

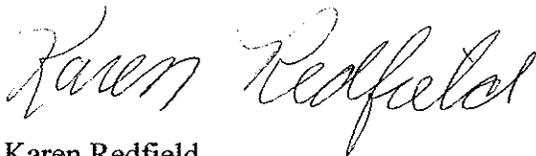
Karen Redfield
21451 Ave. 360
Woodlake, CA

Dear Mr. Uchida:

I live on Ave. 360 and my husband and I farm 40 acres of olives on land adjacent to Route 2 and Route 6 in the Antelope Valley. I am very concerned about the effect this project would have on the underground water supply. We have drilled so many times we could have a golf course out here from all the holes!! Water is very difficult to find. Our water runs in underground stratas so you have to 'hit' just right to be successful. I am very worried about what might happen if you go 'upstream' from us and drill down for your poles. We have no idea exactly the direction our underground river flows so anything north of us is a threat, and that is exactly where routes 2 and 6 are—north of us. The same story is true, obviously, for anyone living out in this area. We are just fortunate that we have more land on which to drill. It's hard enough worrying about the drought and its effects—we don't want to have to think about what the deep poles might do to our stratas underground!

A very appealing option still remains by developing Route 3 with a minor deviation around the vernal pools. It affects very few land owners, makes better use of the existing right of ways, and has almost no adverse effects on agriculture or residential use. Please consider this when making your final decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Redfield". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Karen Redfield