

Comment Letter I50

Hingtgen, Robert J

From: Mary Rajknecht <bahiamaria@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2014 7:49 AM
To: Hingtgen, Robert J
Cc: Jacob, Dianne
Subject: NO - Soitec Solar Project

Dear Mr. Hingtgen,

I support the NO PROJECT alternative listed in the Soitec Solar PEIR.

Enough is enough. The San Diego backcountry should not be the dumping ground for purportedly "green" power projects. Every acre of chaparral lost is a loss of precious watershed, habitat, and food source for sensitive and endangered species. Additionally, chaparral provides protection against erosion, it allows the underground water sources to recharge, and provides a place for people to restore their spirit.

If the corporations behind these "green" projects really had the best interests of mother earth in mind then they would confine their projects to already disturbed areas instead of destroying more pristine landscape. There are many acres of concrete and asphalt available in San Diego County on the roof tops of skyscrapers, shopping malls, strip malls, parking garages, hospitals, apartment buildings, etc. for these types of projects.

We need to challenge these companies to truly think "green" when designing their projects, and I don't mean in their wallets.

Thank you.

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 Pine Valley Resident

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Response to Comment Letter I50

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The County of San Diego (County) acknowledges the commenter's support for the No Project Alternative. This letter expresses the commenter's opposition to the Proposed Project. The decision makers will consider all information in the Final Program Environmental Impact Report (FPEIR) and related documents before making a decision on the Proposed Project. The information in this comment will be provided in the FPEIR for review and consideration by the decision makers. The County analyzed the potential impacts of the Proposed Project on biological resources, including loss of vegetative communities such as chaparral (see DPEIR Section 2.3.3). Based on the environmental evaluation, it was determined that the Proposed Project would have a less than significant impact on biological resources with implementation of mitigation. The remainder of this comment does not relate to an environmental issue or the adequacy of the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report.

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