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Thanks,

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Dear Chair Fletcher,

Thank you for taking the time to hear from the community about the perils of the JVR Energy Park plan.

A resident of San Diego county for 45+ years in District 4 and a new landowner in District 2 (Boulevard), I am in strong opposition to the current 600+ acre mega solar project that will surely **devastate a historic**, **low-income San Diego community** and permanently damage wildlife and ecosystems in the area.

This project will completely engulf this at-risk community and destroy its only economic engine - *tourism*. The proposed project is 6 times the size of the quaint town of Jacumba and is planned to sit within a stone's throw from homes and businesses. The very slightly modified "Community Buffer Alternative", proposed by JVR Energy Park LLC, does not at all solve these problems.

San Diego Planning Commissioner Douglas Barnhard recognized these glaring issues when he said "The problem I have with the project is that it literally has its hands around the communities neck".

We do not need to destroy a community to reach our renewable energy goals. This small community already has 2 major renewable energy developments, 3 high voltage lines running through the village and is surrounded by wind farms. The JVR Energy Park is simply not a right-fit.

I am in full support of ETHICAL and sustainable energy production that mindfully balances our green energy needs with protecting the wildlife and the community. <u>The JVR Energy Park is NOT that.</u>

It's disappointing to see our forward-thinking county repeating glaring mistakes from the past by **targeting and taking advantage of low-income communities**.

Please vote NO on this project as it is currently designed.

With much gratitude -

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