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California Public Utility Commission Draft Environmental Impact Report
Estrella Substation and Paso Robles Area Reinforcement Project
Public Comment

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Dear CPUC,

We are residents at [REDACTED] PG&E power lines pass within [REDACTED] feet of our home. We have many concerns about the final outcome of this project as it affects our property. We are specifically concerned with aesthetics and EMFs. We attended the zoom meeting provided by Horizon West Transmission, but the persons running the meeting were either unable or unwilling to answer the questions that we posed.

In explanation, we did know that PG&E had an easement across our property along its border with North River Road when we purchased our land 30 years ago. At that time the poles were smaller and more localized. Each time an upgrade occurs, larger poles are placed with higher lines and increased hardware running the lines. PG&E told us that this next upgrade will increase line height by 12 feet (+/-).

Attached are pictures to show you the physical proximity of the poles to our home. We are hopeful that persons working on this project can assist us with some answers and some solutions to our unique situation.

Thank you,
[REDACTED]

Aesthetics:

1. How will this project affect existing power lines and poles along North River Road?
2. How tall will poles and lines be after the project is complete?
3. How far apart will the poles be after the project is completed?
4. Can poles be relocated from their prominent locations and current placements to help with the aesthetics of the area?
5. Larger power poles and increased height of the lines will lower my property value. How can this be avoided?

EMFs

1. Could undergrounding be considered due to the proximity of lines to our home?
2. No one seems to know much about EMFs so they are basically ignored. I doubt they are mentioned in any detail in this EIR.





