request my concerns be entered into the permanent record.

Sincerely,

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Susanne Heim

From: Deanna Morden

Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 9:17 PM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: Important environmental concerns

Attn Ms. Orsaba,

As Santa Cruz County natives, my husband and I moved from Soquel to the Aptos/Corralitos area over 35 years ago to raise our children in our rural neighborhood. We are naturally concerned about environmental as well as aesthetic effects of this project. We have been here long enough to see even how much smaller projects than this have affected the wild animal habitat, personal safety, and aesthetics.

It would be extremely irresponsible of the commision to proceed on a project such as this without a complete environmental impact report. And so we are requesting this be done.

Respectfully,

Robert and Deanna Morden 1770 Pleasant Valley Road Aptos, CA 95003

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December 2, 2013

Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc.
11 Embarcadero Center #740
San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

I am writing to protest the use of 100 foot power pole, and large industrious changes by PG&E on the project for Day Valley and Freedom Blvd areas in Aptos CA. I believe you have not done the due diligence specific to this area. Have you conducted a full environmental report? It is a rural neighborhood and that is why we like living in this area. I would be concerned with the loss of trees, wildlife, use of herbicides, and general aesthetic changes to this area. Not sure why the need for an impact and overwhelmingly huge project needs to be completed in this neighborhood.

Respectly,

Dianne Bermingham

365 Quail Run

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Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111 FAX: (650) 373-1211 Santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I live in Santa Cruz County, California, where the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project is proposed. I am concerned that PG&E's proposed project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my community. I chose to live in a rural environment and believe that the proposed project will contribute to the further urbanization of my neighborhood. This project adversely affects the residents, environment, aesthetics, habitats, and community values of the area. The determination that a mitigated negative declaration was the appropriate CEQA document, based in part on the PEA, allowed this proposed project to sidestep a full Environment Impact Report. I disagree with the Draft IS/MND, which concludes, "that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment."

Therefore, I request that the California Public Utilities Commission order an unprejudiced, scientific, official Environmental Impact Review to include the assessment of all feasible alternatives for this project, including all other routes and undergrounding.

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California Public Utilities Commission
C/O panorama environmental inc.

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I demand a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routs and/ or under grounding of these new power lines

Thank you,

Don Dillingham

331 Mcdonald Road

Aptos, CA 9500

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California Public Utilities Commission
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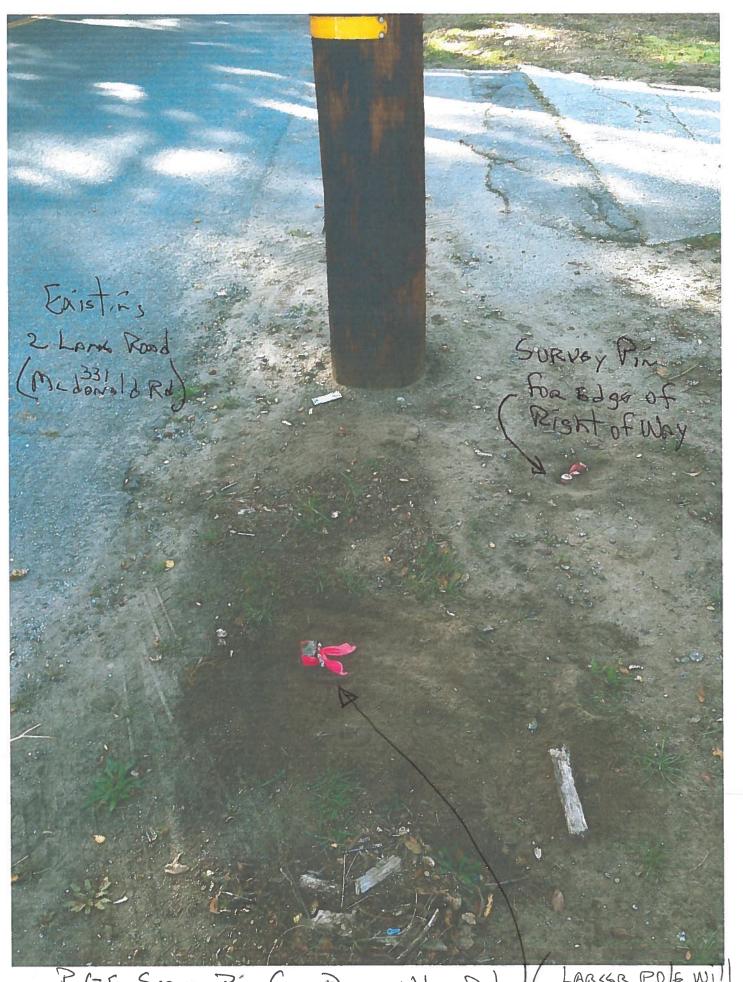
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SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT DRAFT IS/MND PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT

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DOUGLAS RONAN

November 28, 2013

Ms. Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Panorama Environmental Inc
1 Embarcadero Center #740
San Francisco, California 94111

Subject: Santa Cruz County 115kV Reinforcement project

Dear Ms. Orsaba

I live in Santa Cruz County, California, where the 115kV Reinforcement project is proposed. I moved into my home on Ranchitos del Sol approximated five years ago attracted by the rural beauty of the Aptos Hills area and the respect that the neighbors had for wildlife and the natural features of the community.

I believe the proposed PG&E project will have adverse affects for the aesthetics, environment habitat, residents and community values of the area. I believe that PG&E has failed to provide sufficient justification for the 115kV project. I disagree with the draft IS/MND, which concludes "that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment". The PG&E communication has been inadequate in informing residents on appropriate project details or engaging us in an open dialogue on potential options.

Therefore, I request that the California Public Utilities order an unprejudiced, scientific, official Environmental Impact Review to include all feasible alternatives for this project, including all other routes and under grounding.

Sincerely yours,

Douglas Ronan

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Lisa Orsaba

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santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E. I am resident of one of the several neighborhoods that will be affected. There are any number of residents in these neighborhoods who have lived here for a very long time. I continue to be amazed at meeting neighbors who have also been in the area for decades. This is because it is a lovely place to live, with diversity of micro-climates allowing for various types of agriculture. We have forests of redwood and oaks, warm sunny hillsides and valleys for orchards and vineyards, nurseries and livestock. Within this area there is a diversity of ecosystems allowing for so many species of birds, coyotes, deer, bobcats, cougars and more.

In reading through your Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration, I am shocked and dismayed at the lack of serious concern about how our environment will be affected by this proposed project. A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is called for, absolutely. The Draft Initial Study seems to me to take a cavalier attitude: "Based on the analysis in the IS, it has been determined that all project-related environmental impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level with the incorporation of feasible mitigation measures." Really?!

"No evidence that implementing the proposed project would have any adverse affects on people." Nothing I have read in the reports mentions the considerable use of these areas for recreation and exercise, by residents and also by many non-residents who travel from other parts to use these lovely quiet "back roads" for scenic drives to the local wineries, for bicycling, jogging, walking, and hiking. This project will adversely effect everyone!

I believe there are alternatives to the proposed locations of these massive poles and high voltage lines. Has PG&E considered other routes? Shouldn't the residents be informed why our area is being targeted, especially the section of Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald Roads and Freedom Blvd, which do not have already existing 115-kV power lines?

I have other concerns; the permanent negative change in the neighborhood aesthetics, the impact on community values and safety. We need a FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT! PG&E should PROVE its claims that mitigation will reduce impact to insignificance. And, yes, aesthetics do matter.

Sincerely,

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Susanne Heim

From: Ed Murphy

Sent:Wednesday, December 04, 2013 3:48 PMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:Full EIR needed for Santa Cruz 115kV project

Hello Ms. Orsaba,

I live on Cox Road in Aptos, and have recently become aware of the Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project planned by PG&E. I strongly disagree with the draft IS/MND which falsely concludes that, "the project would not have a significant effect on the environment." I understand PG&E's objectives with this project, but please please, we need a full and official Environment Impact Report to assess alternatives including alternate routes and placing wires underground.

The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is incomplete and inaccurate. This project will absolutely have a permanent and profoundly negative impact on neighborhood aesthetics and community values. How could introducing such a large scale, industrial project through the very heart of this rural, scenic, and ecologically diverse community not have a negative impact?

The neighborhoods on and around Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald roads present a bucolic setting that is enjoyed not only by the many residents, but by literally thousands of annual visitors who come to walk, bike, and drive through this beautiful area. Please, let's have a full Environmental Impact Report. I see no harm in asking PG&E to specifically quantify its claim that mitigation will reduce impact o insignificance

Thank you for your consideration, Ed Murphy 1411 Cox Road Aptos, CA 95003

Elizabeth Romanini 2185 Cox Rd Aptos, CA 95003 831-688-8829

December 3, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Emabarcadero Center, Suite #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

I took the time to carefully study the proposed PG&E 115 KV reinforcement project for Santa Cruz County and am quite perplexed by the lack of due-diligence on PG&E's documentation for the plan.

- 1. The plan affects customers of two water districts; PG&E has only contacted Soquel Water District where approximately 10 homes are involved, but has neglected to contact Central Water District (CDW) where hundreds of homes exit and could be negatively impacted by this project. The CWD has stated in an open letter to PG&E that their "World War II" era pipes cannot withstand the drilling involved in this project. What will be done to protect our water supply or protect us from contaminates entering the system? I see no part of the document that address this issue or even acknowledges that they are aware it!
- 2. The plan states that there will be as many as 169 trees removed from our very rural and bucolic neighborhood, though PG&E refuses to disclose which trees will be removed. This site houses many nesting songbirds and specifically two nest that I know of for Red-Shoulder Hawks. There is no part the plan that discusses mitigation for this destruction of habitat nor did PG&E bother to do a 'Tree Survey' to understand the full impact to that delicate environment.
- 3. The plan states throughout that there will be a 'less than significant impact' on the scenic vistas. I do not believe this to be an accurate statement considering that as part of the plan PG&E states that they will enforce and maintain a 30 foot clear-cut perimeter around the new poles leaving them fully exposed and forever changing the views of the neighborhood.
- 4. The plan states there will be a 'less than significant impact' on the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings. As an avid walker in the neighborhood, putting in as many as forty-two miles a week I can confidently say that the statement is seriously inaccurate. The community is an attractive destination for recreation for many people in Santa Cruz County, not to mention the residents living here who use it for walking their pets, bicycling, running, or walking for exercising like myself. The community also hosts a section of the Sandman Triathlon along with many who train for the AIDS and Cancer bike rides. To suggest that removing so many trees and adding 100ft poles replacing the existing 45ft poles has no impact seem disingenuous on the assessment by PG&E and lacking any concern for the 'community values' that exits here.

I respectfully demand that the current PG&E Santa Cruz 115 KV reinforcement plan be rejected by the CPUC, and that a complete Environmental Impact Report be prepared, allowing full discussion of the rationale for the project, the profound destruction of 'community values' in the Day Valley area, the extent and location of planned tree removal, the alternatives, and the potential necessity for undergrounding of the project.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Romanini

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Susanne Heim

From: Elizabeth Wong

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 3:40 PM **To:** 'santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com'

Subject: proposed Cox-Freedom project

Attachments: 20131205153742.pdf

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I have attached a copy of the letter demanding a full and complete Environmental Impact Report for this project. I would also like to address another issue.

There have apparently been no significant improvements/changes to the current infrastructure in the last 40 years. I believe that spending the extra funds to move part of this project underground (namely the areas along the Day Valley/Cox/McDonald corridor) would be a wise investment. Those extra funds amortized over the next 40 year period are inconsequential when you compare it to the permanent devastation to our neighborhood's well being which has no price tag. It was stated in an article that it was less disruptive to the neighborhood to install power poles than it is to move the wiring underground. I can assure you that the people in this neighborhood disagree. They would rather endure/tolerate the jack hammering of the roads and temporary lane closures to install underground wiring than to have to live with massive 100 foot poles for the rest of their days living here.

I urge the California Public Utilities Commission to thoroughly review this project, conduct the necessary studies/reports and make the right decisions for our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

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Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is a response to the proposed Cox-Freedom Segment of the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed;

- over all neighborhood aesthetics
- significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees
- disruption to the native habitat and wildlife
- traffic and transportation impact
- noise, air and water pollution
- geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bikers and automobiles on this rural residential road way
- hazards to residents while the project is being executed and permanent hazards to the neighborhood upon completion
- disruption of recreation in the neighborhood
- permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

I demand a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routes and undergrounding of utilities.

Sincerely Yours,

Ethel "Sally" M. Griffin 1776 Cox Road Aptos, CA 95003

November 21, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Madam:

Our family has lived on Cox Road in Aptos, California, where the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project is proposed, for thirty one years. I am greatly opposed to this project's location in our beautiful rural area for the following reasons:

IMPROPER NOTIFICATION: Our property is located the next parcel north of Leslie Lane, the demarcation where the project stops. We were not notified by Panorama Environmental, the PUC, or by PG&E of this project, yet our property and the quality of our lives will be greatly impacted by the construction process and the lasting degradation of our area. In addition to being able to see the mammoth poles from our home, we daily pass through the area encompassing the project as our major route of egress.

DEGRADATION OF HISTORICAL BEAUTY: Cox Road in Aptos was featured in the Sunset Magazine publication of "Back Roads of California" (See attached). We are the chosen route of numerous bicycle and vintage car tours. The home next north of us is over 120 years old, known as the Larsen House (currently occupied by the Moya family.) It is a winding road through lovely hills and trees, frequented by many deer, birds, raccoons, coyotes and bunnies. People live and stay here to raise their families in this bucolic setting. The addition of these poles and wires will create a path of ugly blight in total opposition to the ethos of our neighborhood.

EARTHQUAKE HAZARDS: The proposed route of the 115-kV project is within three miles of the epicenter of the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake. Many of us lived through the devastation wrought in our area from this disaster which included the added hazard of toppled poles and the resulting dangling live wires. The prospect of having even higher poles in our sandy soil holding wires of much greater voltage is very frightening. This is a neighborhood where children live. We cannot add this additional risk to our community's safety.

DEVALUATION OF PROPERTY: Most residents have probably made their greatest financial investment to live in this bucolic yet expensive setting. Depending on proximity to these poles and high voltage wires, one appraiser has estimated that property could be devalued by as much as 10% which would result in the loss of tens of thousands of dollars to individual homeowners. This is a high price to pay for the totally unforeseen decision of others.

For all the above reasons, we request that the routing of this project be reconsidered. We would recommend the following:

- 1) The project be routed through the more industrialized areas which do exist along the corridor OR
- 2) The wires be buried underground

Please do not degrade our home and our community.

Sincerely, Sally Griffin

Ethel M. ("Sally") Griffin



Coming down from Mt. Madonna and the Santa Cruz mountains, enjoyable roads to explore are: Summit, Highland, Brown's Valley, Hazel Dell, Green Valley, Day Valley, Cox, Valencia School, and Trout Gulch Roads.

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Burset: Back Roads of California

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Dear Lisa Orsaba.

This is a response to the proposed Cox-Freedom Segment of the Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed:

- overail neighborhood aesthetics
- a significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment.
- large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees.
- disruption to the native habitat and wildlife
- traffic and transportation impact
- noise, air and water pollution
- geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bikers and automobiles on this rural residential road way
- hazards to residents while the project is being executed and permanent hazards to the neighborhood upon completion
- disruption of recreation in the neighborhood
- permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

This area is unique in its environment and aesthetics. The segments indicated in Maps 7-11 are areas that currently have no streets lights, no curbs, no sidewalks, and no shoulder areas. It is definitely rural and loved for that. By placing these huge poles and lines, taking much more right-of-way areas, and removing so many of the trees, the area will be significantly impacted and the environment destroyed. Currently enjoyed by both residents and non-residents for its peaceful natural environment, this will ruin the entire feel and look of the area.

I demand a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routes and undergrounding of utilities.

Sincerely Yours,

Sharp

Dr. Evelyn Sharp

860 Day Valley Rd.

Aptos, CA 95003

Susanne Heim

From: Gary Minardi

Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2013 10:06 AM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: Commentary Relating To Project Concerns - Santa Cruz 115-kv Reinforcement Project

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

My name is Gary Minardi. I am a resident of Aptos, California currently residing with my wife Bonnie in the Day Valley Corridor. Our residence address is 2215 Cox Road Aptos, CA 95003. My wife and I have resided in Aptos for thirty - six years. Seven of the past thirty-six years have been residency at 2215 Cox Road.

Cox Road is one of the areas in the Day Valley Corridor that will be directly impacted by the Santa Cruz 115kv Project.

The California Public Utilities Commission is a responsible steward of the human, financial, information and natural resources entrusted to the Commission. The Santa Cruz 115kv Project is a critical endeavor involving natural resources that could suffer long term negative affects to the habitat and the aesthetic value of the area.

There are many "flaws" in the project that must be more closely examined and addressed.

Noise attenuation within fifty feet of residences from 7:00 to 5:00 during construction, is described as intermittent but not defined. What will be the (intermittent) impact to humans and animals? Pacific Gas and Electric will be deploying helicopters, back hoes, noisy, earth trembling construction equipment. Humans and animals will have their quality of lives disrupted with no time tables, no work plans, no mitigation planning.

Transportation: Described as "potentially significant." What about safety, property access to residents, congestion, detours, flag persons, access to emergency vehicles? Although "a traffic management plan will be

developed," this is an area with extremely rural, narrow roads. Residents and recreational populace are genuinely concerned about McDonald, Cox and Day Valley Roads. These roads are main arterial feeders, essential to residents, recreational biker - walkers and emergency vehicles. Is this traffic management plan going to be developed on the fly by the consultant?

Tree removal: How many, what locations, and what will they be replaced with? We note pictures before and after on Cox - Day Valley Roads intersection *don't illustrate tree removal.* What mitigation will there be to soil erosion?

"Incremental change but less than significant." What exactly is the definition of incremental change? An incremental change can be significant environmentally and aesthetically. This is a disingenuous phrase. Pacific Gas and Electric will be replacing sixty foot wood to ninety foot tubular poles. Thirty - nine foot wood distribution poles with eighty- nine foot wood transmission poles. What is the public benefit? From careful observation of the visually simulated pictures, it looks like Pacific Gas and Electric is doubling the distribution lines. Will the Public Benefit be lower energy rates, less power outages? Would Commission representatives and the Consultants have no problems living next to and in eye view of four story distribution poles?

Most people, not just Californians, uphold the "not in my neighborhood" value. Can you blame them?

Speaking as a native Californian that grew up in an undisturbed, pristine, unpretentious and beautiful Santa Clara Valley, I have personally experienced the clear cutting of orchards, the massive destruction of farm lands, mass habitation of foothills, and the closing of canneries. The canneries was a critical "other" back bone of the economy in Santa Clara Valley. What kind of stewardship and entrust was this?

We have a deep respect for the folks at California Public Utilities Commission. The Commission has very bright, diligent people, who within the confines of government bureaucracy try to do the right things. The right thing to do for the Commission in conjunction with the Santa Cruz 115kv Project is to "steward." Conduct environmental impact studies to ensure all those that live and play in this rural naturally beautiful area don't end up with a life time of blight and habitat disruption like Santa Clara Valley and other formally naturally beautiful areas of the State.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

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Dear Lisa Orsaba.

This is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am concerned this project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my rural community. This project adversely affects residents, environment, neighborhood aesthetics, wildlife habitats, and our community values. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant permanent negative effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed;

- over all neighborhood aesthetics (Disrupts a Natural beauty)
- significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees (creation of blight)
 disruption to the native habitat and wildlife (There is an abundance of deer, birds)
 traffic and transportation impact

- noise, air and water pollution
- geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bicyclists and automobiles on this rural residential road way (These roads are already dangerously Narran)
- hazards to residents while the project is being executed and permanent hazards to the neighborhood upon completion
- disruption of recreation in the neighborhood

permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

respectfully request AM I demand an unprejudiced, scientific, full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all feasible alternatives including all other routes and undergrounding of utilities. I request my concerns be entered into the permanent record.

Sincerely

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111

Subject: PG&E Application No. A. 12-02-012 (Santa Cruz 115-KV Reinforcement Project)

This project screams out for a full EIR for multiple reasons. The scope of work specified in the application is far beyond the scope of work intended for the Mitigated Negative Declaration process.

There are a number of significant environmental issues that are virtually ignored in the current application. But, the most significant factor is the technical design of the project will not accomplish PG&E's stated goals for the project to reduce outages and increase reliability of the power grid. Virtually all of the outages experienced in the service area are a result of weather related damage to the distribution infrastructure not the transmission infrastructure. Thus this project will not reduce outages nor improve reliability.

Additionally, replacing the existing single circuit transmission line with a dual circuit along the same Northern Alignment transmission corridor using a single infrastructure to carry both circuits does not meet PG&E's goal of improving reliability. Like the existing transmission infrastructure a single point of failure of one of the proposed infrastructure components such as the failure of one of the poles would cause failure of both transmission circuits. Thus there is no improvement in the reliability of the transmission lines. In fact a failure of the infrastructure of the proposed project would cause much greater safety risk and damage, and require much longer for the repair of any failure. The proposed project thus creates greater risk to the surrounding communities with no improvement in service reliability.

A full EIR would provide the opportunity to address multiple alternative designs, routes and the associated environmental and community safety issues related to each alternative. A full EIR for the proposed project would better assure that PG&E's purpose and goals for the project may be achieved.

Sincerely,

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Susanne Heim

From: George Lucchesi

Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 10:23 AM

To: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: Santa Cruz 115kv Project Comments

Concerns:

Impact on neighborhood, and community aethetics
Impact on community values, rural neighborhoods, forested, abundant wildlife, tree lined
Safety during and after completion of project
Loss of trees, wildlife habitat natural beauty

Project crosses farmland (organic)

Alternative routes not explored Engineering for project not begun, how can approval be givien? Roadways too narrow

As built would inhibit the ability to widen or change existing roads

PG&E poles will change from 40' to 80'-100'

Inconsistent with Santa Cruz County General Plan

Corralitos Road is a scenic corridor

WE NEED A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT!!!

Signed,

George J Lucchesi 1805 Leslie Lane Aptos CA 95003 Gregory Ross Audino Nina Genkin Audino 360 Bollinger Place Watsonville, CA 95076 November 5, 2013

Dear Ms. Orsaba
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San Francisco, CA 94111
RE: Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

Please find below a copy of the letter sent to each of the CPUC's five commissioners. We are also directing this letter to you, as you requested.

Sincerely,

Gregory Ross Audino Nina Genkin Audino

Text of Letter:

We are appalled at PG&E's incomplete, inaccurate, and misleading approaches and methods in "planning" the <u>Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project</u>.

We urge you to require a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routes and undergrounding of utilities.

We also urge you to require that PG&E, in order to rectify the mockery of a meeting that they held at the Corralitos Grange on November 6, 2013, re-schedule legitimate community forums for discussion of their proposed plans and for community input.

Many community members and landowners living within sight of the proposed project's environmental changes did not attend the November 6 public meeting because at that point in time they still had no information or contact from PG&E about the proposed project.

We are deeply committed and civic-minded community members of Santa Cruz county for 50 years, and owners of a home at the end of Bollinger Place, off of Amesti Road near where it meets Varni and Pioneer Roads. We are both educated individuals who have worked and served in the Santa Cruz community for most of our adult years, and we take our civic obligations very seriously. We do, in fact, stay informed about huge changes in local infrastructure.

<u>Firstly</u>, we find PG&E methods to "inform" the residents potentially impacted by the proposed reinforcement project reprehensibly dishonest.

Both as citizens and as customers of PG&E, we expect to have our rights to forthright, complete, accurate, and timely information respected.

We understand that PG&E may feel that keeping the numbers of informed customers down to a minimum will help limit controversy about the proposed project and also lower costs.

Yet we feel strongly that accurate and complete information about a project of this size must be disseminated in a timely manner to all landowners within obvious sight of the project – which means contacting more owners than those within 300 feet of the proposed project.

As a result of PG&E's misleading and very poorly disseminated information, we did not attend the meeting on the proposed project that PG&E hosted at the Corralitos Grange on November 6, 2013. We never heard about the meeting.

We understand from community members who did attend the November 6 public meeting that PG&E shut down questions and comments, and refused to provide a public forum for community discussion – instead demanding that people contact the CPUC individually.

Does that sound particularly respectful of the democratic process to you?

PG&E claims to have informed all residents living within 300 feet of the project by letter in February and March of 2012. We have downloaded and read the two lists of residents allegedly contacted by letter.

PG&E generated two lists because their first list did not provide notice as per CPUC regulations to all landowners required to receive such notice. Their second attempt was twice as long.

We are not on the two lists. We live less than half a mile away from the project in direct view of the 100 foot plus new steel poles.

We did not know about this proposed reinforcement project until Wednesday, November 27, 2013 when we learned of it from a friend who lives on Day Valley Road near another section of the proposed project.

No one in our tightknit and interconnected neighborhood knew about PG&E's proposed project. We confirmed this when we contacted our neighbors along Bollinger Place.

Our home and every other house on the north facing side of our street has a wide view of the proposed 100 foot plus new steel poles in the valley bordered by Pioneer Road to the northeast of us – less than half a mile away.

In fact, the poles will cut up and through the beautiful view of the Santa Cruz mountains that characterizes our backyard and scenic local road experience.

PG&E posted notice of the availability of a Draft IS/MND for the project in the Aptos and Watsonville libraries. We are residents of the Amesti area, which is nowhere near these libraries.

PG&E also posted notice of the availability of a Draft IS/MND for the project on telephone poles near the project. Although both of us bike, run, and walk our beautiful back roads regularly, we do not read notices posted in fine print on telephone poles. We assume that PG&E does not expect customers driving by in cars to read their notices posted on telephone poles.

PG&E did not post a notice in the Four Corners store, which sits at the intersection of Amesti, Varni, and Pioneer Roads. The store has a community bulletin board.

PG&E also claims to have posted two public notices of the availability of a Draft IS/MND twice in the *Santa Cruz Sentinel* – one on October 18, 2013 and a second on November 1, 2013.

We called the *Sentinel*, and determined that there was, in fact, no public notice posted on October 18, 2013.

Public notice of the availability of a Draft IS/MND was posted November 1, 2013 on page B-9 of the paper.

From a cursory perusal of public documentation readily available online, PG&E has been working on the proposed project since at least 2010. The work to create the PEA, the application to construct, and the Draft IS/MND took PG&E over two years to generate.

But the public who must live with this permanent negative change in their community has had a window of 30 days to comment on the Draft IS/MND.

Then, PG&E extended the comment period to 45 days until December 2, 2013.

Then, PG&E extended the comment period another 4 days until December 6, 2013.

However, again we find PG&E's methods grossly misleading.

Shouldn't the comment window begin on the date when public notice appeared in the *Sentinel* on November 1, 2013 – which means that it should end on January 7, 2014?

<u>Secondly</u>, in regards to the Draft IS/MND, PG&E claims that all negative impacts on the community have been mitigated by their proposed plans. The PG&E Study is grossly incomplete and misleading – and riddled with contradictions.

The Study acknowledges that both Amesti and Corralitos Roads are designated Rural Scenic Roads by the county.

The Study also acknowledges that along a Rural Scenic Road, Santa Cruz County General Plan Policy 5.10.11 states that "visual qualities worthy of protection" should be "identified" and then appropriate "siting, architectural design and landscaping" should be used to "mitigate the impacts on those visual qualities."

Then, the Study actually omits any discussion whatsoever of specifically Amesti or Corralitos Roads, although both of those roads are impacted by the proposed project, and both of those roads offer numerous scenic vistas or distant public views, as do other roads in other sections of the proposed project.

The Study also omits any discussion whatsoever of specifically Pioneer Road, although this road also provides scenic vistas.

Also, the Study proceeds to limit the definition of scenic or aesthetically pleasing to what people experience in a car while driving down the road in a given number of seconds.

America's scenic roads are not experienced exclusively in a car or in seconds. The Study acknowledges this by stating that "a scenic vista is a distant public view along or through an opening or corridor that is valued for its scenic quality." People walk, run, bike, and live daily and nightly looking out across these roads – and measure the quality of their life by that inimitable span of quiet, greening, breathing, rising valley.

The valley bordered by Amesti, Pioneer, and Green Valley Roads is a lovely, quiet place, its apple orchards and berry farms interlaced by green row crops and strawberry fields, and dotted by old barns and old California ranch homes.

In the summers, green throated hummingbirds crowd the byways and small lanes. Red tailed hawks perch in the pines. At night, frog song rolls along the culverts and from out the low wet places. Bats slice up the dark – and the occasional owl. Among the trees, in the apple orchards, coyotes travel, always looking, their voices more prevalent than the sound of a passing car. It is that quiet.

Nothing towers higher here than the occasional stand of rogue eucalyptus or the brotherhoods of Monterey pine and California oak. The eye is drawn up from this middle distance to the Santa Cruz mountains beyond.

Yet the study claims that the 100 foot plus steel poles that would bisect this valley would not significantly change its aesthetics and scenic value.

And although the 100 foot plus new steel poles would cut up from Amesti, Corralitos, and Pioneer Roads across the distant vistas and the view of the Santa Cruz mountains, the Study claims that there is no view obstruction.

And although only low lying farm buildings and existing lower poles half the height or less than the proposed ones dot the landscape, the Study claims that there is other utility infrastructure.

Painters routinely paint the area, trying to make on canvas a poem of the valley's idiosyncratic, peaceful patchwork – but PG&E hired someone to calculate its alleged mediocrity.

The Study uses a trumped up statement that deconstructs the beauty of the valley to a variegated mix of built up structures, farmland, and open green space that is not uniform enough to qualify as "highly" aesthetic. Uniformity, of course, being high art's most pleasing aesthetic.

And the Study omits any specific discussion of Amesti, Corralitos or Pioneer Roads, devaluing the patent beauty of these fields, orchards and open spaces at the foot of the Santa Cruz mountains in order to justify not having to acknowledge the need to mitigate through siting, architectural design, and landscaping the gross impact the towering new steel poles will undoubtedly have on the current scenic value of the area.

The original draft of the Study actually included a proposal to re-landscape around the poles to mitigate their impact on vistas, but then PG&E eliminated this proposal as "unfeasible."

The study acknowledges the presence of endangered fauna and flora in numerous spots along the proposed project, namely – the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander, the white-tailed kite, the bald eagle, bats, the dusky-footed woodrat, the Monterey spineflower, the Monterey pine, California oaks.

Yet, the Study then alleges that it will successfully relocate and replant all affected species.

Interestingly, in Chapter Five of its PEA, PG&E alleged that the shorter Southern Alignment was not a viable route because it had known Santa Cruz long-toed salamander breeding pools.

If the Northern Alignment has the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander living along its stretch as well, in wet, creek areas – then this area is also, similarly to the Southern Alignment, not a viable option.

<u>Thirdly</u>, PG&E stated in its Draft IS/MND that it is not required to share any findings from its PEA about alternative routes for the reinforcement project.

However, having read Chapter Five of PG&E's PEA, we find, again, numerous inconsistencies, contradictions, and inaccuracies.

One of the gravest contradictions is the argument that an endangered species like the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander can be successful relocated and protected amidst gross construction related displacements along the Northern Alignment route, but the salamander cannot be protected in similar circumstances along the Southern route.

Another contradiction is the statement that along the Southern Alignment route, there would be extensive tree removal. There is also extensive tree removal along the Northern Alignment route.

PG&E also cites the fact that the Southern Alignment disturbs the federally endangered robust spineflower, and this makes the route unviable. Alternatively, how is it more acceptable for PG&E to make claims that a threatened plant like the Monterey spineflower, which occurs along the Northern alignment, is better to disturb?

PG&E also cites the fact that the Southern Alignment line would pass across Aptos High School's baseball and football fields, and that the school is a "sensitive receptor." However, the line already exists there. So, apparently when it was originally built, the school was not a "sensitive receptor?" The Northern Alignment passes next to Bradley Elementary on Corralitos Road.

PG&E's PEA also cites scenic vistas along the Southern Alignment route that would be impacted. Clearly, there are also significant vistas along the Northern Alignment route, but PG&E has worked very hard to discredit in misleading and inaccurate ways the actual scenic values of the vistas along the Northern Alignment route.

Given all of these contradictions, we urge you to reconsider PG&E's PEA, which is undoubtedly heavily biased by local interests.

Again, we urge you to require a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routes and undergrounding of utilities.

Sincerely,

Gregory Ross Audino Nina Genkin Audino

Helen Carr 403 Quail Run Aptos, CA 95003

December 2, 2013

Fax 650-373-1211 Lisa Orsaba Panorama Environmental, Inc. 11 Embarcadero Center #470 San Francisco, CA 9411

Hello.

I would like to comment on the planned Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project as proposed by PG&E in Application No. A.12-01-012

First, it is a major project which impacts a wide swath of terrain. The immediate construction impacts are widespread and the long term impact is significant. It should merit a full Environmental Review. The proposal involves cutting approximately 165 trees and clearing 46 acres. This appears to be in mature, natural habitat. Long term the project proposes significant use of herbicides.

Second, the community to be impacted both in the short term and the long term has not been adequately notified. Publicized meetings should be held. Information on the proposal should be distributed to local media. The exact citing of the large concrete pedestals and steel poles should be clearly communicated.

Third, consideration for the rural and aesthetic nature of the area is lacking. These 79-86 TSPs up to 105' tall are more appropriate to an industrial area. It appears that proposed visual mitigation was dropped because it was deemed to be ineffective. The potential for eminent domain was mentioned and should be clarified and clearly communicated.. View shed is a significant California value and it has not been adequately addressed.

Forth, the rationale for needing this project is not developed and alternatives need to be considered. Specifically planning for the future should include the potential for distributed power generation.

Thank you for considering these issues.

Sincerely.

From: James Kerr

Sent: Friday, October 25, 2013 2:06 PM

To: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Cc:Lisa OrsabaSubject:Draft ISMND

Hello Ms. Treis and Ms. Orsaba,

Per the ISMND, there are approximately 766 residences located in and within 600 feet of the project corridor, and 172 are in and within the Cox-Freedom Segment.

Did those 766 constitute the mailing list for the Notices of Intent that were mailed to "Current Resident or Landowner," or was a different criteria used?

May I have a copy of the mailing list, preferably with the breakdowns by Landscape Units per Table 3.1-1? I'm most interested in the Cox-Freedom Segment, where I live.

Thank you.

Jim Kerr

James M. Kerr 2125 Cox Road Aptos, CA 95003

December 6, 2013

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Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I have lived in Aptos, Santa Cruz County, California, for more than fifty years. The Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project, as proposed, will significantly and forever alter the beauty of this natural landscape – and adversely impact the residents, environment, aesthetics and habitats – of not only the local neighborhoods, but of the entire community. The project is entirely inconsistent with the values of most who have chosen Santa Cruz County, and particularly rural Santa Cruz County, as their home. It is inconsistent with the Santa Cruz County General Plan to "guide future growth and development in a manner consistent with the goals and quality of life desired by Santa Cruz County citizens.

The Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. For example, nearly one-third of the data in Table 3.16-2 (Public Access Roadways in the Project Corridor with Available LOS and ADT Volume) is inconsistent with the apparent cited source of the data (Santa Cruz County Public Works. 2009. Maintained Road Data.). Any reader would see these inconsistencies, and anyone applying only common sense, or who had simply visited these roadways, would realize that there are mistakes. Again, one can only wonder how much of the other data is also inaccurate.

The project has been fraught with procedural mistakes, from the initial oversight with the Declaration of Mailing that required a Supplemental Mailing, to the discovery that the project website had not been updated for a year, to the recent mishap which delayed publishing the IS/MND itself. I do not suggest that any of the missteps were in any way malicious; however, I again must ask what other important steps were missed?

I understand that pursuant to Sections 21080 and 21082.2, "public controversy over the possible environmental effects of a project is not sufficient reason to require an EIR 'if there is no substantial evidence in light of the whole record before the lead agency that the project may have a significant effect on the environment," and "...substantial evidence includes 'facts, reasonable assumptions predicated upon facts, and expert opinion supported by facts.'"

In this community, there certainly is controversy, as evidenced by the overwhelming community opposition to the project. Approximately 300 community members have attended neighborhood meetings in the past 30 days – virtually all oppose the proposed project. Granted, we, as laypersons, cannot offer "expert opinions" in the analysis of the technical data in the MND. However, we are eminently qualified to comment on the aesthetic impact of the project, particularly 89- to 98-foot poles replacing ±39-foot poles, which the MND describes as an "...incremental change, that is a minor change...." That increment is 228% to 251%, vertically. If the same increment were applied horizontally to my two-lane rural road, the result would be a divided four-lane thoroughfare. The MND further suggests that, because the new circuit lies mostly within an existing utility easement, the inference is that this only an upgrade. In fact, this is an entirely new alignment for a 115 kV circuit, where one did not exist before.

The aesthetic impacts of this project are being assessed by a community that has already self-determined to live here because of the aesthetic; but any ordinary, reasonable person, anywhere, would agree that these massive poles are completely out of character in any rural residential neighborhood. Evidently (following three requests for information from PG&E staff), there are no other poles of this size in all of Santa Cruz County, at least winding through neighborhoods. An attempt to mitigate the visual impact of a 98-foot TSP by utilizing corten steel is gratuitous at best.

I do not believe the visual impacts of the proposed project can be mitigated, nor can they be judged or decided by others to be duly mitigated. In the final analysis, only those who view these structures while passing through or visiting the neighborhoods can do so. Even with mitigation, the resulting impacts of the project are unfairly and unreasonably placed on a few, ignoring community values and altering the character of our rural neighborhoods forever.

Santa Cruz County is arguably one of the most unique, bountiful, and beautiful places on earth. It is unimaginable that the CPUC would not exhaust every avenue to ensure that one of California's natural treasures is not irreversibly damaged.

Therefore, I request that the California Public Utilities Commission order a full Environmental Impact report on the proposed project, to include the assessment of all feasible alternatives for this project, including all other routes and undergrounding.

Sincerei	y	,

James M. Kerr

From: James Kerr

Sent:Sunday, December 08, 2013 7:42 PMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project

Hello Lisa Orsaba.

These were intended to be attached to my comments regarding the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project.

If it's possible to include them, I would appreciate it.

Jim Kerr

http://www.tpgonlinedaily.com/pges-plan-improvement-sparks-protest/

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http://santacruz.patch.com/groups/around-town/p/time-is-ticking-for-aptos-residents-opposed-to-seven-miles-of-giant-towers

Susanne Heim, Project Manger/Scientist Panorama Environmental, Inc One Embarcadero Center, Suite 740 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Ms. Heim,

We are writing you in regard to the 115kv Reinforcement Project. We have lived on Day Valley Rd in Aptos for 39 years and haven't had enough power interruptions to even consider that this proposed project is worth the removal of 150 trees, the proposed 100 X 4 foot steel poles and the change to the aesthetics of the area. Their proposal is 18 poles within approximately 1 1/2 to 2 mile distance between their existing line where it crosses Cox Rd., down Cox Rd to Day Valley Rd to McDonald, down McDonald to Freedom Blvd. How can that be necessary?

PG&E every year sends their line clearance contractor out to make sure there is enough clearance between the lines and trees. The contractor, Davey Tree, comes on to our property and makes a mess of the trees. They lie as to how much they are going to clear and then trim a 90 degree shelf or a V in the middle of the trees. Over the years the radical trimming of some of the trees has caused them to die.

If they are so concerned with the power outages caused by the trees, why don't they go underground with their lines? Then there wouldn't be any interruption due to trees.

We are also aware that they haven't done an EIR and would think that with the size of this project one would be necessary.

IJan Spichtig

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Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission I Emparcadero Center #740 San Francesco, CA

Dear Ms Orsaba

Jam writing to express concern over \$6 and £'s plans to erect large power poles and to vemove trees in my rural heighborhood.

I have lived in the Day Valley region of Seenta Cruz County for over 25 years. I taised my 3 children here, appreciating the natural beauty and country at mosphere this neighborhood

At the very least a full Environmental Impact Report Should be done. Installing additional lines underground should at least he considered (Ideally the existing power lines could be undergrounded as well.)

Please do not ignore the well-being of hundreds of Santa bruz county residents. ours is not the only reignborhood offeeted I urge you to act! Jeanne Herrick 520 Calle del Sof Aptor, CA 95003

Jeffrey Randolph

Attorney at Law

November 25, 2013

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Lisa Orsaba-Energy Division California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

P.O. Box 1145

Aptos, CA 95001

I am writing regarding PG&E's planned 115 KeV reinforcement project in Santa Cruz County. I am a resident of the community in which this project is planned, living within approximately 300 feet of the proposed power lines, at the corner of Hames and Pleasant Valley Roads, in Corralitos. I have lived here since I was a small child...for almost the past 40 years. Despite owning our home this close to the proposed project, and having lived here this long, I only heard of this project LAST WEEK for the first time! In addition, 4 other homes in our neighborhood are owned and occupied by my siblings, my grandmother, and my parents, and none of them had heard of the project prior to this past week either. Clearly, PG&E has not done an adequate job of publicizing this ridiculous project, that has apparently been in the works for over two years!

I call this project ridiculous, after having reviewed several hundred pages of documents, maps, photographs, applications, questions, answers, and the like. I've read and reviewed PG&E's responses to the CPUC's inquiries, I've looked at the proposed locations of the new poles, and seen PG&E's "mockups" of what the project will look like. I've reviewed the "independent" report concerning the environmental factors, put together by the company hired by PG&E, in an effort to avoid an Environmental Impact Report.

Our neighborhood is more than a habitat for long-toed salamanders and wood rats, though those animals live here because of the kind of place this is--unspoiled. The name of the road I live on is "Pleasant Valley Road." It's aptly named. It's a road that's used not only by the residents of our street. It's a destination, because of it's character. We have at least 4 working horse farms on the street that are open for lessons. There are at least 3 wineries open for wine tasting. There are several olive orchards amongst the numerous apple orchards. Within several hundred feet of the proposed new 100 foot tall steel electric towers is a beautiful italian tiled Monastery located amongst the apple trees, where dozens of people come each morning to worship in the chapel, and listen to the otherwise silent nuns sing. People walk and run along our road every morning and every evening, enjoying nature and getting their excercise. Every weekend, dozens of bicyclists ride along our roads, because of the natural beauty of our rolling hills, orchards, and fields. It is within this setting that PG&E proposes to install 100 foot tall steel towers, 4 feet wide at the base, on concrete foundations, with numerous (additional) high-tension wires atop them, installing them using helicopters that will, over the course of more than a year, subject our area to hours upon hours of 80-120 db noise, and dust. And those are just the temporary issues.

The visual impacts of our neighborhood, and pastoral, country neighborhoods stretching for almost 9 miles in either direction, will be permanently scarred with the appearance of these towers. PG&E has not responded to the majority of residents in our area, as the company has not properly notified the majority of residents. If 4 residential families living within several hundred feet of a major intersection (and, incidentally, across the street from two of the three proposed helicopter landing zones, as well) were not notified of this project, it stands to reason that a large majority of other residents are not properly notified either.

I have seen large signs posted at VERY small projects, such as small granny-units and new home constructions, notifying the public of their right to appear at public hearings prior to such small developments. No such signs were posted along the route in this case, such as on Power poles along the route. No individually-addressed letters have been mailed to PG&E customers notifying them of this project. It is NOT adequate to send "to the resident" mailings that are commonly tossed in the mail, and to publish "to the public" type notices in the newspaper, when such a large project will affect people's lives in such a large way. Especially when PG&E proposes to construct this project without an Environmental Impact Report!

In closing-- PG&E has proposed to cut down between 100 and 150 trees, including, among others, willow trees and redwood trees. Willow trees, in particular, ONLY grow in wetland and riparian zones. While PG&E may state that they do not plan to work in riparian zones, the fact that they state that they plan to cut willow trees should be a red flag that in fact this is not the case. And the fact that they plan to cut over 100 trees in our peaceful area, not to mention all the noise and dust, should be reason enough to force PG&E to conduct a full EIR.

While I note that you have asked PG&E about noise from helicopters, PG&E stated in their response to your request for information #1, that helicopters would make approximately 120db of noise at 50 feet, and that homes within 490 feet of TSP foundation installation locations would be subjected to 8 hour average noise levels in excess of 80db. As the OSHA maximum noise level for 8 hours is 85db, and PG&E does not specify a) how far in excess of 80db the noise will be (only that it will be somewhere in excess of 80db and less than 120db) or b) the noise level for any particular home at any particular distance, this clearly is not an adequate answer on the part of PG&E. Subjecting homes to noise at these levels for hours a day, for who knows how many days over who knows how many months, is clearly not an option.

PG&E has clearly attempted to skate by with the cheapest, though least palatable option for our community. Please do not allow this to proceed without further study of the alternatives, via a full Environmental Impact Report. I understand that PG&E has identified at least 4 or 5 others.

Finally, I do have concern on whether PG&E has been asked whether they are building this system to accommodate a higher voltage than the stated 115kV system that's in their application. While I realize that's what they're putting on the face of this, I have little doubt that they are likely constructing the system to accommodate a much higher voltage than that for the future..and that once constructed, all it will take is a simple flip of a switch at their substation, to significantly up the voltage to double or triple the voltage carried by those lines (and thus the EMF pollution/radiation) without public comment/ knowledge at that point. The public should be made aware of the level to which these lines are being engineered, to know what future plans and EMF radiation PG&E has in store. If they do not have plans to up the voltage in the future "under the radar" of the public, they should have no issue answering that question now, regarding the level to which they are engineering this system, so the public is aware.

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Sincerely

Jeff Randolph

From: Jeff West

Sent:Thursday, December 05, 2013 12:44 PMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:Santa Cruz 115Kv Project COMMENT

Ms Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities commission % Panorama Environmental, Inc 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

December 05, 2013

re: Santa Cruz 115v Project

Greetings Ms Orsaba,

I am writing in regards to the proposed Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E.

As a resident of the Aptos community for 17 years, I have treasured this rural environment as a beautiful and peaceful place to raise my family. I am concerned with the proposed plan details which will raise the height of power poles to 100 feet! This will compromise the aesthetic of this rural environment! Additionally I believe it will adversely affect the environment, the residents, wildlife habitats, and our community values. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigted Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete, and contains multiple factual errors.

The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and I believe this project will have a significant, permanent, negative impact on the Day Valley Area.

I demand that an Environmental Impact Report be completed in full; one that is unprejudiced, scientific, and complete, and that addresses all feasible alternatives including undergrounding and other routes, to be completed before any further approval of this project.

Sincerely,

Jeffery West

283 Pine Forest Dr Aptos, CA 95003-9792

From: Jillian Matejcek

Sent:Thursday, November 07, 2013 8:09 PMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:PGE Power Line Project, Freedom Blvd

From a family living on Freedom Blvd x Valencia, I could not be more opposed to this project. It is easy to brush off community residents with big-wig talk about how there is no effect on people and property values etc etc. I already have some huge transformer sight one house away from me and a few months ago it was on fire or something - my home was jeopardized! I am not interested what so ever in having big power poles put up on my street. I have no tolerance for the traffic, with Aptos High school alone it is already horrendous and prevents me from being able to get out of my drive way. We all have the power we need.

Whatever happened to underground power????? Now we need all these big, ugly, buzzing and unhealthy power units all over our streets and in front of our homes.

What type of environmental reports are being performed here? Why are we only concerned about little animals and such and not potential effects on humans?? What about our views?? What about our property values?? What about potential harm to our bodies and children??

I am 100% opposed to this project and will fight it to the fullest of my ability, and will also be informing all of my neighbors and gaining their support against it. It seems as though residents are informed of intent, but it's simply because we have to be and the intent to go through with the project is always the core motive regardless of what 'we the people' think.

Sincerely, Jillian Matejcek John & Sherry Hall 240 Pioneer View Rd Watsonville CA 95076

11/30/13

Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
C/o Panorama Environmental, Inc
1 Embarcadero Center, Suite #740
San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This letter is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E.

Because only a California Environmental Quality Act report was done we believe many issues of concern were not addressed. We ask that an unprejudiced, scientific, full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all feasible alternatives be done. We ask that the Environmental Impact Report also answer the concerns we are listing in this letter.

Below are our concerns:

- The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is generalized and does not address
 issues specific to the agricultural uses in the community such as organic farming. For example,
 will leaching concrete impact organic certification?
- We believe there will be permanent disruption to native wildlife habitat including the very likely
 introduction of invasive species. For example, we currently do not have Ground Squirrels on our
 property because the native Hawks control them. The new, taller poles will replace the Hawk
 perches and they will no longer be able to hunt the area. The Ground Squirrels will then be able
 to invade our land with the potential of eliminating farming.
- We are concerned about construction and maintenance damage to personal property and private road.
- We are concerned about water pollution from construction. Our community is monitored by the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board and we are responsible for compliance with their regulations and are subject to fines if we do not comply. Will PG&E also be responsible for compliance with those same regulations? Will PG&E be responsible for any regulatory fines caused by the construction?
- We cannot find information regarding the compaction of farmland. This is an important issue in rural and farming communities. Compaction from construction and equipment reduces the productivity and usability of the soil.

- We cannot find information regarding power line easement widths and whether the existing easements are adequate.
- We cannot find a specification or graphic illustration showing the size of the foundation and footing for the various sized new power poles.
- Will the property owner take on more liability due to the increased size of the power line? If so, does PG&E pay for increased cost of liability insurance?
- We cannot find information about potential for damage from different levels of seismic activity?
- What is the potential of a wildfire from the construction process or from the proposed enlargement of the 115kV Reinforcement Project? Many homeowners pay a special assessment to the State of California for rural fire protection. Will this cost increase? Will PG&E be responsible for that increase?
- Statements in the report regarding mitigation said "impact was less than significant". We strongly disagree and feel the impact of this project will be very significant to the livelihood, beauty and values of our community.

We believe that the size and height of the proposed reinforcement will permanently alter our community and neighborhood esthetics. We believe the natural wildlife habitat will also be permanently and negatively altered.

Again we ask for an unprejudiced, scientific, full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all feasible alternatives. We ask that the Environmental Impact Report also answer the concerns we are listing in this letter.

We request that our concerns be entered into the permanent record.

Sherry Hall

Sincerely,

John & Sherry Hall

December 4, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing as a citizen of Aptos, CA, and a customer of PG&E. I would like to express my concern about the project that is set to be built through our area; from the Rob Roy Station in Aptos to the Green Valley Station in Watsonville. We feel that there hasn't been enough thought put into the process, and we ask that an Environmental Impact Report be commissioned.

Our neighborhood is unique in this day and age. The planned upgrades are set to go through areas that currently have no streets lights, no curbs, no sidewalks, and no shoulder areas. It is a bucolic country setting, and the residents and visitors appreciate it for this very reason. The current plan for 90 ft. poles and lines will require much more in the way of set back areas, and by removing so many of the trees the area will be significantly impacted and the environment destroyed.

We enjoy almost uninterrupted power in our area - it is only when a violent storm hits the region, or a wreckless driver hits a pole, that we suffer any power loss. This project is not needed in this area at this proportion at this time. We should be looking at ways to cut back on our power needs, rather than finding ways to get more power to places that should not be developed further. There is not enough water in the area to support any further growth - thus there should not be a need for larger lines, especially at the cost to the environment.

Best regards,

Julie Lolmaugh 45 Napdina Drive Aptos, CA 95003 831-685-1425

From: kathie stark

Sent:Sunday, November 10, 2013 9:45 AMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: PG&E Project

We are very opposed to the 100 ft poles that are due to be erected on Freedom Blvd and McDonald. There is no reason that these poles and their unsightly wires cannot be placed underground. How do we sign a petition to keep this from happening.

Thank you,

Kathie L. Stark

Kelly Kerr

7555 Sunset Way, Apt 14

Aptos, CA 95003

12/5/13

Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc.
1 Embarcadero Center, #740
San Francisco, California 94111
FAX: (650) 373-1211

Santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I live in Santa Cruz County, California, where the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project is proposed. I am concerned that PG&E's proposed project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my community. I grew up in the tranquil, rural countryside of Aptos on Cox Road. There are a number of residents in these neighborhoods who have lived here for a very long time. We have forests of redwood and oaks, warm sunny hillsides and valleys for orchards, vineyards, nurseries and livestock. Within this area there is a diversity of ecosystems allowing for so many species of birds, coyotes, deer, bobcats, cougars and more. I am so grateful that I was raised in such a beautiful environment surrounded by nature. Now as a professional Concierge at the Seascape Beach Resort, a 4-Diamond Resort in Aptos, I get to share my insight with countless visitors to the area. People who have travelled from all over the country and internationally have chosen to visit our town and to experience the natural beauty the area has to offer. I recommend the area to those looking to road bike, walk or run. The Corralitos area offers a bountiful wine-growing region, and many travelers take the scenic drive down Corralitos road to experience the Corralitos Wine Trail. Everyday, I get to share my first-hand knowledge of the area with travelers so they may come to experience the natural beauty of our environment as I have.

I believe that the proposed project will contribute to the further urbanization and degradation of the natural beauty of this neighborhood. This project adversely affects the residents, environment, aesthetics, habitats, and community values of the area.

In reading through your *Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration*, I am shocked and dismayed at the lack of serious concern about how our environment will be affected by this proposed project. A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is called for, absolutely. The Draft Initial Study seems to me to take a cavalier attitude: "Based on the analysis in the IS, it has been determined that all project-related environmental impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level with the incorporation of feasible mitigation measures." Really?!

"No evidence that implementing the proposed project would have any adverse affects on people." Nothing I have read in the reports mentions the considerable use of these areas for recreation and exercise, by residents and also by many non-residents who travel from other parts to use these lovely quiet "back roads" for scenic drives to the local wineries, for bicycling, jogging, walking, and hiking. This project will adversely affect everyone!

I believe there are alternatives to the proposed locations of these massive poles and high voltage lines. Has PG&E considered other routes? Shouldn't the residents be informed why our area is being targeted, especially the section of Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald Roads and Freedom Blvd, which do not have already existing 115-kV power lines?

I have other concerns; the permanent negative change in the neighborhood aesthetics, the impact on community values and safety. We need a FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT! PG&E should PROVE its claims that mitigation will reduce impact to insignificance. And, yes, aesthetics do matter.

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Kelly Kerr

From: Kristen Totah

Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2013 10:10 PM santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement project by PG & E

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc 1 Emabarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing to you in reference to the Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Project. Our family has lived on Pleasant Valley road in for 43 years. We chose this location for it's rural surroundings, wildlife, and country charm. Yes, we do have occasional power outages, but it is just a minor inconvenience that we are willing to endure in exchange for maintaining our surroundings and habitat. We don't even have cell service- and it is GREAT! We do NOT want to see the upgraded poles anywhere near our beautiful surroundings for several reasons.

First, these poles are a visual atrocity, that belong along a major stretch of highway (if at all). Why are underground lines not considered in these circumstances?

Second, the size of these poles is ridiculous. 5' in diameter? 100' high? Where are they going to go? whose property are they going to encroach on? Our roads are already narrow, and it limits all possibility of future roadwork, bike lanes, and expansion. There are hundreds of cyclists that ride our roads every day- they are already riding without adequate bike lanes. If the poles are not encroaching on the roadways and shoulders, then they much be encroaching on private land, or resulting in considerable loss to the natural foliage. As I drove home today I surveyed the route from Highway 1 to Corralitos road- and there is not a single instance where these poles would not seriously detract and encroach on the wildlife and terrain. The proposal says that 104 trees are to be removed....which trees? These are the natural habitat to numerous species...where is the full environmental impact report? We demand that one be procured.

In Maui, where I frequently work, a similar upgrade was 'passed' without any environmental impact report or public review. They just added another row of these ridiculously sized poles next to the existing power poles...so they didn't 'replace' the existing poles- they just added more- it is awful looking- in some areas 3 rows of power poles, each progressively larger than the previous, and it completely mars the landscape and changes the feel of the area. We do not want a similar situation here in Aptos/Corralitos. Our rural lifestyle works just fine as it is, thank you very much.

I hope you consider our community as a complete ecosystem, with homeowners who genuinely care about maintaining the integrity of our environment and not just another roadway on a planning grid slated for an upgrade. This is a special place, and we don't want it to be ruined!

Kristen Totah

From: Lawrence Lane

Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 3:10 PM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: comment on Rob Roy Project

Re: Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Project.

Lisa Orsaba,

A full environmental impact report is most needed before PG & E does anything pole related to the proposed installation.

Permit me to elaborate:

- 1. The community aesthetics will be greatly impacted.
- 2. Any new installation should be underground no matter what the location.
- 3. The safety issues are numerous. Narrow roads; no shoulders; kids walking to the school bus, and walking home after drop-off are already impacting the narrow space available. Monster poles will further impact the situation.
- 4. The Corralitos Road and adjacent environs are a scenic corridor.
- 5. If PG & E cannot (or are not willing) to provide natural gas to many of the residential areas in the proposed pole areas, how is it that they propose this expensive project?
- 6. A natural monopoly is permitted in that it is believed that it is less expensive for the consumers, this will impact the bills for years to come. The constant call for rate increases is crazy!
- 7. Alternate routes must be considered---remember, the greatest good for the greatest number!

Thank You for reading this letter, and thinking about its content in advance.

Sincerely,

Lawrence T. Lane Aptos, CA

From: Logan Tschantz

Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 12:21 PM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: Attn: Ms Orsaba - Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E running along the Freedom Blvd. area. I grew up in the rural Aptos area near Freedom Blvd. where I spent the first 18 years of my life and feel in love with the untainted aesthetics Aptos has to offer. I am concerned to learn of the new proposed PG&E project to install new electrical risers in the area. I was further concerned to learn that no in depth environmental impact report has been executed. I am fully aware that new improved infrastrustre is required to maintain our way of life but i feel that certain environmental issues has been overlooked. I urge you to consider doing this project the "right" way and furthermore urge you to consider the neighborhood concerns so that a middle ground may be reached. Thank you.

Best regards, Logan Tschantz 7555 Sunset Way #14 Aptos, CA 95003

From: Madelene C

Sent:Thursday, December 05, 2013 9:30 PMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:comment on santa cruz 115kv project

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

As someone who appreciates the beauty of the Day Valley area, I am opposed to the proposed PGE 115kv project. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant permanent effect on the Day Valley area environment.

I believe it is imperative to require a full and complete Environmental Impact Report before this project is considered. I request my concerns be entered into the permanent record.

Sincerely,

Madelene Coke 125 Day Valley Lane Aptos, CA 95003

Marco Romanini

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December 1, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Emabarcadero Center, Suite #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Lisa Orsaba:

I have carefully reviewed the PG&E proposed 115 KV reinforcement project for Santa Cruz County and I appreciate the level of technical detail present. However, there seems to be a lack of due diligence with respect to the effects this plan will have on the community values of the areas affected.

The proposal would permanently and irrevocably destroy the community values of the Day Valley area, to name only one of many areas affected. The community, as it exists, is semi-rural, forested area with much wildlife such as deer, bobcats, coyotes and many raptors. PG&E's plan would create a denuded, suburban landscape with outsized electrical transmission towers wholly incongruent with the existing community values.

The proposal calls for the doubling of the current pole and wire infrastructure in the Cox-Freedom Segment of the project. That is, replacing the existing electric, telephone, and cable infrastructure of typical rural appearance (45' poles) with poles twice as high (90' +) as well as the addition of some 100' TSPs. This has been indicated to be 'less than significant impact' on scenic vistas and a 'less than significant impact' on the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings. These assessments are disingenuous and legally self-serving as they allow PG&E to avail themselves of a "Mitigated Negative Declaration", and thus side step the usual Environmental Impact Report.

The proposal calls for the removal of 169 trees, out of which 104 from the Cox-Freedom segment, which currently has approximately 300 trees. However, PG&E has refused to state which trees are planned for removal and indeed have not included any tree surveys by certified arborists as to the impact of removing such trees on the surrounding environment. Once again, the proposal labels the devastating effects of removing 33% of the trees from a wooded, bucolic neighborhood as 'less than significant'; this assessment is incorrect and dishonest.

The proposal describes the adding of a transmission circuit to the Cox-Freedom segment as an incremental change. This is not only an understatement but also a misrepresentation of the project. The Cox-Freedom segment is an upgrade in designation from a distribution circuit to becoming the Cox-Freedom Alignment similar to the Northern Alignment and the Southern Alignment. Again this is not a 'less than significant' impact of the community values of this area, it is an extremely significant change with ramifications to the whole community and its values.

The proposal not only fails to consider the impact of the project on the community values, it also failed to consider the effects on the existing infrastructure, such as the water supply. This community is served mostly (100's of residences) by the Central Water District (CWD) with a few residences in the Soquel Water District (SWD). PG&E indeed notified the SWD but neglected to inform the CDW. The CWD has stated, in an open letter to PG&E, that their World War II era thin-walled water mains which cannot withstand the effects of this project. The proposal does not address, nor indicate awareness of the potential effects on our water supply system or the possibility of contaminates entering the water supply as a result of this project.

Finally, the proposal has minimal discussion of the alternatives, which include a slightly longer route that creates less than 1/2 mile of new 115 KV right of way affecting only 6 landowners rather than the current 200. Given the devastating effect the current proposal would have on the existing community PG&E should do a more in-depth study of all options. If it can be demonstrated that Day Valley is the

appropriate route for this project, the appropriate technology would be underground. This is required according to state law, consistent with the county general plan, and supported by recent case law.

I respectfully demand that the current PG&E Santa Cruz 115 KV reinforcement plan be rejected by the CPUC, and that a complete Environmental Impact Report be prepared, allowing full discussion of the rationale for the project, the profound destruction of community values in the Day Valley area, the extent and location of planned tree removal, the alternatives, and the potential necessity for undergrounding of the project.

Sincerely,

Marco Romanini

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December 3, 2013

Lisa Orsaba CA Public Utilities Comm. c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Fax: 650-373-1211

RE: Santa Cruz115kvproject

I am writing because I am not pleased about the plans PG&E has for my neighborhood. I have lived on Quail Run for 5 years and moved here because of the beauty & simplicity of a rural community. The existing power lines that will be replaced by their plan are already an eyesore and they are at tree height. Perhaps these trees are already doomed by their plan which makes it even worse. Doubling the size of these power poles will bring the lines much more into view & I see them every time I'm in front of my house! The reports that say a driver will only see the new lines for 10 seconds & it's not considered a noticeable impact is very wrong in my opinion.

There's a lot of wildlife in my neighborhood & I know that by removing trees & vegetation, spraying herbicide, & building concrete platforms will effect the environment in ways not addressed by the reports I have read. I love seeing the deer, squirrels, birds, & even the skunks – they are running out of safe havens as it is without this major disruptive plan. The noise & activity level for a project this size is horrendous – poles placed by helicopters? The homes in this neighborhood are too close for that kind of disruption.

Please consider a more detailed environmental impact report for this project. I don't see the necessity for more secure power lines here. I've only lost power twice in the 5 years I've lived here which did not significantly impact my lifestyle as power was restored within a few hours.

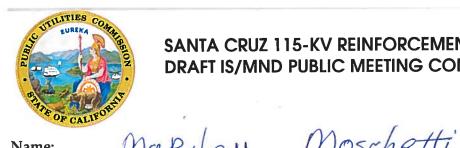
I love my neighborhood & enjoy the natural beauty of Day Valley Road that I travel everyday. There are some old & crooked poles which perhaps could be replaced in some areas but the magnitude of this project is of great concern to me.

Thank you for your consideration,

Manageret Pine And Angel Pune Angel Pine A

340 Quail Run

Aptos, CA 95003



SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT DRAFT IS/MND PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT

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Dear Ms. Orsaba:

Having reviewed the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration documents, in addition to attending the public hearing held on November 6, 2013 in Corralitos, California regarding the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kv Reinforcement Project by P G & E, I am completely shocked and absolutely horrified that this project will be allowed to move forward without a complete and thorough formal **Environmental Impact Report**.

The area in which I live is a serene rural residential and agricultural neighborhood, where some homes are side by side, and others spread over small acreage. Many have farming operations, albeit small, but non-the-less productive, and use organic methods of production. There are bee keepers, flower growers, and fruit and vegetables farmers, along with small animals being raised in our area.

In such a neighborhood, the community aesthetics are why we have all chosen to live here in the Aptos, Corralitos area. The wild life habitat, natural beauty and tree lined rural roads are all intact, and create an ambience of peacefulness.

However, the project that P G & E has suggested be placed in and around our neighborhood is over-kill. The project will cross acres of designated farmland, cause hundreds of heritage trees, including ancient oaks, madrone and eucalyptus, to be removed, changing the landscape forever.

As it is, the roads are **very narrow**, and placing these huge poles from the average 38 foot high, to 80, 90 and even 100 feet tall, would NOT allow the County of Santa Cruz to widen or **improve the roadway** in the future for the **safety** of our entire community. Why should we tolerate a 10 story tall metal pole, actually several of them, to obliterate the scenic road, and forever change the community values of our rural residential neighborhood? In fact, the proposal did not consider undergrounding this project in the report.

At the "public hearing" on November 6th, conducted by Panorama Environmental, Inc., there were NO QUESTIONS allowed, only "comments" could be made by attendees. There is no

formal Environmental Impact Report written (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15064), which could in fact find significant impacts in our neighborhood that could degrade the quality of the environment. Therefore, I demand that a complete Environmental Impact Report be implemented immediately.

Sincerely,

Marilou Moschetti

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Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740

San Francisco, California 94111 Fax: (650) 373-1211 santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E. I am a long-time resident (28 years) of one of the several neighborhoods that will be affected. In fact, there are any number of residents in these neighborhoods who have lived here for a very long time decades. We reamin here because it is a lovely place to live, with diversity of micro-climates allowing for various types of agriculture. We have forests of redwood and oaks, Monterey pines, laurels, etc. We have warm sunny hillsides and valleys with orchards and vineyards, wineries, nurseries and livestock. Within this area, a diversity of ecosystems allows for many species of birds [link to annual bird count http://santacruzbirdclub.org/Annual%20List%202013.html,] as well as covotes, deer, bobcats, cougars, etc.

In reading through your Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration, I am shocked and dismayed at the lack of serious concern to the effect on our environment by this proposed project. A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is called for, absolutely. The Draft Initial Study seems to take a cavalier attitude: "Based on the analysis in the IS, it has been determined that all project-related environmental impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level with the incorporation of feasible mitigation measures." Really?! 100 plus trees (unspecified) are going to be removed.

IS: "No evidence that implementing the proposed project would have any adverse affects on people." Nothing I have read in the reports mentions the considerable use of these areas for recreation and exercise, by residents and also by many non-residents who travel from other parts to use these lovely quiet "back roads" for scenic drives to the local wineries, for bicycling, jogging, walking, and hiking. Just this afternoon, a quiet Thursday, while walking with my dog for less than one hour, I passed 5 cyclists (not together), a jogger, two people walking dogs, and a young mother with a jogging stroller (occupied, of course!). No adverse affects?! Really?! We don't just live here. We use our neighborhoods streets and roads for much more than driving to and from home. The natural beauty of our neighborhoods is a tremendous community value!

I believe there are alternatives to the proposed locations of these massive poles and high voltage lines. Has PG&E considered other routes? We need a FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT! PG&E should be required to PROVE its claims that mitigation will reduce impact to insignificance.

I have many other concerns as well, but for the sake of brevity, I end here. I am certain that the proposed project by PG&E will drastically and permanently damage, and possible destroy the lovely community asset which is the DayValley/Cox/Freedom Blvd. and Corralitos area.

Sincerely,

Maripósa Kercheval
175 Merry Lane
Aptos, CA 95003

Please en ter my comments into the pertinent
records.

From: Mark Swindell

Sent:Wednesday, December 04, 2013 7:20 PMTo:Santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:115kV Reinforcement Project -- Aptos California

Mark Swindell 130 Casa Linda Lane, Aptos, CA 95003

December 4, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am a 22 year resident of the unicorporated Aptos/Corralitos area where the proposed 115kV Reinforcement Project is slated to by constructed. I am appalled that such a project is even being considered for our neighborhood. The negative aethetic and environmental impact will lower home values and decrease the quality of life upon each direction of my family's daily commute down McDonald Road, to and from home. There is no way this project should be allowed to be built without a thorough, unbiased environmental impact report. PG&E should not be allowed to railroad such a money-saving operation for themselves through our neighborhoods. There must be other viable options, the most environmentally and aesthetically friendly would be underground.

I respectfully request that the California Public Utilies Commission immediately order an unbiased study to find alternatives to this ill-advised project.

Thank you,

Mark Swindell

Martin J. Jackson 540 Hauer Apple Way Aptos, CA 95003

December 3, 2013

Ms. Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission % Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, Suite 740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Re: Santa Cruz 115 kv Reinforcement Project by PG&E

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

I live on 5+ acres overlooking the Day Valley. I am concerned the above mentioned project will significantly alter the the beauty of the natural landscape of our rural community. The project adversely effects residents, the environment and neighborhood aesthetics and should be subject to a complete and thorough Environmental Impact Report. PG\$E have sidestepped the EIR through a CEQA document for Mitigated Negative Declaration which is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. This project is in violation of the Santa Cruz County general plan, and I believe it will have a permanent negative effect on the Day Valley/Pleasant Valley area environment. There are many serious issues which have not been adequately addressed:

- Overall neighborhood aesthetics
- significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal which may include heritage trees
- disruption to native habitat and wildlife
- traffic and transportation impact
- noise, air and water pollution
- geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bicyclists and autos on this rural residential roadway
- hazards to residents during construction and permanent hazards later
- permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood

I am requesting a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that address the above concerns and addresses other options, including rerouting the power lines and /or undergrounding of these facilities. I request my concerns be entered into the permanent record of communications on the project.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Jackson
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From: mtbarker@gmail.com on behalf of Mason T Barker

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 8:41 PM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Project - Cox-Freedom Segment

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing to express my concerns about the above referenced project of which I have recently become aware.

Having lived at 315 McDonald Rd. for many years, I have been privileged to witness many of the reasons that this community has become one of the most desirable in the area. A sense of rural quiet and a respectful connection with nature is what draws people here. The aesthetics of the dense oak forests and golden, open fields lend a sense of calm that I believe has fostered admirable community values including community service, healthy outdoor activity and fruit and vegetable gardening.

The proposed 80-110 foot poles in this project threaten to irrevocably impact these values in a large way. This is not a matter of property values, but rather of community values- ones that I believe stand as a model for other communities across Santa Cruz County and beyond.

We as a society should be working to spread these values to those in other communities who desperately need them. The encroachment of this project on the natural environment that is the very seed of these values will only serve to dull the impact we may have on others.

I invite you to stop by our place at your convenience. Come taste our fresh organic produce, or enjoy a bike ride in the woods with us. I think you will enjoy it and come away with a renewed understanding of why these values are so important to the future of our society.

I urge you to please take the time to complete a full environmental impact report and seriously consider all possibly alternatives to this project.

Respectfully,

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MATTHEW KING

480 Quail Run* APTO5 * CA * 95003 * 831 688-3419

December 2, 2013

TO: Lisa Orsaba

California Public Utilities Commission

C/O Panorama Environmental, Inc.

From: Matthew King – 480 Quail Run, Aptos, CA 95003

Re: Proposed Santa Cruz 115 k V Reinforcement Project by PG & E

Fax#: 650 373-1211

Dear Lisa,

This memo is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG & E. I am very concerned about this project and the impact it will have on our rural community.

I have lived in the Day Valley area since 1964 and need you to know that this project adversely affects the residents of this ONE OF A KIND community in numerous ways:

- 1. The beautiful rural environment will be changed forever if this project breaks ground.
- The Neighborhood aesthetics will be altered.
- 3. Wildlife Habitats affected negatively.
- 4. Our community will never be it's beautiful, peaceful "self" ever again.

The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete, and contains numerous errors. The proposed plan is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and there is no doubt this project will have significant permanent negative effect on the Day Valley area environment. Here are just a few of the many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed:

- → Overall Neighborhood Aesthetics
- → Significant effect on our rural residential environment
- → Traffic and transportation impact
- → Geological and Soils disruptions
- → Hazards to Residents during project execution
- → Disruption of recreation in the neighborhood
- → Large Scale Tree Removal that may include Heritage trees
- → Disruption of the native habitat and wildlife
- → Noise, air, and water pollution
- → Safety concerns on our rural residential roadways
- Hazards to the neighborhood after project completion
- → Permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

I demand an unprejudiced, scientific, full and complet Environmental Impact Report that addresses all feasible alternatives, including all other routes and undergrounding of utilities. I request my concerns be entered into permanent record.

Sincetally, Matthew E King Maureen Brandi 15 Jessup St San Rafael, CA 94901

December 2, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

! grew up and spent my entire childhood on Cox Road in Aptos, California, where the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project is proposed, for thirty one years. I am greatly opposed to this project's location in our beautiful rural area for the following reasons:

IMPROPER NOTIFICATION: Our property is located the next parcel north of Leslie Lane, the demarcation where the project stops. We were not notified by Panorama Environmental, the PUC, or by PG&E of this project, yet our property and the quality of our lives will be greatly impacted by the construction process and the lasting degradation of our area. In addition to being able to see the mammoth poles from our home, we daily pass through the area encompassing the project as our major route of egress.

DEGRADATION OF HISTORICAL BEAUTY: Cox Road in Aptos was featured in the Sunset Magazine publication of "Back Roads of California". We are the chosen route of numerous bicycle and vintage car tours. The home next north of us is over 120 years old, known as the Larsen House (currently occupied by the Moya family.) It is a winding road through lovely hills and trees, frequented by many deer, birds, raccoons, coyotes and bunnies. People live and stay here to raise their families in this bucolic setting. The addition of these poles and wires will create a path of ugly blight in total opposition to the ethos of our neighborhood.

EARTHQUAKE HAZARDS: The proposed route of the 115-kV project is within three miles of the epicenter of the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake. Many of us lived through the devastation wrought in our area from this disaster which included the added hazard of toppled poles and the resulting dangling live wires. The prospect of having even higher poles in our sandy soil holding wires of much greater voltage is very frightening. This is a neighborhood where children live. We cannot add this additional risk to our community's safety.

DEVALUATION OF PROPERTY: Most residents have probably made their greatest financial investment to live in this bucolic yet expensive setting. Depending on proximity to these poles and high voltage wires, one appraiser has estimated that property could be devalued by as much as 10% which would result in the loss of tens of thousands of dollars to individual homeowners. This is a high price to pay for the totally unforeseen decision of others.

For all the above reasons, we request that the routing of this project be reconsidered. We would recommend the following:

- The project be routed through the more industrialized areas which do exist along the corridor OR
- 2) The wires be buried underground

Please do not degrade our home and our community.

Sincerely,

Mawrith Banel

Maureen Brandi

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Michael and Tanya Honig 550 Calle del Sol Aptos, CA. 95003

November 25, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission C/O Panorama Environmental. Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

We are writing to you concerning PG&E's proposed Santa Cruz 115-K-V Reinforcement Project. We implore you to require a full Environmental Impact Report for this project. The published C.E.Q.A. document is inaccurate and misleading and we strenuously object to the conclusion that "project related environmental impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level."

This is a semi-rural neighborhood that does not currently have 115-K-V transmission lines. We have included maps, triathlon cycling routes, and book excerpts that show the use of these roads for recreation (see attachments 1-5). This project would certainly impact our community values in a negative manner.

We have lived in this neighborhood for 30 years. The Cox Road, Day Valley Road, McDonald Road loop is a noted recreational destination for hikers, cyclists, birders, and nature lovers looking for a country road experience. To state "that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment" is fallacious. For hundreds of people, this is a locale for enjoying outdoor activities in nature. This project would adversely affect our community aesthetics.

Alternative routes to the Rob Roy substation certainly exist and should be included in a full Environmental Impact Report. At the very least, if this project is approved, the undergrounding of these lines should be the serious alternative.

PG&E has spent millions of dollars on a media blitz informing the public how much they care, attempting to alter public perception after their malfeasance in San Bruno. Perhaps this E.I.R. would give them a chance to prove that their efforts are not just lip service.

Please protect our scenic corridors. At the very least, require a full scientific environmental report.

Sincerely, Michael W. Danic Janya Honis Michael and Tanya Honig

Attachments: 1-5

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A Sunset Pictorial

BACK ROADS of California

Selected trips off the beaten track, with sketches, maps and notes by EARL THOLLANDER

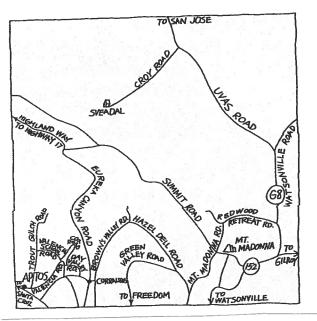




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Santa Cruz Mountain Side Roads





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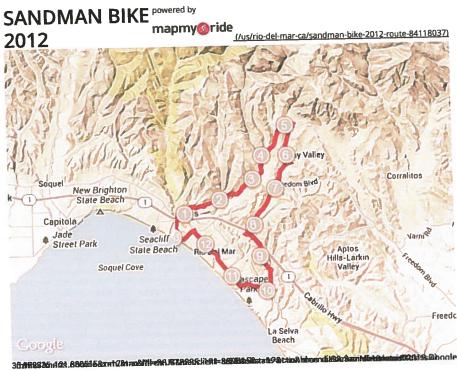
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Susanne Heim

From: Monica Meyer

Sent:Tuesday, December 03, 2013 3:46 PMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I live in Aptos in Santa Cruz County, California, where the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project is proposed.

I am concerned that PG&E's proposed project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my community. I chose to live in a rural environment and believe that the proposed project will contribute to the further urbanization of my neighborhood.

This project adversely affects the residents, environment, aesthetics, habitats, and community values of the area. The determination that a mitigated negative declaration was the appropriate CEQA document, based in part on the PEA, allowed this proposed project to sidestep a full Environment Impact Report.

I disagree with the Draft IS/MND, which concludes, "that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment." Therefore, I request that the California Public Utilities Commission order an unprejudiced, scientific, official Environmental Impact Review to include the assessment of all feasible alternatives for this project, including all other routes and undergrounding.

Sincerely,

-Monica Meyer 31 Oak Tree Lane Aptos CA 95003 Nancy Mauro Bensen 2129 Cox Road Aptos, California 95003

November 30, 2013

Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc.
1 Embarcadero Center, #740
San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Lisa Orsaba:

My name is Nancy Mauro Bensen and I have lived in the Day Valley area for 36 years. This letter is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E, which adversely affects the safety of residents, environment, neighborhood aesthetics, wildlife habitats, and our community values.

Due to the serious safety issues associated the PG&E"s proposed project, I request that if the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project moves forward as planned, the California Public Utilities Commission ensures that PG&E and responsible parties do the following: (1) widen Cox Road, Day Valley Road, and MacDonald Road to a safe width to provide shoulders for pedestrians and bicyclists, (2) repair the water ditch in front of 2100 and 2111 Cox Road, which is eroding around a PG&E guy wire, (3) create a safe public school bus stop at the end of Cox Road and Day Valley Road for our children, (4) extend the foot path bordering Freedom Blvd from Valencia Road to the public bus stop at the intersection of Freedom Blvd and MacDonald Road, (5) place all remaining poles at a safe distance from the road to prevent automobile and motorcycle collisions with poles, (6) avoid eminent domain by relocating the proposed 4 foot diameter steel pole at 320 McDonald Road to the south side of freedom Boulevard to keep lines in the public street easement, (7) PG&E needs to be held accountable for a fair compensation package to land owners for property taken by eminent domain. Each property owner should be made whole on an individual basis. They should be given fair market price for their land that is confiscated and their landscaping, parking place, etc., should be replaced at PG&E's expense. (8) for public safety, environmental issues, and community values consider placing all PG&E 115kV and 22-kV lines, and facilities underground.

I am concerned that PG&E's proposed project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of the Day Valley area. I chose to live in a rural environment to be close to nature. I believe that the proposed project will be a part of a process of urbanizing a rural area. I disagree with the mitigated negative declaration conclusion of the CEQA. The CEQA, like the PEA, is riddled with errors and carelessly assigned statistical terms without proof other than because they said it is true. For example the CEQA states, "the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment." This project adversely affects the residents, local environment, aesthetic, habitats and properties of the area, both during construction and for generations to

come. The erroneous conclusion of the PEA and the CEQA mitigated negative declaration and the many errors in the two documents has allowed this proposed project to side step an Environment Impact Report.

Due to the concerns raised in this letter, I request that the California Public Utilities Commission order an unprejudiced, scientific, official Environmental Impact Review to include the assessment of all feasible alternative power line routes for this project, including the option of undergrounding utilities. We want traffic studies completed for affected roads in Watsonville, Aptos, and Santa Cruz, California for Cox Road, Day Valley Road, McDonald Road, and Freedom Boulevard route. The residents of Cox Road, Day Valley Road, McDonald Road, and Freedom Boulevard deserve to know all alternative routes that were considered and why this route was chosen above all other routes. Please see the attached document for information on safety concerns, neighborhood aesthetics, and a detailed description of several significant issues that were misrepresented in the CEQA. I request that my concerns be entered into the permanent record.

Sincerely,

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Nancy Mauro Bensen

2129 Cox Road

Aptos, California 95003

ATTACHMENT:

Safety concerns regarding Cox Road Cox Road, Day Valley, MacDonald Road, and Freedom Blvd currently do not have 115-kV lines. They are narrow country roads and were designed and planned for 22-kV distribution power lines with a 10 foot easement not the 40-60 foot easements that accompany 115-kV lines on the Northern Alignment or the Southern Alignment. Cox Road, Day Valley Road, MacDonald Road, and Freedom Blvd are substandard roadways for the people that live here and building a project of this magnitude exacerbates the problems that we deal with every day. Our roads do not have adequate shoulders for pedestrians, we do not have bike lanes for bicyclists, and existing distribution lines and wood power poles are dangerously located on the edge of the narrow roadways and many are against a steep bank. There are places on Cox Road where the northbound and southbound lane is only 9 feet wide. Pedestrians have to jump into a ditch or onto a steep bank out of the way of oncoming cars. The water ditch in front of 2111 Cox Road is eroding around a PG&E guy wire and causing the ditch to fill up with dirt in front of 2100 Cox Road. There have been three serious car accidents on Cox Road in the proposed area, numerous car verses bicycle accidents, and two separate incidents where children were hit and killed by a car in our neighborhood. Furthermore, the proposed 100 foot wood and series of 4 foot diameter steel poles prevent future widening of Cox Road and future improvements of the road, including bike lanes, a safe shoulder to walk, and a bus stop for our children to wait for the school bus. Cox Road, Day Valley Road, MacDonald Road, and Freedom Blvd need to be upgraded to insure the health and safety of the people that live in the area. The 85-100 foot poles that are proposed to replace the 45 foot wood poles need to be placed at a safe distance from oncoming traffic. Existing poles also need to be placed at a safe distance from the road to prevent automobile collisions with poles.

Neighborhood aesthetics This project will make our rural residential area look like San Jose without the infrastructure needed to serve residents of the area. Massive 85-100 foot tall wood and 4 foot in diameter tubular steel poles will be a visual eyesore and does not belong in a rural residential area. The project will change the look of our neighborhood significantly due to the number of trees and vegetation that will need to be removed. About a year ago, PG&E started cutting trees and vegetation in our neighborhood. It resulted in removing so many trees that we now can see the 115-kV poles from a third of a mile away. PG&E volunteered to cut several Monterey pines down for our neighbors and left the 20 to 30 foot tree trunks. The trees are totally dead now and our friends are left with the expense of removing the remaining tree trunks with a crane and bucket truck. According to the CEQA, 100 more trees are going to be eradicated in the our neighborhood. Cutting 100 more trees is unacceptable. We do not want to see the natural beauty along our roadways further destroyed by PG&E. The CEQA is just another document like the PEA that is rubber stamping this project. Its going to leave the people that live on Cox Road, Day Valley Road, MacDonald Road, and Freedom Blvd with sub standard roads and with the blight of huge towering 4 foot diameter poles and 115-kV lines weaving back and forth with 22kV lines. The Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project as proposed in the Day Valley corridor will create a visual blight and will destroy the wooded rural area that we now enjoy.

Errors in CEQA Document

I am incensed that our community members are supposed to fix the many errors in the document so that the CEQA document can be completed, conclude another mitigated negative declaration, and pass the document on to the commissioners on the CPUC for review and approval. Some of the many errors include the following:

- (1) Figure 3.1012:KOP#6: Day Valley Road/Cox Road simulation of the wood pole carrying the 115-kV lines is actually twice the height of the distribution pole pictured, and the 4-foot diameter 100-foot steel pole will be 20 feet up on the bank and will be over twice the height of the 45-foot distribution pole pictured.
- (2) 3.1-9: The CEQA states "Primary viewers in the Cox-Freedom Landscape Unit are motorists on Freedom Boulevard and local roadways." Primary viewers also include the residents in their homes. For instance, I can't see the existing 22-kV lines from my home, but I will see the new proposed 115-kV lines above the tree line.
- (3) 3.1-30: The CEQA states that the Rob Roy substation is "completely visually shielded from drivers on Freedom Boulevard and from nearby residences by vegetation and topography." "Expansion of the substation and installation of new TSPs is not visible to these observers. Therefore, impacts to visual character of the area is not significant." This is an erroneous statement. The Rob Roy substation is not shielded by trees and physical features of the area and is in perfect view to everyone passing by in cars and by the people who live close by.
- (4) 3.12-18 The CEQA states "that Noise from periodic aircraft operations would be largely masked by the noise of construction equipment, and the impact would be less than significant." This is a preposterous statement. I liken this reasoning to my son playing drums upstairs and me turning my boom box up as high as it goes to mask the noise of my son's drum playing. One noise does not cancel out another.
- (5) Table 3.16-2 on page 3.16-3 and 3.16-4: The functional classifications of the roadways are incorrect. At least 12 of the roadways out of 46 are classified incorrectly.

Susanne Heim

From: Patricia Fischer

Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 3:21 PM

To: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: proposed project on Pleasant Valley Road Aptos, CA

Lisa Orsaba,

I am writing to express my disapproval of the proposed power lines and helipad on Pleasant Valley Road, Aptos, California. The size, shape and placement of the towers would destroy the natural beauty and skyline of this valley. The environmental impact of these huge towers would be devastating to our ecosystem and property values. The noise and carbon emissions from the helipad would echo down this valley like a war zone. Whoever designed this project has no consideration for the residents of Pleasant Valley and the land involved. They obviously don't live here and probably have never been here to see the damage that would be done. There have been no open forums or public discussions in this matter.

I have lived on Pleasant Valley Road in Aptos, California since 1964. It is heartbreaking to imagine the destruction this project would cause to such a beautiful and unique bio system.

I VEHEMENTLY OPPOSE THIS PROJECT!!

Elizabeth A. Fischer Dec. 6, 2013

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Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is a response to the proposed Cox-Freedom Segment of the Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete, and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and will have a significant effect on the Cox Road / Day Valley Road area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed in the Mitigated Negative Declaration report:

- permanent negative impact on overall neighborhood aesthetics and our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal that will include huge heritage trees
- a significant narrowing of the safety zone along existing roadways and residential properties
- soils disruption that may never recover

This area is undisturbed in its environment and aesthetics. This power line project is not a modification of existing pole, but a monstrous addition. The segments indicated in Maps 7-11 of the publication are areas that currently have no streets lights, no curbs, no sidewalks, and no shoulder areas on the roadways. Much of the roadways are historic easements on private property. By placing these huge power poles and lines in this area, it becomes a "high tension line corridor" and not a rural/residential street. There are no County rights of way to be taken or donated for this project. Road safety will be lost and trees that are removed will create a huge open swath.

The County General Plan restricts development in this area to preserve the environment the way it is. This power corridor is completely outside of the restrictions in place for this area.

I strongly request a full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all alternative routes and undergrounding of these utility lines in this sensitive and protected area.

Respectfully yours,

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Owner: 105-161-21 and 105-161-40

Peter K. Pearson 530 McDonald Road Aptos, CA 95003 ppearson@spamcop.net

December 2, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission 1 Embarcadero Center #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

I am concerned that PG&E's Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project might harm the sylvan atmosphere of our community more than should be allowed without a reasonably careful environmental review. PG&E estimates (Data Request # 1 and Response) that 150 trees will be removed, "the majority" of which will be along the Cox-Freedom segment. That's a lot of trees over a short distance. Since I can't pretend to have the expertise to evaluate the tradeoffs between local aesthetics and our broader society's interest in economic efficiency, I'm counting on the CPUC to ensure that enough thought gets spent on this question.

Sincerely,

Peter K. Pearson

Peter Carr 403 Quail Run Aptos, CA 95003

December 2, 2013

Fax 650-373-1211 Lisa Orsaba Panorama Environmental, Inc. 11 Embarcadero Center #470 San Francisco, CA 9411

Hello.

I would like to comment on the planned Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project as proposed by PG&E in Application No. A.12-01-012

First, it is a major project which impacts significant acreage. Both immediate and long term impacts should be reviewed. It should merit a full Environmental Review. The proposal involves cutting approximately 165 trees and clearing 46 acres which appear to be in mature, natural habitat. Long term the project proposes significant use of herbicides.

Second, the community to be impacted both in the short term and the long term has not been adequately notified. Publicized meetings should be held. Information on the proposal should be distributed to local media. The exact citing of the large concrete pedestals and steel poles should be clearly communicated. Communication to the public has been inadequate.

Third, consideration for the rural and aesthetic nature of the area is lacking. These 79-86 TSPs up to 105' tall are more appropriate to an industrial area. It appears that proposed visual mitigation was dropped because it was deemed to be ineffective. The potential for eminent domain was mentioned and should be clarified and clearly communicated.. View shed is a significant California value and it has not been adequately addressed. The alternative of undergrounding the transmission lines should be examined in depth.

Forth, the rationale for needing this project is not developed and alternatives need to be considered. Specifically planning for the future should include the potential for distributed power generation.

Thank you for considering these issues.

Sincerely,

Peter Carr

1776 Cox Road Aptos CA 95003 Nov 21, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Madam:

My family and I have lived on Cox Road in Aptos for over 31 years. We moved here because we liked the beautiful peaceful rural setting. We moved into a quiet neighborhood; an ideal setting to raise our small children.

I was greatly alarmed by the news of the proposed PG&E 115KV project. All indications are that this will be an industrial type configuration, with four foot diameter steel poles 100 feet high. This massive equipment is appropriate for an industrial setting such as a shipyard, not a rural neighborhood with narrow country lanes. Besides the aesthetic considerations, I believe that these huge power poles will prove to be significant hazards in the event of a major earthquake such as the one which occurred on Oct 17, 1989.

For many homeowners, their homes are their largest investments, slowly paid for with thirty year mortgages. The market value of these homes will certainly be reduced by the introduction of this huge industrial power system into the rural neighborhoods. How much will the value of a home decrease once there is a 100 foot steel pole carrying a 115 KV line placed in the middle of the front lawn? Who knows for certain, but surely everyone would agree that the homeowner has suffered significant financial damage, while receiving no benefit from the industrial monstrosity imposed by PG&E.

The deceptive secretive rollout of the project suggests that even PG&E was well aware that they were doing something of a shameful nature. There are significant aesthetic, safety, and financial reasons to redesign this project. The power lines could be routed so their impact would be minimized, or the power lines could be buried. I urge the California Public Utilities Commission to consider the negative impacts of the PG&E 115KV project on the rural Aptos neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

Rassl & Suffer Ralph B. Griffin December 2, 2013

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, Suite #740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am concerned that the long-term effects of this project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my rural community. This project adversely affects the Corralitos Road scenic corridor, officially designated in the Santa Cruz County General Plan. In particular the project affects the viewsheds to the west of Corralitos Road where the poles climb a ridgeline that reaches 160 feet above the valley floor. One hundred foot poles on the top of the ridge will have a permanent and negative effect on community aesthetic values as defined in the General Plan that was not addressed in the published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration.

In fact the CEQA is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors to include consideration of overall neighborhood aesthetics, and significant and permanent negative impact on our rural residential environment. Therefore, I demand an unprejudiced, scientific, full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all feasible alternatives including all other routes and undergrounding of utilities. I request my concerns be entered into the permanent record.

Sincerely,

Ralph M. Carney

Lisa Orsaba
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Dear Ms. Orsaba:

We are writing you to express our concern about PG&E's proposed Santa Cruz 115-K-V Reinforcement Project. We strongly disagree with the C.E.Q.A. conclusion that the project's "environmental impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level".

This project would have a significantly negative impact on our neighborhood, affecting not only us but hundreds of our neighbors. We have lived here since 1976, and most of our neighbors have been here as long if not longer. Hardly anyone ever moves away because the Day Valley area is such an ideal place to live. Every day you will find numerous hikers, and cyclists enjoying the beauty and nature of our neighborhood. The addition of 100 foot power poles and lines running through the valley would severely affect the aesthetics of our beautiful neighborhood.

We are strongly believe that a full E.I.R. should be required so that all alternatives to the current plans can be considered, including possible alternative routes or running the power lines underground.

Please help keep our neighborhood the wonderful scenic place that it currently is. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Randall and Susan Naess

Susanne Heim

From: Rex Boyes

Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 3:05 PM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: Proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E

Lisa Orsaba

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Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am concerned this project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my rural community. This project adversely affects all Day Valley area residents, a beautiful rural environment, neighborhood aesthetics, wildlife habitats, and our community values. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant permanent negative effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed:

- overall neighborhood aesthetics
- significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees
- disruption to the native habitat and wildlife
- traffic and transportation impact
- noise, air and water pollution
- geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bicyclists and automobiles on this rural residential roadway
- hazards to residents while the project is being executed and permanent hazards to the neighborhood upon completion
- disruption of recreation in the neighborhood
- permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

I demand an unprejudiced, scientific, full and complete Environmental Impact Report that addresses all feasible alternatives including all other routes and undergrounding of utilities. I request my concerns be entered into the permanent record.

Sincerely,

Rex Boyes 2100 Cox Rd. Aptos, CA 95003 Name ichard & Besser MIN Address: 137 Chapapapallo

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Dear Ms. Orsaba.

I live in Santa Cruz County, California, where the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project is proposed. I am concerned that PG&E's proposed project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my community. I chose to live in a rural environment and believe that the proposed project will contribute to the further urbanization of my neighborhood. This project adversely affects the residents, environment, aesthetics, habitats, and community values of the area. The determination that a mitigated negative declaration was the appropriate CEQA document, based in part on the PEA, allowed this proposed project to sidestep a full Environment Impact Report. I disagree with the Draft IS/MND, which concludes, "that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment."

Therefore, I request that the California Public Utilities Commission order an unprejudiced, scientific, official Environmental Impact Review to include the assessment of all feasible alternatives for this project, including all other routes and undergrounding. CONSINA BURYING The utilities As are of place brookstreetare githin & mito of my home!

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December 3, 2013

Richard and Karen Chalgren 411 Quail Run Aptos, CA 95003Address

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental, Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

We are writing to express our concerns regarding the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E. We are residents of one of the several neighborhoods that will be affected. There are any numbers of residents in these neighborhoods who have lived here for a very long time. We continue to be amazed at meeting neighbors who have also been in the area for decades. This is because it is a lovely place to live, with diversity of micro-climates allowing for various types of agriculture. We have forests of redwood and oaks, warm sunny hillsides and valleys for orchards and vineyards, nurseries and livestock. Within this area there is a diversity of ecosystems allowing for so many species of birds, coyotes, deer, bobcats, cougars and more

I believe there are alternatives to the proposed locations of these massive poles and high voltage lines. Has PG&E considered other routes? Shouldn't the residents be informed why our area is being targeted, especially the section of Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald Roads and Freedom Blvd, which do not have already existing 115-kV power lines?

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I have other concerns; the permanent negative change in the neighborhood aesthetics, the impact on community values and safety. We need a FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT! PG&E should PROVE its claims that mitigation will reduce impact to insignificance. And, yes, aesthetics do matter.

Sincerely,

Richard and Karen Chalgren

FAX TO 650 373-1211 12/3/13

Name:

RICK ULRICK

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City: APTOS

12/3/13 Date

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Sincerely,

R. V. Ulielo

Lisa Orsaba California Public Utilities Commission c/o Panorama Environmental. Inc. 1 Embarcadero Center, #740 San Francisco, California 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I do not believe that my original letter to the CPUC has been adequately addressed (attached). I believe that it is essential that you or someone from your staff sit down with me at my computer or ride around in a vehicle to determine the facts. Of the three ROW realignments cited as being necessary on the Southern Alignment, two apply directly to the Day Valley alignment but are not mentioned (poles too close to homes and the road). The third cites underground utilities (a gas line). I do not see why a lack of foresight and planning on PG&E's part should be used as an excuse to defile my neighborhood. The PEA is not objective or factual, a full EIR is essential.

I look forward to hearing from you, Richard Ulrick

R V Vlich

California Public Utilities Commission Docket Office 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2001 San Francisco, California 94102

Re: Santa Cruz 115KV Reinforcement Project Application Number: A. 12-01-012

Dear CPUC,

As a property owner on Day Valley Road, I find the PG&E PEA for this project to be very contrived. It would seem that the proponent has dipped into baskets of platitudes from previous PEA's to provide supporting statements for the route they prefer and negative statements for the routes they do not. The Southern Alignment Alternative is by far the best choice but for what ever real reason they have rejected it. Many of the arguments rejecting this alternative can be stated for the Cox, Day Valley, McDonald (CDVM) alternative but were not. The chance of automobile collisions with power poles is cited as a negative along Amesti Road from approximately 0.1 mile south of Beneich Lane to approximately 0.1 mile south of Hawthorne Avenue. This is approximately 2100 feet in length and located along agricultural fields where a relocation would be simple and inexpensive. The CDVM alternative on the other hand is one mile long with power poles in close proximity to the edge of the roads along their entire length. There are approximately 55 home owners along this segment who will resist having the power lines moved closer to their homes. The second example is the realignment for the ROW running through backyards between Calabasas Road and a private driveway approximately 0.3 mile north of Buena Vista Drive. There are approximately ten homes impacted here and perhaps five more along Amesti Road with the same concerns. Remember that this route is currently occupied by a 115KV line that existed when most of these home owners purchased their homes, thus the purchase price reflects the negative impact of high power lines near by. The CDVM route has no existing 115KV line, only a 6KV local distribution line, and approximately 16 homes within 75 feet of the proposed 115KV line. If this is too close in Freedom it is too close in Day Valley and PG&E is not proposing that the existing Southern Alignment be moved for these reasons. An hour or two with Google Earth and Bing Maps can verify my allegations here. I find the argument that adding three wires to the existing ROW over the southern end of Pinto Lake to be specious. This is a public park and lake and the public has the option of visiting the lake with its' wires or not. That is not the case along the residential streets of Day Valley where property values will be negatively impacted.

I cannot judge the environmental impact of the Southern Alternative but after evaluating the areas that I can judge, I would not be surprised if they were equally contrived. The Southern Alternative is a current 115KV line and is maintained as necessary by PG&E. It was constructed long before there was any knowledge of the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander (*Ambystoma macrodactylum croceum*) or the robust spineflower (*Chorizanthe robusta robusta*) and yet they survived. With current knowledge, construction practices and timing could easily be adjusted to minimize any impact. I do not understand the statement that significant additional tree removal would be required since this an existing 115KV ROW and should result in fewer poles with the use of stronger TSP's. The cables themselves are normally pulled through rollers on each tower and will not effect the vegetation below in any way. The crossing of Aptos High School is also specious. Again this is an existing 115KV ROW and PG&E is not proposing its' removal. The Valencia Hall and the Valencia General Store were cited in the

rejection of another proposed alternative, yet these buildings are reconstructions with no permanent inhabitants and would not be affected in any way unless a TSP was planted directly adjacent. I do not know why the CDVM route was chosen or whether cost or expediency were factors, but I do believe that the factors involved are not accurately portrayed in this PEA.

Sincerely,

Richard V. Ulrick 830 Day Valley Road Aptos, California 95003

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The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) filed an application with PG&E for a Permit to Construct the Santa Cruz 115-kilovolt (kV) Reinforcement Project. In doing so, the application had to be in Compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as amended. When examining a project that is not exempt from CEQA, the Lead Agency (CPUC) prepares an Initial Study (IS) to determine whether the project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment. If no potential significant effects are identified, a negative declaration is prepared (Section 21080(c)). A mitigated negative declaration is called for if there are potential effects, but these can be mitigated to a level of insignificance (Section 21064.5). In the case of this project, Panorama Environmental Incorporated, retained by PG&E, conducted the IS and declared that this project to have a Mitigated Negative Declaration as according to Article 6 and Section 15070 of the CEQA Guidelines.

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Thank You,

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Robert Gleaton. November 16, 2013. 1703 Cox Road. Aptos, California.

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Thank You Karrin Gleaton/1703 - Cax Rd. Aptos 95003

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Sincerely, Robert of Halderman I have lived in Cornalitos for 22 years and walk under the existing power lines many times a week. I have always wondered whey P6 & E did not peut these lines underground in the original installation. Looking to the feture for many generations, underground wires would remove the existing "exposed" wires from view, Be much safer, and last much longer. Please consider this option?

RJH

Susanne Heim

From: Robin West

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 1:04 PM

To: Lisa Orsaba

Subject: Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Project

Please consider having an EIR on this project. PGE should not be allowed to proceed without one. This project can have a detrimental impact on this area. It could hamper any road widening in the future. It is inconsistent with Santa Cruz County General Plan. No alternative construction such as underground utilities were considered. The history of PGE shows that often them move in prior to understanding the environment and the local citizens then have to pay for PGE's mistakes.

This project must have an EIR.

Robin West



RONALD J. MORRIS, D.D.S.

ORTHODONTICS

Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics

Dear Ms. Orsaba.

Nov. 23, 2013

This letter is to record my personal protest regarding the Santa Cruz 115-kv power line proposal for Cox-Freedom Rds and the Rob Roy Substation.

My home is at the intersection of McDonald Road and Day Valley Road. I am a 25 year resident of Day Valley. The valley views and rural setting are what make the area a desirable and beautiful place to live.

As a resident I was very pleased to see that PG&E recently cleaned up their poles and the tangled power lines along McDonald Rd and Freedom Blvd. The existing power poles are unsightly, but that's the way it has always been, and their height is camouflaged by many of the trees in the area. The proposal states that these existing poles average 39 feet in height. The proposed replacements are over twice as tall, with additional larger poles averaging 98 feet! NO!

This is not open country, farmland or some established power corridor. These are residential roads, lined with homes. No one should have the right, without permission, to put up a 4 foot diameter, 98 foot tall power pole in my front yard. They will be taller than almost all of the trees! It will aesthetically offend the beautiful views that we have enjoyed for all these years, and to my mind, diminish our community value. This must not happen.

Some of my primary questions are: Why is this being proposed? Why do we need a new power line? Who will it serve? Why is it being routed through a residential area? Wouldn't a less impactful route be down Freedom Boulevard? Why not up Highway 1?

Secondarily: Has local input really been considered? Please tell me how many local residents are in favor of the project? This is our county, this is our community and we should have the right to protect our properties from intrusion and devaluation by PG&E. I request a full Environmental and Aesthetic Impact Report be done.

If the project is of vital importance, and truly necessary, put the power lines under ground. Rule 20A says that the cost of such a project can be recovered by PG&E through electric rates. I would much rather have my rates increase than have 98 foot power poles in my neighborhood.

I do not see how the California Public Utilities Commission can allow such a project to proceed. Please solicit the opinion of every property owner along the proposed route. You will find overwhelming opposition to the defacement proposed for Day Valley.

I plead for a denial of the proposed power line. At the very least, if it must go through, please place it under ground.

Thank you,

Ronald J Morris DDS

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Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am concerned this project will significantly alter the beauty of the natural landscape of my rural community. This project adversely affects residents, environment, neighborhood aesthetics, wildlife habitats, and our community values. The published California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is inaccurate, incomplete and contains multiple factual errors. The proposed project is in direct violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and it is my belief this project will have a significant permanent negative effect on the Day Valley area environment. There are many serious issues that have not been adequately addressed;

- over all neighborhood aesthetics
- · significant and permanent effect on our rural residential environment
- large scale tree removal that may include heritage trees
- disruption to the native habitat and wildlife
- traffic and transportation impact
- noise, air and water pollution
- geologic and soils disruption
- safety concerns for pedestrians, school students, bicyclists and automobiles on this rural residential road way
- hazards to residents while the project is being executed and permanent hazards to the neighborhood upon completion
- disruption of recreation in the neighborhood
- permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values

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Sincerely,
Rosalyn Hilbert

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Owners of property at 1975 Cox Road, Aptos, CA 95003 Currently leased

November 28, 2013

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Dear Ms. Orsaba:

We have just recently discovered that the proposed PGE 115 kV Reinforcement project will have an enormous impact environmentally, aesthetically, and economically on residential and agricultural properties in a beautiful neighborhood that is known for its quiet, bucolic, peaceful ambience. As owners, we were under the impression that this project was merely maintenance, and it has been promoted as such. This is not merely maintenance—it is a huge development project encompassing more than seven miles of replacement of wooden poles with massive steel poles and the installation of four-foot concrete bases. Our property and its organic status at 1975 Cox Road will be devastated by an urban invasion of concrete and steel, massive desecration of flora and fauna, and destruction of carefully tended gardens. This project will contaminate our pristine environment.

Clearly, we did not receive notices that defined a project such as this! PGE is moving forward without a formal EIR, which is needed to mitigate a project of this magnitude. Because our property looks like "ground zero" for your work, and it is located in the middle of the Day Valley neighborhood, we are absolutely astonished that PGE has not considered this to be a rural neighborhood, and instead, is marching forward as though this area is located in downtown LA or New York City!

With such far-reaching implications as this project, a formal EIR is REQUIRED when the IMPACTS on the environment:

- 1) will destroy species,
- 2) remove "heritage trees",
- 3) will not follow the General Plan of our County on grading and development,
- 4) will damage precious farm land,
- 5) do not include consideration of the local Water Company and its pipelines
- 6) do not consider the multiple variations in easements including but not limited to surveyed width, depth, and stated right on each unique property
- 7) do not consider alternatives, such as undergrounding
- 8) do not consider the future when roads may be widened, etc.
- 9) do not have completed engineering drawings, and are still pressing forward!

Please do not move forward on a project that has not fully studied the final result! At the very least, we demand a formal Environmental Impact Report. This is NOT the City—this is a lovely, rural neighborhood. Let's keep it that way.

Very truly yours,

Rose Marie McNair

Peter Trenton McNair

Linda E. McNair

cc: County of Santa Cruz Board of Supervisors

cc: CA Assemblymember Mark Stonecc: CA State Senator Bill Monning



SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT DRAFT IS/MND PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT

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December 1, 2013

Ruth Barker 315 McDonald Rd Aptos, CA 95003

Lisa Orsaba
California Public Utilities Commission
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1 Embarcadero Center, Suite #740
San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

I object to PG&E's proposed plan for the Santa Cruz 115kv Reinforcement Project, Cox-Freedom segment. PG&E plans to build their project through my beautiful rural Day Valley neighborhood. This is just wrong! My neighbors and I have chosen to live here because of the many advantages a rural neighborhood has to offer. Daily we enjoy beautiful pastoral settings with deer grazing, forested landscapes with large old trees that provide homes for birds, squirrels, insects, banana slugs, salamanders and the dusky footed woodrat thus allowing us the overall sense of being close to nature. We have homes and yards which are creatively disguised and protected by lovely forested growth which starts at the road. As you must know the areas arboreal creatures are very sensitive to timber removal because it both eliminates habitat and creates barriers to dispersal. (Abstract by Andrew B. Carey 1991, USDA Forest Service). Removal of more than 100 trees and destruction of the Day Valley landscape would be a shameful insult to our precious and beautiful rural ecosystem and environment.

My home was built in 1937 and is the second oldest home in Day Valley, it is a darling gem that everyone in the neighborhood knows. Often neighbors comment how sweet it is with the lovely old Cypress tree towering over the front yard. This project threatens the loss of my lovely old tree and its many inhabitants because the existing PG&E pole will be replaced by a giant pole (taller than 6 of my houses on top of each other) that will be likely relocated in my front yard even possibly next to my porch. The new pole will hold high tension wires towering over my sweet little old home! This will no longer be an old neighborhood gem for all to enjoy as they pass by but a neighborhood eye sore. This is not right!

I am extremely concerned that PG&E can so easily change the lovely character of our neighborhood. They can come through Day Valley with a massive eye sore project, providing very little communication to the residents with a process that is clearly stacked in their favor and that minimizes the neighborhoods community values, aesthetics, environment and the community members input. This project does not belong in the Day Valley neighborhood. I believe this project represents a gross in justice to the Day Valley community and seriously risks permanently changing our idyllic rural neighborhood into a deforested landscape dominated by giant poles and wires that tower over the tree line in every direction one my look! I implore you do not do this to Day Valley!

PG&E must be required to complete a full Environmental Impact Report and all alternatives must be sincerely considered.

Sincerely Yours,

Puth Barker

Ruth Barker

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Susanne Heim

From: Seth Cohen

Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 4:06 PM

To: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Cc: kimberly@quonundrums.com

Subject: Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project

Lisa Orsaba CPUC c/o Panorama One Embarcadero Center, Suite 740 San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

We are residents and small business owners in Santa Cruz County, California who live in the vicinity of the
proposed Santa Cruz 115kV Reinforcement Project. We are aware that the area population has grown and
demand on the electrical system's capacity and reliability needs to be upgraded. We are in favor of projects that
provide a reliable power infrastructure to our area and county.

However, we are concerned about PG&E's proposed project for a couple of reasons:

- First, this project travels a rural area known for its landscape. The proposed designs do not take any aesthetics into consideration, but rather install industrial poles of close to 100 feet throughout the countryside, which does not match with the natural geography at all. While the current wooden poles are not particularly pretty, increasing their height by double in some cases, and increasing the number will further add to the blight of lines in the area. This needs to be addressed to bring the development plan more in-line with the community it is being built across.
- We operate a business from our property in Day Valley. The noise from helicopters and other machinery operating between 7am to 5pm 6 days a week will have a *significant impact* on our ability to conduct work in a normal manner and our ability to have peaceful enjoyment of our property. We can attest to this as people who run a business from home in the area, and have lived next to a home under construction for the past year. The notion that flying helicopters throughout this valley will have less than significant impact is laughable.

The determination that a mitigated <u>negative</u> declaration was the appropriate CEQA document, based in part of the PEA, allowed this proposed project to sidestep a full Environmental Impact report. We disagree with the Draft IS/MND, which concludes that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment.

Please add our voices to those who have previously objected to this project moving forward without additional review.

Sincerely,

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From: Sharon Lucchesi <sharonlucchesi@yahoo.com> **Date:** November 7, 2013 at 7:23:49 AM PST

To: "santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com"

<santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com>, "zach.friend@co.santa-cruz.ca.us"

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Subject: Comments

Reply-To: Sharon Lucchesi <sharonlucchesi@yahoo.com>

I, Sharon A. Lucchesi, R.N. and 27 year resident of the Day Valley Cox Rd. area, and shocked and saddened by the attempts of PG&E to destroy my home with the SC115ky project. Shame on you PG&E. Here are just some of my concerns:

No EIR No seismic evaluation No geographical evaluation

wires...vou are taking away my right to enjoy my land and my valley. EMF's...we are all biochemical beings...EMF's ARE a danger to our health, SOME people become very ill, and for some it is a "slow kill"

Esthetics, when I look out my window now, instead of seeing a pristine valley and tree view I will see ugly Godzilla like poles and numerous

process. Were options for more non-populated areas explored? I didn't hear

anything about that.

there is nothing you can do about it because we are a huge corporation with deep pockets and you are out of luck"...20 ft? 30 ft...even 10 ft would make a huge impact on my lifestyle...

Eminent domain, just another word for "we're going to take your land and

Our valley is historical, quiet. We live here because we enjoy TREES, and VIEWS, and rural settings, this project would DESTROY our reasons for living here AND decrease the value of our land/homes.

15 months? No doubt more than that...helicopters flying overhead, traffic interruptions on an already busy country roadway. The ability to work any day PG&E desires...

The meeting was really very frustrating, the moderators were there only to offer their impression of the project and what it will look like. When a question was asked, we were referred to the 500 page study. The photo examples were of little use, they did not show tree removal (atrocious), not did it show the giant metal monstrosity that will be placed smack dab at the end on Cox Rd. on Day Valley...

I am hoping with all my might, that someone, somewhere, will take these comments into deep consideration...My hope is that PG&E will find an alternative way to obtain their goal without negatively impacting so many good citizens of Day Valley/Cox Rd...

Respectfully,

Sharon A. Lucchesi 1805 Leslie Lane Aptos, CA. 95003

cc: Zach Friend, Second District Supervisor KION News Santa Cruz Sentinel

Susanne Heim

From: Sid Chandra

Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 3:46 PM

To: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Cc: Sid Chandra

Subject: Protest the project

Dear PUC

I oppose this project because:

- a) incomplete EIR and determination of endangered species impact
- b) 115kv lines should be erected alongside Hwy 152 and not a residential road like freedom blvd
- c) childrens school on freedom blvd will be impacted during construction
- d) any structure taller than 2 stories scares the birds away and may cause disruption to red tail hawk that lives along woods on freedom blvd. see eco construction guidelines for minimal bird habitat disruption refer to building guidelines at ecoresorts.net for more info.

Please contact me for information regarding the above as ecoresorts network ihas been assisting with bird and animal preservation for the development of environmentally conscious organizations and can assist PG&E

Sid Chandra CEO EcoResorts Network 650 Day Valley Rd. APTOS CA 95001

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Dear Lisa Orsaba,

This email is in response to the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am a resident of Cox Road and an elementary school educator in the Pajaro Valley Unified School District serving the affected area. I am concerned with effects from this proposed project on our rural community and on the safety of children in the immediate neighborhood.

Specifically, I am concerned about the degradation of the rural values of the Cox Road area. The three mile "loop" of Cox Road joined by Day Valley is valued by all of us for walking, running, and biking. It is highly regarded by persons seeking a safe, uncongested, and serene alternative for exercise and reflection. It is part of a regional bike riding and running network of rural roads that attracts visitors to our area. The proposed project will have a permanent negative impact on those values. The appearance of the poles, the cutting back and/or removal of trees and other vegetation, the noise and visual pollution all will impact the experience of resident and visiting walkers, runners, and riders. Most of these persons have no voice in the current process.

Secondly, I am concerned for the safety of children during construction. The Day Valley bus route is served throughout the day by special ed, elementary, middle, and high school buses. There is a bus stop at the Cox Road - Day Valley intersection that is notoriously unsafe. There has been a child fatality at that spot. Students walk up Cox to access their homes in the Brooktree and Calle del Sol areas. The bus route continues down McDonald with multiple stops. It seems certain that a project of this magnitude will add to the safety risks for these children.

I understand that this project is in violation of the Santa Cruz County General Plan, and supporting documents for the project are incomplete and/or inaccurate. It seems a full and complete EIR should be required before any decision is made. All feasible alternatives (alternative routes, undergrounding of wires) should be considered.

I REQUEST MY CONCERNS BE ENTERED INTO THE PUBLIC RECORDS.

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Sincerely,

Susan Murphy 1411 Cox Road Aptos, CA 95003

Susan S. Brooks, RD, MA

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December 3, 2013

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Dear Ms. Orsaba,

This letter is regarding the proposed Cox-Freedom Segment of the Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. The published California Environmental Quality Act document for Mitigated Negative Declaration is in accurate. I believe this project will have a significant negative effect on the Day Valley area environment.

Along with the other residents in the area, I chose to live in a rural environment. This project will contribute to further urbanization of the neighborhood. It will adversely affect the native habitats of a mix of wild life including quail, other birds, bobcats, coyotes, and deer due to large scale tree removal and geological and soil disruption. This corridor is used by many cyclists from both far and near. The local high school track and cross country teams use the area for training. The project will lead to a permanent negative impact on our rural neighborhood and community values.

I am requesting that the California Public Utilities Commission order an unprejudiced, scientific, official Environmental Impact Review to include the assessment of all feasible alternatives for this project, including all other routes and undergrounding.

Susan Broks

Susan Brooks

Susanne Heim

From: Susan Kerr

Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 10:28 AM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Subject: feedback

Lisa Orsaba,

I am writing regarding PG&E's planned reinforcement project in the southern part of Santa Cruz County, from the Green Valley substation to the Rob Roy substation.

Living in Santa Cruz while working in Watsonville, I occasionally take the scenic backroads to work rather than traveling on Highway 1. I have family living in the rural area off of Freedom Boulevard, so I have opportunities to visit them at their home on their narrow country road in a pastoral setting that will be forever changed if this project is to proceed.

Erecting approximately nine miles of eighty- to one hundred-foot poles from Green Valley to Aptos High School will visually impact an otherwise tranquil rolling countryside that traverses forests, agricultural valleys and pasture lands. What are currently rural parcels of land would be negatively changed with the addition of huge towers comparable in height to multistory high rise buildings dotting the otherwise serene countryside.

The habitats in this area are many and diverse with plentiful flora and fauna likely to be adversely impacted with such an interruption to their environment. The potential affects have yet to be explored without the California Public Utilities Commission ordering an official Environmental Impact Report in which all alternatives to this project, including undergrounding, be considered.

Please assure me that a full EIR will be ordered before this project proceeds.

Susan Kerr 353 Berkeley Way Santa Cruz, CA 95062 <u>kinderkerr@sbcglobal.net</u>

Susanne Heim

From: Susan Murphy

Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2013 4:22 PM **To:** santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com

Cc: ed murphy

Subject: Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E

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Susan Murphy 1411 Cox Road Aptos, CA 95003

Susanna Honig 220 8th Avenue, Unit B Santa Cruz, CA 95062 November 26 2013

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Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing this letter regarding the proposed Santa Cruz 115 kV Reinforcement Project by PG&E. I am extremely concerned that this project will compromise the community aesthetics of the Day Valley residential neighborhood and surrounding areas, and I urge you to require a full Environmental Impact Report.

This semi-rural neighborhood is an important recreational site for bicyclists, hikers, runners, and many others who use the habitat as a coupled social-ecological system. The locale has significant community values that would be changed drastically by the implementation of the proposed project. It is simply not true that "the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment" as was stated in the Draft Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Alternative routes for this project were not sufficiently considered, and construction options including undergrounding were not even explored. Considering the devastating potential impact of this project on an important scenic corridor, it is essential that an Environmental Impact Report be required.

I have lived in Santa Cruz County for 23 years. I am astonished that a project that compromises Day Valley area community values, risks public safety on narrow roadways, and is proposed to permanently alter the skyline with poles the height of a ten-story building is consistent with the Draft IS/MN notion that "No evidence that implementing the proposed project would have any adverse effects on people."

The neighborhood aesthetics in Day Valley are valued by local residents as well as weekend visitors. The ecological and social community in this area are under significant risk because of this project. A full Environmental Impact Report is absolutely necessary to explore this risk.

Sincerely

Ph.D Candidate, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology

University of California Santa Cruz

November 28, 2013

Lisa Orsaba
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Re: Santa Cruz 115 KV Reinforcement Project by PG&E

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

My wife attended a so-called "public meeting" regarding this project on November 6 in Corralitos, California. I was unable to attend. She indicated that company representatives at the meeting would not take any questions and certainly provided no answers.

This project should not be allowed to progress without a complete Environmental Impact Report.

The area that this project will impact is a beautiful rural and agricultural neighborhood. Several people in the area have farm animals or raise fruits and vegetables. Wildlife is abundant. The area contains tree-lined roads surrounded by beautiful hills. This project will have major adverse impact on the entire area.

While the roads are beautiful, they are narrow. Having large metal polls up to 100 feet or more tall along the roadway would present a hazard and prevent future widening should the need arise.

As the customers of PG & E will ultimately pay for the project why have alternative plans not been taken into consideration? For example, the feasibility of putting the lines underground was apparently not considered. There is a need for a formal environmental Impact Report because the project.

Thank you,

Thomas Moschetti

138 Brooktree Ranch Road

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SANTA CRUZ 115-KV REINFORCEMENT PROJECT DRAFT IS/MND PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT

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transmission across the county, existing

Susanne Heim

From: Tricia Kerr

Sent:Wednesday, December 04, 2013 12:48 PMTo:santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.comSubject:Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project

December 4, 2013

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Dear Ms. Orsaba,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project proposed by PG&E. I grew up in Aptos, attended Aptos High School, and have close family in one of the neighborhoods that would be affected if the proposed project goes through. This is a pristine area filled with abundant wildlife, thriving agriculture, and beautiful forests. I cannot imagine what this area would be like if this project went through. In fact, I have never seen a residential area transformed in the way that is proposed.

In reading through your *Draft Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration*, I am shocked and dismayed at the lack of serious concern about how the environment would be affected by this proposed project. A FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is called for, absolutely. The Draft Initial Study seems to me to take a cavalier attitude: "Based on the analysis in the IS, it has been determined that all project-related environmental impacts could be reduced to a less than significant level with the incorporation of feasible mitigation measures." Really?!

"No evidence that implementing the proposed project would have any adverse affects on people." Nothing I have read in the reports mentions the considerable use of these areas for recreation and exercise, by residents and also by many non-residents who travel from other parts to use these lovely quiet "back roads" for scenic drives to the local wineries, for bicycling, jogging, walking, and hiking. This project will adversely affect everyone!

I believe there are alternatives to the proposed locations of these massive poles and high voltage lines. Has PG&E considered other routes? Shouldn't the residents be informed about why the area is being targeted, especially the section of Cox, Day Valley, and McDonald Roads and Freedom Blvd, which do not have already existing 115-kV power lines?

I have other concerns; the permanent negative change in the area's aesthetics, the impact on community values and safety. We need a FULL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT! PG&E should PROVE its claims that mitigation will reduce impact to insignificance. And, yes, aesthetics do matter.

Sincerely,

Tricia Kerr

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Susanne Heim

From: waltspichtig@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2013 2:54 PM

To: santacruz115kvproject@panoramaenv.com; zach.friend@co.santa-cruz.ca.us

Subject: 115kv Reinforcement Project

Dear Ms. Orsaba,

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We are also aware that they haven't done an EIR and would think that with the size of this project one would be necessary.

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Re: Mitigated Negative Declaration for PG&E Santa Cruz 115-kV Reinforcement Project

Dear Ms. Orsaba:

This office represents "Neighbors Shocked by PG&E" regarding the above referenced project and submits these comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) on its behalf. There are serious flaws in the aesthetics analysis in the MND. The project will result in severe impacts to the environment, including severe visual impacts to this rural part of Santa Cruz County. The addition of radically tall poles, and replacing existing poles with radically higher poles, (and the overhead wires that will be strung along these poles) will significantly affect and alter the aesthetic quality of the area and thus causes significant environmental impacts. The MND downplays these affects as will be shown in the simulations provided herewith. Moreover, the MND fails to address the project's inconsistencies with the Santa Cruz County General Plan. Because these significant impacts have not been adequately addressed or mitigated, the MND is fatally flawed.

The MND is Subject to the "Fair Argument" Standard. Therefore an EIR is Required

The courts have construed the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as preferring the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The California Supreme Court has "repeatedly recognized that the EIR is the 'heart of CEQA.' [Citations.]" Laurel Heights Improvement Association v. Regents of the University of California (1993) 6 Cal.4th 1112, 1123. As the court observed some three decades ago, "since the preparation of an EIR is the key to environmental protection under CEQA, accomplishment of the high objectives of that act requires the preparation of an EIR whenever it can be fairly argued on the basis of substantial evidence that the project may have significant environmental impact." No Oil Inc. v. City of Los

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Angeles (1974) 13 Cal.3d 68, 75. Indeed, all doubt should be resolved in favor of preparing an EIR particularly in close cases. Santa Teresa Citizen Action Group v. City of San Jose (2003) 114 Cal.App.4th 689, 703; League for Protection v. City 0f Oakland (1997) 52 Cal.App.4th 896, 905. CEQA is designed to favor the preparation of an EIR because it is the best way to evaluate and document potential environmental impacts of projects.

Courts have repeatedly affirmed that the fair argument standard is a "low threshold test." The Pocket Protectors v. City of Sacramento ("Pocket Protectors") (2004) 124 Cal. App. 4th 903, 928. Architectural Heritage Assn. v. County of Monterey (2004) 122 Cal. App. 4th 1095, 1110 ("This test establishes a low threshold for initial preparation of an EIR, which reflects a preference for resolving doubts in favor of environmental review. [Citations].") Evidence supporting a fair argument of any single potentially significant environmental impact triggers preparation of an EIR, regardless of whether the record contains contrary evidence in support of an agency's decision. See, City of Oakland, supra, 52 Cal. App. 4th 896; Sundstrom v. County of Mendocino (1988) 202 Cal. App. 3d 296, 310. Indeed, an EIR is the preferred vehicle for reviewing environmental impacts of a proposed project.

One major purpose of an EIR is to inform other governmental agencies, and the public generally, of the environmental impact of a proposed project and to demonstrate to an apprehensive public that the agency has, in fact analyzed and considered the ecological implications of its action [in approving a project].

No Oil Inc. v. City of Los Angeles, supra, 13 Cal.3d at 86.

Lay Testimony and Photo Simulations Provided by Neighbors Shocked by PG&E Are More Than Adequate to Make a Fair Argument That There Will be Significant Environmental Effects Requiring an EIR

With respect to the aesthetics analysis in the MND, lay testimony is considered adequate. Testimony of area residents can qualify as substantial evidence in support of a fair argument when based on personal observations relevant to a potential impact. See, City of Carmel-by-the-Sea v. Board of Supervisors (1986) 183 Cal.App.3d 229, 246 fn. 8; Oro Fino Gold Mining Corp. v. County of El Dorado (1990) 225 Cal.App.3d 872, 882; Citizens Assn. for Sensible Development of Bishop Area v. County of Inyo (1985) 172 Cal.App.3d 151, 173 (lay testimony as to traffic conditions); "Any substantial negative effect of a project on view and other features of beauty could constitute a significant environmental impact under CEQA." Ocean View Estates Homeowners Association, Inc. v. Montecito Water District (2004) 116 Cal.App.4th 396, 401, citing, Quail Botanical Gardens Foundation, Inc. v. City of Encinitas (1994) 29 CalApp.4th 1597, 1604. Moreover, overall aesthetic impacts "is not the special purview of experts. Personal

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observations on these nontechnical issues can constitute substantial evidence." *Id.* at 402, *citing*, *Oro Fino Gold Mining Corp. v. County of El Dorado*, *supra*, 225 Cal.App.3d at 882.

We are aware of many comments that will be submitted on the MND expressing concern regarding the significant aesthetic impacts of the project. However, in addition to this lay testimony, Neighbors Shocked by PG&E are submitting herewith photo simulations done by a photo simulation expert, Chris Yonge. (See, Exhibits attached hereto). This expert testimony is dispositive that an EIR must be prepared. City of Livermore v. Local Agency Formation Commission (1986) 184 Cal.App.3d 531, 541-542. Indeed, an EIR is required precisely in order to resolve a dispute among experts. City of Carmel-by-the-Sea v. Board of Supervisors, supra, 183 Cal.App.3d at 245-246. Thus, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) cannot rely on its experts to support an MND when contradictory evidence submitted by our client demonstrates that there will be significant environmental effects.

The visual simulations in the MND do not take into account the fact that extensive tree trimming will occur along the project's corridor. Thus, the visual simulations that portray the post-project views are inaccurate since the trees in those simulations (which are unchanged from the pre-project pictures) provide a backdrop that reduces the real extent of the impacts. Nonetheless, some of the simulations themselves even show the dramatic changes that will occur and the significant impacts that will result. (See for example, Figures 3.1-13 and 3.1-14). The photo simulations that are attached account for tree trimming that the MND does not take into account. When trimming is factored into the analysis, the impact is clearly even more severe.

Some of the aesthetic analysis dismisses impacts because motorists will only see the transmission lines for a short period of time. However, visually intrusive and ugly infrastructure, even if viewed briefly, can be a significant impact, and the MND fails to address the fact that it affects the community at large and aesthetic values of the community. Ironically, the MND states that "The proposed project would result in a visual change in pattern and scale" in the Cox-Freedom segment. (See, p. 3.1-26).

In addition to the general impacts described above, the MND dismisses the aesthetic impacts to Pinto Lake County Park because there is existing electrical infrastructure already present. Like the rest of the MND, it minimizes the true impact of bigger, taller and more intrusive infrastructure that will result from this project. These impacts are significant. As explained in *Pocket Protector*, *supra*, 124 Cal. App. 4th at 936-937:

Under CEQA, it is the state's policy inter alia to "[t]ake all action necessary to provide the people of this state with ... enjoyment of aesthetic, natural, scenic, and historic environmental qualities." [Citation.] The CEQA initial study checklist asks four questions as to aesthetic impact, including whether a project will "[s]ubstantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings." [Citation.] n25

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Thus, courts have recognized that aesthetic issues "are properly studied in an EIR to assess the impacts of a project." (Mira Mar Mobile Community v. City of Oceanside (2004) 119 Cal.App.4th 477, 492; see Ocean View Estates Homeowners Assn., Inc. v. Montecito Water Dist., supra, 116 Cal.App.4th 396, 401; National Parks & Conservation Assn. v. County of Riverside (1999) 71 Cal.App.4th 1341, 1360.)

The MND is Legally Flawed Because it Fails to Analyze the Project's Inconsistency with the Santa Cruz County General Plan

Finally, the MND does not adequately address the compatibility of the project with Santa Cruz County General Plan policies. The fair argument standard applies to the conclusions in environmental documents as to whether a project complies with the County General Plan. The Pocket Protectors, supra 124 Cal. App. 4th 903. Pocket Protectors held that "if substantial evidence supports a fair argument that the proposed project conflicts with the policies of the PUD, this constitutes grounds for requiring an EIR. Whether a fair argument can be made on this point is a legal question on which we do not defer to the [Respondent's] determination." Id. at 930. Compatibility with the Santa Cruz County General Plan must be analyzed even of the PUC is not bound by the General Plan. The MND Land Use section and Appendix C of the MND merely reference the County General Plan. However, there is no analysis of the project's obvious conflicts with the General Plan.

For instance, the County General Plan requires undergrounding.

Policy 5.10.24: Utility Service Lines.

Require underground placement of all new utility service lines and extension lines to and within new residential and commercial subdivisions. Require underground placement of all other new or supplementary transmission lines within views from scenic roads where it is technically feasible, unless it can be shown that other alternatives are less environmentally damaging or would have unavoidable adverse impacts on agricultural operations. When underground utilities are installed parallel to existing above ground lines, require that the design of the support towers or poles be compatible with the surroundings and that lines cross roadways at low elevations or curves in the roads in accordance with the California Public Utilities Commission regulations for public utility facilities.

Furthermore, General Plan Policy 7.26.1 (Undergrounding Lines) "Require[s] all new power line distribution systems and all services to new development to be placed underground." Analysis of the project's conflicts with these policies is not provided and the project clearly conflicts with

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these policies because the project is entirely above ground, including in residential areas. Thus, the MND is legally flawed.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

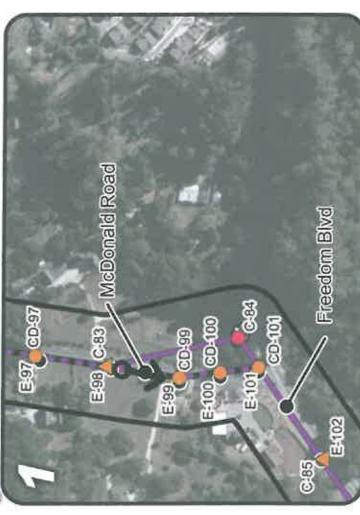
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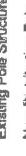
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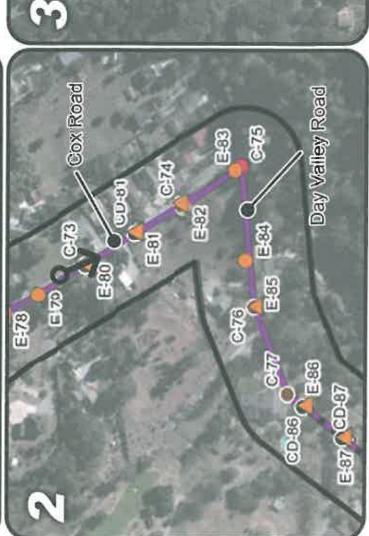
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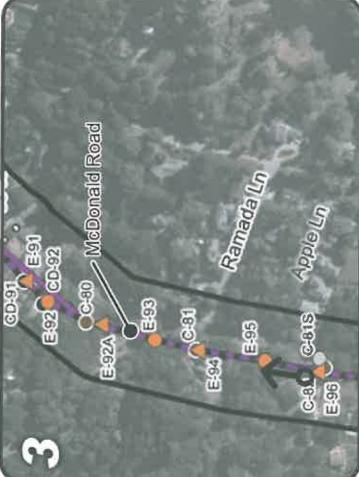


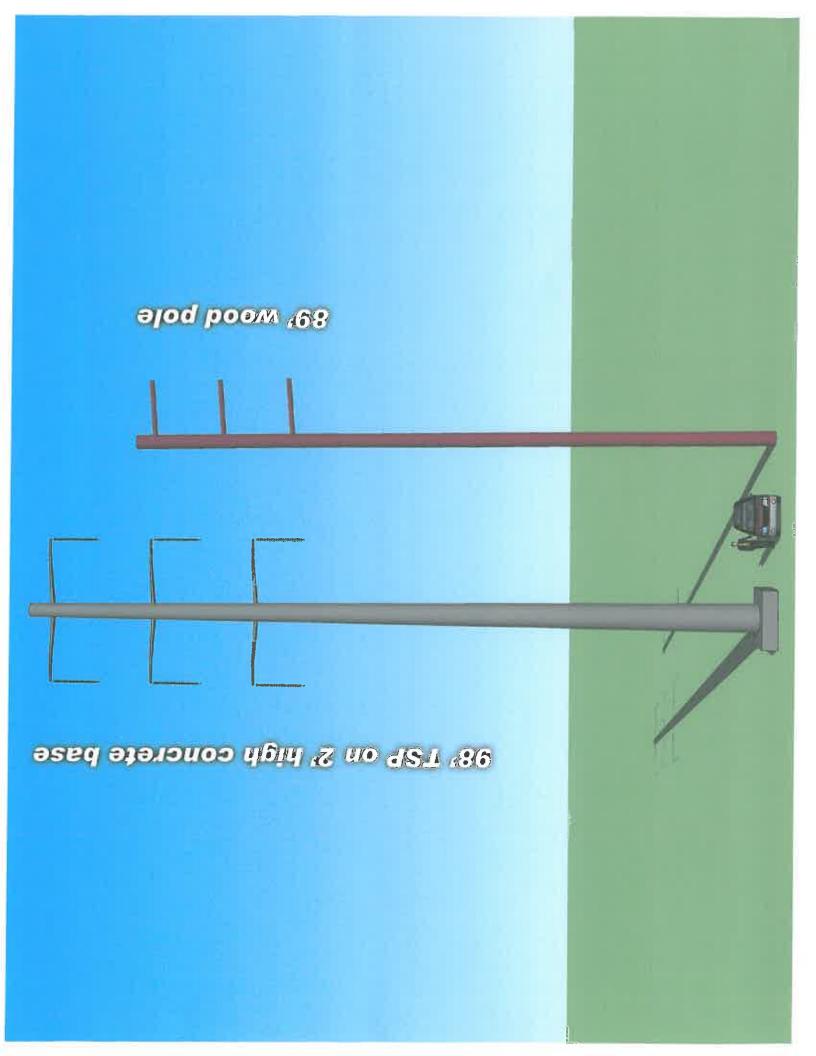


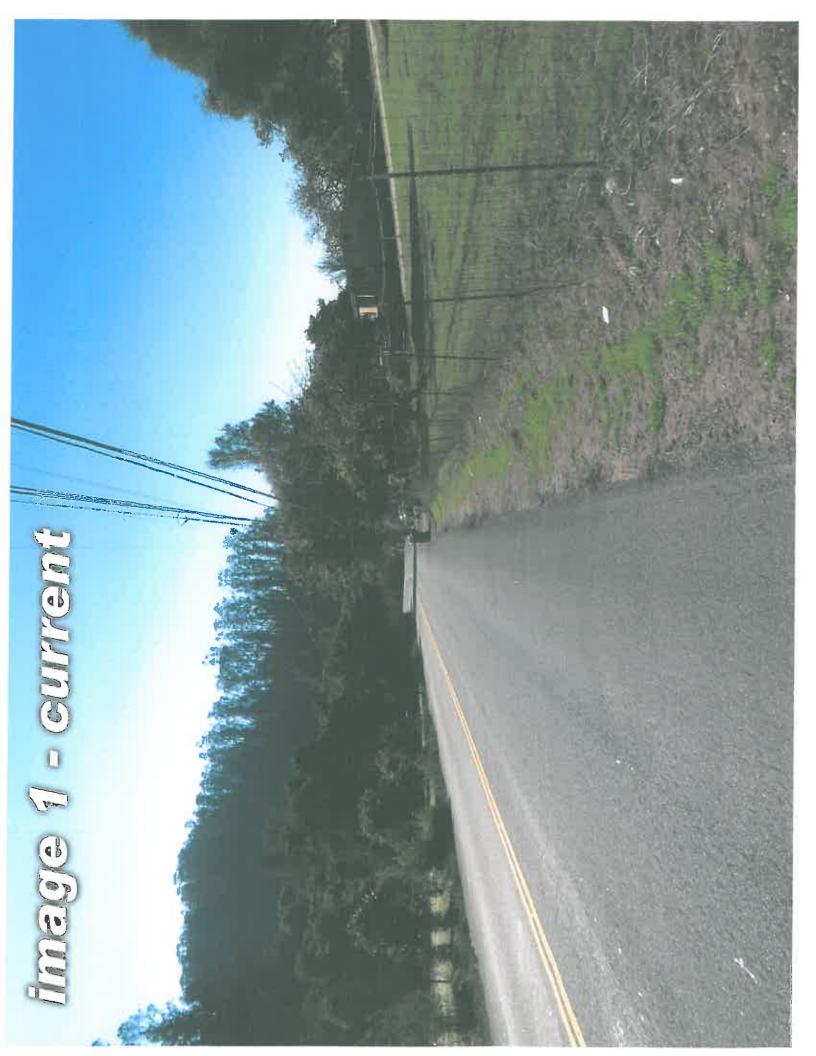


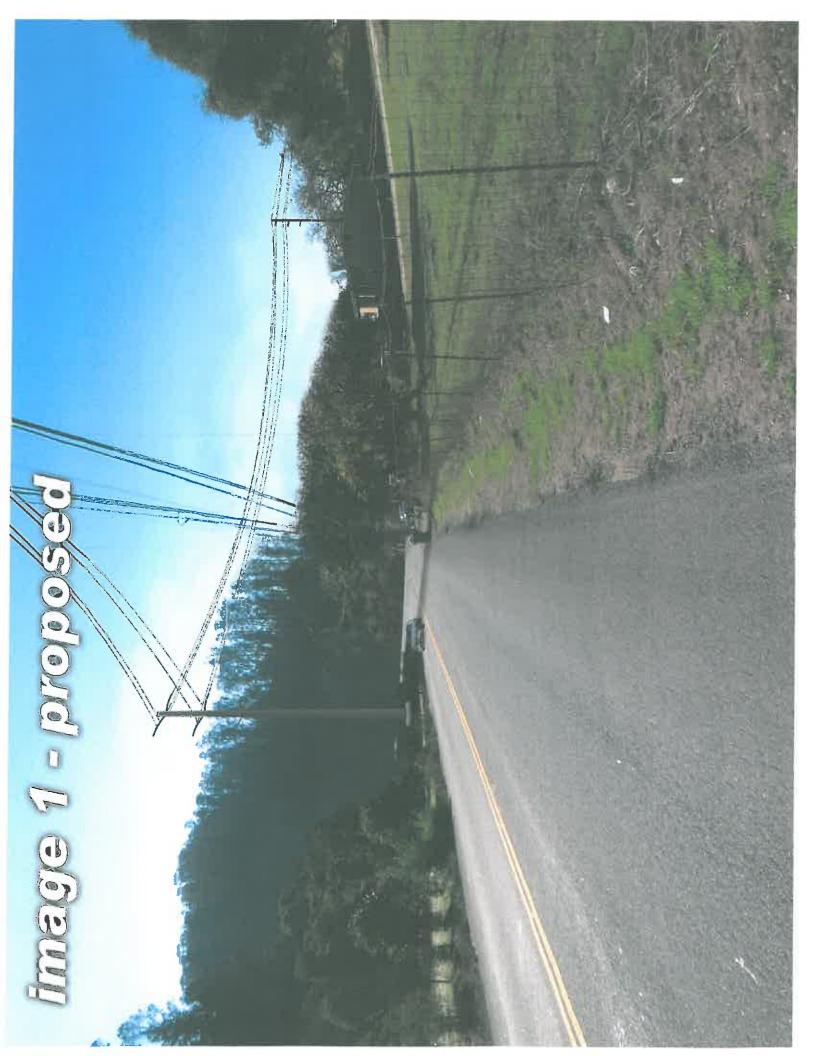












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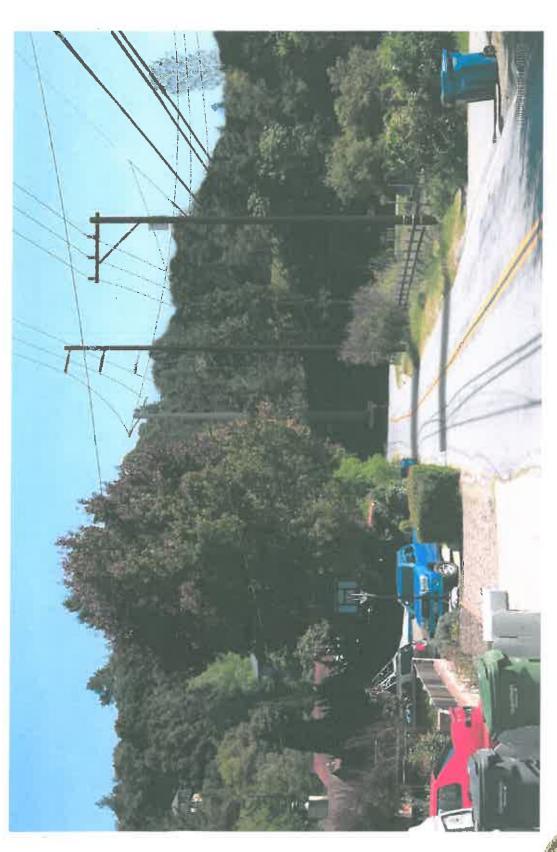


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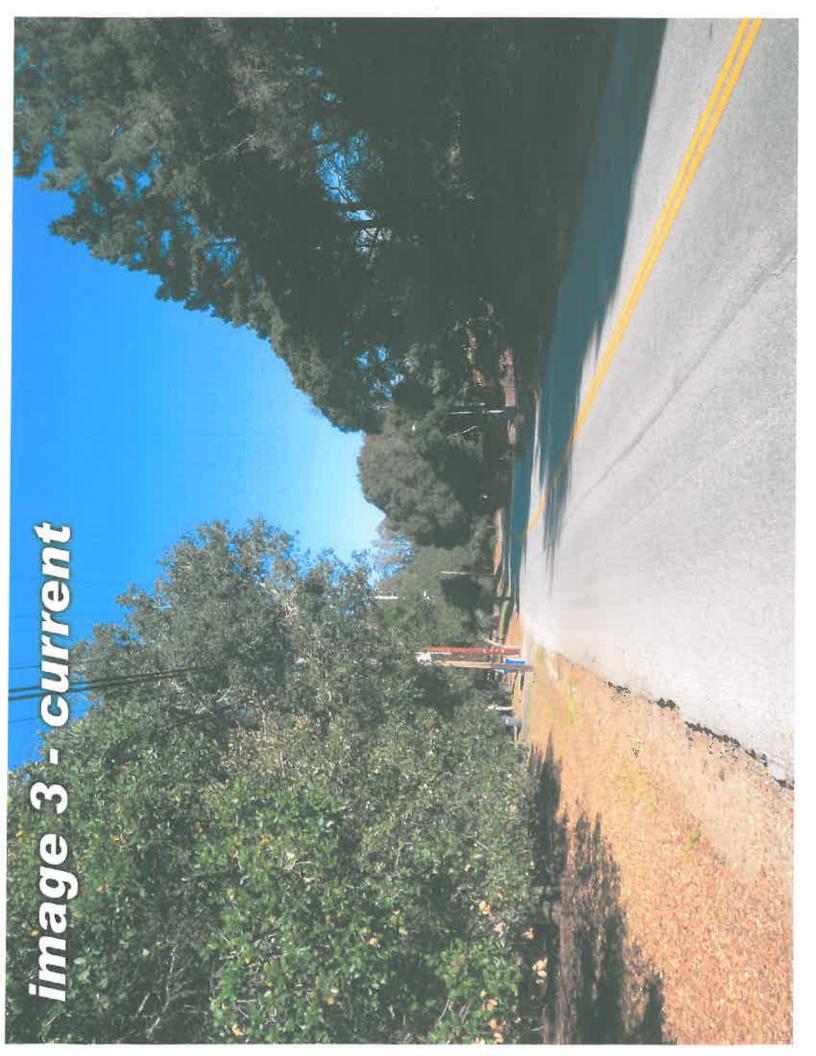
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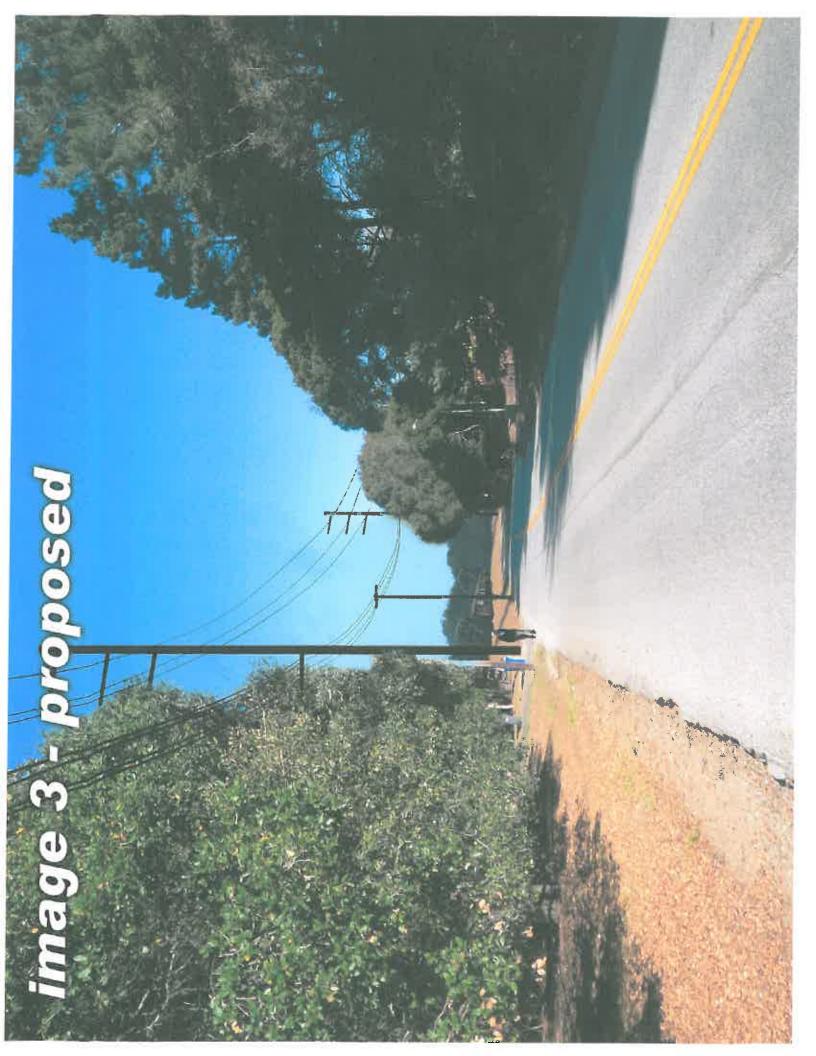
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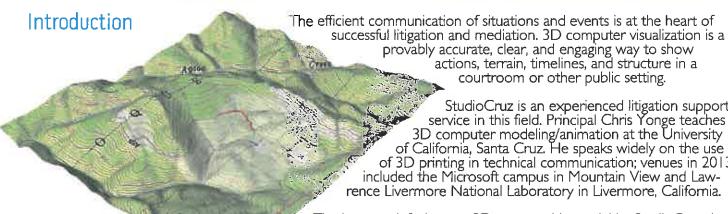
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The image at left shows a 3D topographic model by StudioCruz that was used as an interactive visual demonstrative in Haines v. Farley, heard in Santa Cruz High Court in 2011. Lead attorneys in the case were Bardellini, Straw, Cavin & Bupp, LLP, of San Ramon. A video describing the making and use of this exhibit can be found at http://youtu.be/mYe5Lr34DnA.

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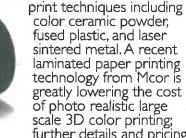
In March 2013 StudioCruz prepared a six minute animation for the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office showing the sequence of events in the January 2013 Jeremy Goulet officer-related homicides. This was used to analyze a complex series of interactions between Goulet and Santa Cruz police officers and detectives. Four frames from the video are shown on the right.

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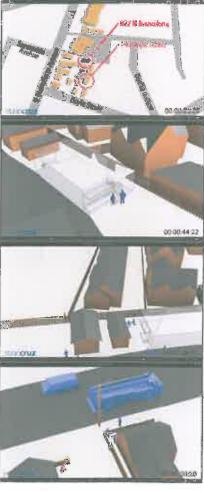
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Three dimensional printing is a technology that allows litigators to provide realistic models of objects, situations, and terrain to jurors. StudioCruz uses several 3D



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STUDIOCTUZ 3D Visualization for Litigators and Mediators (2)



Courtroom presentation

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The typical scene shown on left includes

- Counsel
- Digital projector
- Tripod
 - Wires safely secured to floor
- 5 Spare projector with additional bulb
- 6 Review monitor
- 7 Primary laptop
- Backup laptop

Projects and rates

StudioCruz' efficient operation produces maximum value for your clients' budget; a small animation/presentation contract including courtroom technical support will cost between eight and fifteen thousand dollars. Typical litigation and mediation projects involve the communication of events where timing is of central importance to the argument, and of objects or locations whose three dimensional forms and relationships are also vital. Often these two features of 3D presentation can be combined in one demonstrative. The studio uses state of the art digital modeling, animation, and presentation software for maximum editability and provably accurate foundation.

Development and production

\$125.00 per hour (8 hour minimum)

Principal's time on stand, if required

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Courtroom presentation including technician, duplicated laptops, software, projectors, cabling, and peripherals

\$750 per half day plus travel/expenses

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STUDIOCTUZ Resume for Chris Yonge

Overview

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2006 - 2007	Contract litigation graphics specialist, Fulcrum Legal Graphics, San Francisco, CA
2005 - 2006	Contract architectural renderer/animator, DES Architects + Engineers, Redwood City, CA
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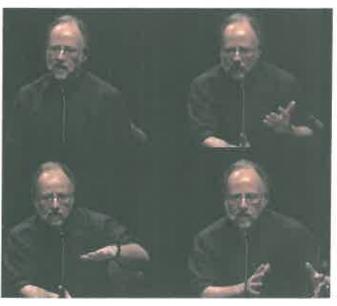
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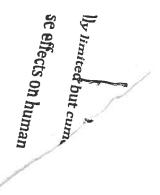
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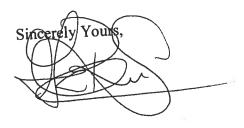
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Subject: Santa Cruz project

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Date: Nov. 25, 2013

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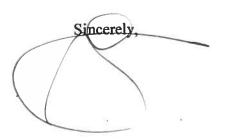
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