

MEMO

July 24, 2009

TO: Mr. Jensen Uchida

FROM: Kent and Gail Kaulfuss



RE: Public Participation Meeting on the San Joaquin Cross Valley Loop Transmission Project

While we are grateful for the opportunity to give voice to our hopes for the outcome of this project, we were seriously disappointed at the lack of staff at the meeting last night. We realize that there was probably a much greater turnout than anticipated, but most of us were kept standing outside in 104^o heat for more than 30 minutes because there were inadequate provisions for sign-in stations. The staff didn't have the sense to have people move into the air conditioned lobby and form a line, so we stood outdoors in the sweltering heat.

More importantly, when additional sign-in sheets were passed among the seats for people to fill in, no staff member monitored their progress, and as a result, sheets made it partway through the rows and then did not continue to the back. Dozens of people sitting in the rows at the back of the room never signed in. There was also no staff at the back of the room to take comment cards or letters from people who didn't stay to the end of the meeting and neither was there a designated drop box. These items ended up strewn loosely on a table along with partially completed sign in sheets, half-empty water glasses and other trash. Whether they ever made it to the people for whom they were intended remains a mystery.

As these meetings are a matter of public record, some effort should have been made to safeguard the information that is critical to this decision-making process. Not everyone present spoke and became part of the recorded meeting, and the written comments should have been treated with some semblance of importance and security.

Again, we are extremely grateful for the opportunity to be heard.

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SUBJECT: Cross Valley Loop

COMMENTS: It was brought to my attention that the attached letter (re: Draft E.I.R) which we sent via Fed Ex, did not have the docket # A. 08-05-039 referenced on it.

Thanks,
Kent Kaulfuss

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July 23, 2009

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DOCKET # A.08-05-039

Dear Mr. Uchida:

My wife, Gail, and I remain opposed to the proposed Route #1 as was addressed in our previous letters and testimony to the PUC, SCE and an Administrative Law Judge. The EIR failed to address the adverse effects that Route #1 will have on our adjoining property. Currently, SCE has a right-of-way with a 66 KVA line (outdated and in poor condition) that is four feet from our home on the north and east side which bisects our entire five acres. The proposed 220 KVA line right-of-way would run parallel to this existing 66 KVA line (with only 80 feet between them) and would be twenty feet from our home and detached garage on the south side, essentially putting our home right in the middle of three major SCE right-of-ways, creating an island of our home site. (See attached map.) This also creates a major health concern for us, being sandwiched between three major power lines. We have had no communication at all from SCE regarding this impact that would adversely affect our living standard and property value.

Because this proposed Route #1 right-of-way will follow our property boundary for approximately 650 feet, it would essentially isolate a strip of our property measuring approximately 65,000 square feet, or about an acre and a half. SCE might avoid obligatory acquisition or compensation cost relative to our parcel due to the fact that it is not part of their right-of-way acquisition.

SCE's preferred route has caused tremendous controversy throughout the region. SCE's preferred route would devastate the environment, community and agriculture. The preferred route interferes with Farmersville's economic redevelopment plan, causes the loss of agricultural jobs, causes the loss of prime farmland, does not comply with the scenic corridor status along Highway 198, and would cause houses and major pipelines to be removed. The CPUC should continue to evaluate other routes plotted by SCE. Specifically, alternative Route #3 would utilize 19 miles of existing SCE right-of-way, require construction on grazing land, not prime farmland, and would have few, if any, mitigating factors to be resolved. Therefore, we recommend Route #3 as the least invasive of the proposed routes and the one that would only take minor adjustments to avoid the vernal pools.

Of all the three alternatives, the proposed Route #1 requires the greatest acquisition of right-of-way and has the most damaging impact on communities in its path. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,




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