

December 21, 2020

Mr. Rob Peterson, CPUC
C/O Tom Engles, Ph.D.
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Re: Opposition to SE-PLR-2, Templeton - S. River Road Route Alternative

Dear Dr. Engels,

I oppose the S. River Road route alternative for the following serious reasons:

1. **Wildfire Danger:** *The SRR alternative (SE-PLR-2) and the Templeton Substation are in the middle of a HIGH FIRE HAZARD ZONE.* High power transmission lines placed along SRR and inside the Santa Ysabel Ranch development present a significant risk to our community, should they fail. Equipment failures of similar equipment, found at fault for the loss and damage in the Camp Fire (Paradise) and the Kincaid Fire (Sonoma/Geyserville) caused significant personal loss/death and property damage.
2. **Emergency Exit:** I live on [REDACTED] I require assistance to navigate exiting my home and getting in and out of vehicles. I do not drive. The presence of high power transmission lines quite literally in front of my home, that could cause or exacerbate a wildfire further reducing time for help to arrive or an escape, is a terrifying thought. How would I get out?
3. **High Risk Equipment:** Our utilities are buried, we do not have distribution poles in our development. Additionally the terrain is hilly and we have hundreds of protected blue and live oaks and grassy areas between homes and sections of the development. The destruction of homes by a wildfire is frightening enough, but deciding to place high power towers that increases wildfire risk known for failure and the cause of catastrophic wildfires, is very troubling.

Please consider eliminating the Templeton - South River Road option as an alternative for this project.

Cordially,

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