

Rob Peterson, CPUC

January 15, 2021

c/o Tom Engels

Horizon Water and Environment, LLC

2266 Grand Avenue, Suite 210

Oakland, CA 9410

Re: Opposition to SE-PLR-2, Templeton – S. River Route Alternative

Dear Mr. Engels,

I oppose the S. River Route Alternative for the following reasons:

Santa Ysabel Ranch is a beautiful enclave of homes which is located within a High Fire Hazard Zone. Transmission lines in our area will greatly increase our risk of fire. We have a home in the Ventura area and have experienced, firsthand, the deadly combination of winds, dry brush AND power transmission lines.

Thankfully, our home was spared, but some of our dear friends were not so lucky. Our surrounding dry vegetation and steep hills, in combination with powerful transmission lines, is a recipe for disaster.

In addition to the extreme fire danger posed by these lines, Heritage Oak trees would be removed, our beautiful eagles would be endangered, and our property values and resale values would be dramatically impacted. The substation should be placed near where all the substantial residential and commercial growth will take place in Paso Robles—not here in Templeton.

Please save us from potential fire risk and preserve our beautiful area by not putting a transmission line along S. River Road.

Sincerely,

