



COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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RE: Opposition to Estrella Substation and Paso Robles Area Reinforcement Project Alternative SE-PLR-2: Templeton -Paso South River Road Route

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to extend my opposition and concern for the Estrella Substation and Paso Robles Area Reinforcement Project Alternative SE-PLR-2: Templeton -Paso South River Road Route. A new powerline along this route will adversely affect the visual character and the quality of the largely rural-residential area. Due to the scenic quality of this area, the County has previously required new developments in this area to underground their utilities. This route will also pass through more densely developed areas within the City of Paso Robles.

Alternative SE-PLR-2: Templeton -Paso South River Road Route is considered sensitive for cultural resources due to its proximity to perennial and annual waterways. Preliminary environmental analysis (NEET West and PG&E 2018 b) found that this route is sensitive for biological resources, specifically a high concentration of heritage oak trees along South River road as well as riparian corridors and wetlands that occur on south River Road to the intersection of Santa Ysabel Avenue.

Of utmost importance to me is public safety. The City of Paso Robles Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and the California Department of Conservation Maps illustrate that the Rinconada Earthquake Fault lies along the length of South River Road and Santa Ysabel Ranch. This is of great concern and should weigh heavy in any decision regarding Alternative SE-PLR-2: Templeton -Paso South River Road Route.

Thank you for your consideration of removing Estrella Substation and Paso Robles Area Reinforcement Project Alternative SE-PLR-2: Templeton -Paso South River Road Route from further analysis. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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