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Jim Bennett
County of San Diego
Planning & Development Services
5510 Overland Ave, Suite 310
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Re: El Monte Sand Mining and Nature Preserve

Dear Jim,

As a property owner in close proximity to the above project the following are concerns that should be addressed in consideration of this project and the preparation of an environmental impact report.

1. Would there be an adverse effect on wells in the valley and will private wells be protected.
2. Will there be a defined trail plan with access points and trails mapped in advance with input from user groups.
3. If the project is approved would the extraction process have a defined and reasonable timeline that cannot be extended beyond the end date.
4. Would the "Nature Park" be protected in perpetuity with conservation easements, and the conservation goals defined and supported.
5. As a previously posted valley fever site with known cases documented in this area, will an expert in this field be consulted on the potential threats and control practices.

This valley and its homeowners have suffered a long, tedious, and invasive process of environmental degradation from transmission towers, water pipelines, sand mining, dynamiting, grading, noise, helicopters, and property incursions from contractors. It is with heavy hearts that we confront yet another impact to our lives in the valley.

Sincerely,

Joan Embery

