

**SOITEC SOLAR DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

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3921 77-046-01 (AP); Rugged Solar, 3300 12-007 (MUP); LanWest 3300 12-002
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**NOTICE OF PREPARATION PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD
December 6, 2012 through January 7, 2013**

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING COMMENT SHEET

Tuesday, December 18, 2012
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
5510 OVERLAND AVENUE, SUITE 110
SAN DIEGO, CA 92123

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WRITTEN COMMENT FORM

I strongly disagree with this establishment
and it would be severely damaging to
me, my family, and the environment.

See attached for why, and how.

See Attached

(Attach additional pages as needed)

Teresa A Jackson
Signature Date

Teresa Jackson
Print Name

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COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4:00 PM, JANUARY 7, 2013

Attachment to SOITEC SOLAR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
REPORT.

I Teresa A Jackson wish to inform you of the issues and nuisances of establishing the three solar energy projects surrounding my home which my brother, Daniel Renard, and I purchased as a family home where the grand kids could come to visit and the relatives could meet up.

The three solar projects would surround our home 360 degrees, and this company, Soitec Solar, wishes to develop two of these three projects. These projects violate zoning ordinances, and are a health hazard to those that live near them.

These solar panels will be aimed at our house at sunset and sunrise, and would cause the house's heat to rise and the intensity of the sun around the property doubled. This would be hazardous to the eyes and skin as well as cause the house values to lower because of more maintenance, health risks, and lowered scenery values because of plowing down all of the trees and growth.

These solar panels would lower the water tables and make water less available also causing house property values to drop and health risks because people use wells to get the water. They would also destroy the environment and release large amounts of pollution.

There have been recent reports of cancer, including those of the brain, kidneys, and stomach, nearby supposedly caused by the voltage dropping of the wind mills. Certainly this close to residents such issues would also be common and frankly is quite scary.

Please uphold the law and justice and keep these destructive solar panels away from the residents of boulevard including myself.

Sincerely, Teresa A Jackson,

An Argument Against Establishing Solar Panels at Ground Level in Boulevard Near the I-8

By Teresa A Jackson

Edited by: Molly Hickok

There has been discussion of covering the property near the town of Boulevard that doesn't house residents in solar panels. Although skin deep this sounds like a great idea as part of the solution to the energy crisis in the U.S.; solar panels in the desert present many more cons than pros, and there are other solutions which would prove to be more beneficial in both the short and the long term.

First let us establish what the solar panels and their needs are. The idea, from what I've gathered, is lay out many solar panel sheets over the "desert" creating a solar farm. This of course would cost a rather large sum of money in itself, however if this money were to be dedicated to this project these solar panels would have some needs. These needs would be, cleaning, management, a space to occupy, and possibly security.

Meeting these needs is a challenge itself. The first being cleaning, would usually require human assistance, or the installation of a solar panel cleaning system, which does not actually do the job to maximum efficiency and wastes large sums of water, which in the desert is kind of hard to come by and very precious to Southern California. Thus, in order to get the maximum juice you can get out of these solar panels it requires the money to hire people to actually drive out to this area and clean them daily, as it is a desert and dust would coagulate on them rather quickly. This means using gas, hurting the environment, and we still wash them with water, which is still, a precious commodity which continues to cost even more.

The next need would be security. Assuming that the people who manage the solar panels are the same people who would be cleaning them, that doesn't waste much more gas or much more money that I can think of, however those people either need to stay there and function as security, or a high dollar security system needs to be put into action. Security from what, one might ask, everything. There are humans that do exist and go out there, and where there are humans there is theft. It's a sad fact, but it's why people lock their doors, and are so weary of each other. One of these solar panels can run a pretty penny, and thus there will be people that would steal it, so like everything else in this world it would require some sort of security. Also this assumes humans are the only worry, there is mother nature to still deal with. It rains, it snows, and we're dealing with electronics. Good luck with that.

That being a good segway into the space it occupies, these solar panels would be situated on a mountain near a freeway. Let me get this right, on a mountain, and near a freeway. The fact that it's on a mountain would mean that most likely wherever you put the solar panels some parts of the year the mountains around them would obscure the sun meaning that there are much better locations for these solar panels, such as on the roofs of houses and government buildings, etc, where you aren't obstructing nature and wildlife. Then it's next to the roadways. Solar panels emit a great glare. This can be hazardous for drivers and is great hypocrisy considering having brights on at the wrong time is hazardous to the average middle class person's checkbook. The effects of the lights on people's eyes in the long run can lead to

blindness, and in the short term the temporarily blinding lights can cause car wrecks and other catastrophes.

Now that we have its needs, I believe we should handle its cause on the environment around it. When these solar panels absorb the sun they're depriving it from the earth beneath them, and although when you think desert, you think sand, California deserts support their own complex ecosystems which include endangered species such as the red-tailed hawk and the golden eagle. Also, being a mountain, this is kept together by the vegetation on it which requires sunlight. These solar panels depriving these plants of sunlight can be catastrophic and result in more landslides, less stable land, and the death of wildlife. This would result in ruining an entire environment, and making people live with a lower quality of life as opposed to using other options!

The immense solar panels would also cause a rise in heat in the area causing the electric bills of residents to rise substantially and the panels obscuring the views and available acreage would cause property values to plummet in an already horrid real estate economy, thereby devastating residents.

This is not to say that solar panels themselves lack the ability to efficiently support clean energy, in fact they can be rather useful, just not upon the desert floor. A better solution would be to place the solar panels upon the roofs of houses that get a lot of sun but don't use their roof space for anything but covering the interior of the house.

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