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BLESSIN MEETING OPPOSING THE LOCATION OF THE COMPASS PROJECT

On Monday, December 1, 2025, the community got together again for a meeting opposing the location of this project and advocating for the CEC to deny the application. This is just the latest meeting. We want the CEC to know the about involvement of our local, State and Congressional leaders at these meetings The community is organized.

We feel the CEC would like to know about these meeting as part of their process and to gauge the support or opposition that exists.

I have attached a PDF of my PowerPoint presentation slides. Of particular interest is the list of speakers that contributed their time to address the community and reiterate their opposition to this location. We plan to keep the CEC informed as we go through this process.

We are opposed to the location of this facility not green energy or battery storage facilities in particular.

Regards,

Cathleen Pryor

President, B.L.E.S.S.I.N.®

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Additional submitted attachment is included below.



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NEIGHBORHOODS

December 1, 2025



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B.L.E.S.S.I.N. Meeting Agenda

Welcome and Acknowledgements

Opening Remarks

Opposition to Compass Location

Laguna Niguel Statement of Opposition

SJC Historical Perspective

Review of Project Opposition

Vice-Chair Katrina Foley's Opposition

The San Diego County BESS Disasters

Update of CEC Review and Engie Activity

Recorded statement of Opposition

Q/A

Closing Remarks

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L. Davies, Assemblywoman in Sacramento

G. Johns, Mayor Laguna Niguel

J. Campbell, Mayor Pro Tem San Juan Capistrano

H. Hart, SJC City Councilman

A. Paulson, District Representative

C. O'Farrell, Representative of Jim Desmond

M. McGrady, BLESSIN

M. Levin, Congressman in Washington D.C.

All

C. Pryor



Thank you!

Our Elected Officials Vocal Support:

- San Juan Capistrano
 - Troy Bourne
 - John Campbell
 - Howard Hart
 - John Taylor
 - Staff
- Laguna Niguel
 - Gene Johns
 - Ray Gennawey
 - Stephanie Oddo
 - Staff
- Orange County
 - Katrina Foley
 - Staff
- State of California
 - Assembly Member Laurie Davies
 - Senator Katherine Blakespear
 - Senator Steven Choi
 - Staff
- Federal
 - Congressman Mike Levin
 - Staff



250 Megawatt Facility in the ravine next to Laguna Niguel?

In Spring of 2024 Engie told our HOA this facility would be under construction by September 2024. They were confident the CEC would approve the application. They did not understand the power of the community and the local government officials in opposing this. This AI picture of a 260 megawatt facility gives perspective.

Laurie Davies, Assemblywoman 74th District

Letter to CEC

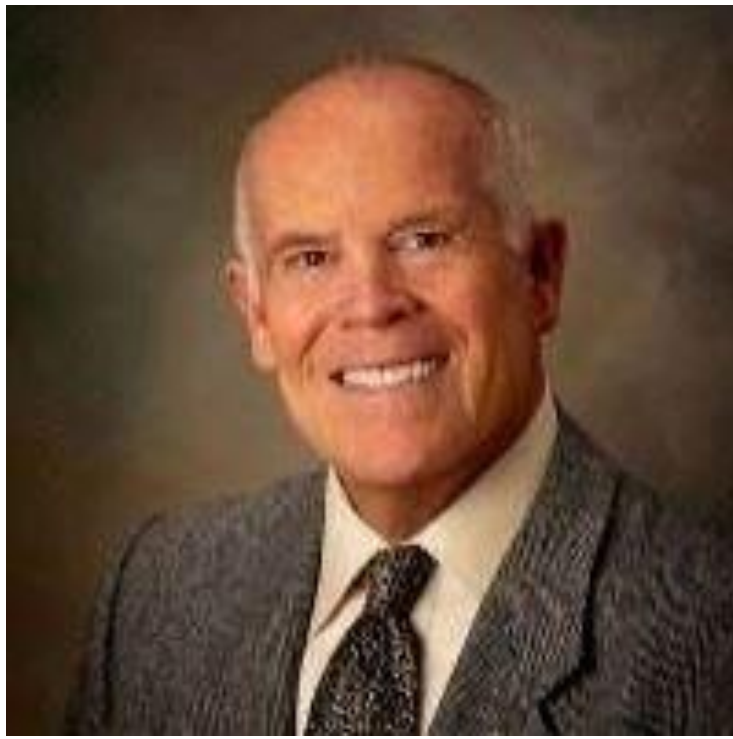
I want to ensure that all BESS projects under CEC review include robust fire prevention measures and demonstrate that the spread of toxins will not require massive evacuations and area closures.



Gene Johns, Our Mayor Pro Temp of Laguna Niguel



Mayor Johns served over 31 years as a Deputy Sheriff with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, in which 24 of those years, he served as cross-designated Task Force Officer assigned to the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). He commanded a Task Force Group nationally recognized for disrupting and dismantling drug cartel operations.



John Campbell. Mayor Pro Tem San Juan City Council

Our citizen's safety is the biggest need in our historic town. Every person has the right to feel safe in our community, regardless of circumstances.



Howard Hart, City Councilman, San Juan Capistrano

Howard served his country as a Naval Intelligence Officer for thirty years, deploying to and living all over the globe before retiring at the rank of Captain in 2017. Howard is a survivor of the September 11 Pentagon attack, and his military citations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (4 times awarded), the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (4 times awarded), and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. In 2008, he earned an MA in Military History from Norwich University.

Michael McGrady

Successful Entrepreneur, businessman, BLESSIN Advocate, and the owner of one of the homes along Camino Capistrano next to the proposed site.



Update of CEC Review and Engie Activity

Mike Levin
Member of Congress of the United States of America



Your Role and Call to Action

Taking Action Together for Safe, Responsible Energy Development

San Juan Capistrano



Laguna Niguel



San Clemente



Our terms:

- ▶ We want the California Energy Commission to deny this application.
- ▶ We want Engie/Compass to terminate the agreement with Saddleback Church as this location is unacceptable for a Battery Storage Facility.
- ▶ We ask Saddleback Church to make the termination of the agreement with Engie public and ask them to assure the public the property will not be sold for this purpose in the future.
- ▶ We want the church members who left Saddleback Church to reconsider coming back to Saddleback Church and rejoining.
- ▶ Engie/Compass needs to change the negative impression they made on the general public by bypassing local government opposition to this site.
- ▶ We want the California Energy Commission to post on their website that applications for Battery Storage Facilities in this area will not be considered. In fact, we would appreciate Engie/Compass to ask the CEC to deny this application now and save them time and money. They could be pursuing other locations acceptable to local government and the general public. They can help California reach their goals for a fossil-free grid.



Thank you!

Community response:

- Over 4,000 letters and comments
 - CEC
 - EPA
 - Secretary of Energy
 - President
 - Governor
- Participation in SOCCCD meetings
 - June 2025
 - July 2025
 - August 2025
 - September 2025
 - October 2025
- Flyer distribution
 - Anne and Mike Kraemer
 - Danielle Jackson
 - Reggie and Bruce Powers
 - Cathleen and Joe Pryor
 - Theresa Ford
 - Andre Lubarsky
 - Amy and Carl David
 - Barbara Blake
 - Debbie Haag
- Social media postings
- Small meetings





Thank you all for being here
tonight
and thank you for your
continued support!
We will win this!