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I wanted to state that I am opposed to the Lithium Battery Storage that has been proposed in the city of San Juan Capistrano.

Points to ponder:

First and foremost San Juan Capistrano is a historical area.

The area where they want to build this is literally at the bottom of a mountain range that has vegetation on it.

Above this is the city of Laguna Niguel with approximately 65,000 constituents.

There are houses -maybe 100 yards away.

In the vicinity of proposed site there is an avocado farm, a wine vineyard and a Peace Farm that special needs children tend to.

A hundred feet from the proposed site is the 5 freeway(major artery),73 corridor, Amtrak rail line and Trabuco Creek(which goes to the ocean)

And in very close proximity is Saddleback College(approximately 41,000 students are enrolled), Capistrano Valley High School(enrollment of 2,100) and J Serra High School(enrollment 1,300).

Not to mention elderly living facilities in the area.

There is a major Mercedes Benz dealer right down the street-and I'm sure there are vehicles that have gas in them.

My question: why does this make it a good place to have lithium batteries stored ??? I respectfully note that the CEC have been elected to represent the constituents of this area- in the best interest- as a whole and not just the vocal special interest groups.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views.

Donna Scimia