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Corby Project

I am submitting this comment regarding the Corby Battery Energy Storage System project because I have serious concerns that several important safety, environmental, and community-protection issues have not been adequately addressed in the Staff Assessment.

Before this project is approved, I believe the public deserves to see complete and enforceable plans addressing:

- * Emergency response and evacuation procedures in the event of a battery fire, explosion, toxic smoke release, or other emergency.
- * Containment and disposal of contaminated water used during firefighting so that chemicals and pollutants do not enter groundwater, storm drains, nearby property, or agricultural areas.
- * A reliable emergency water supply and firefighting-water plan specifically designed for a large battery energy storage facility.
- * Cybersecurity protections for the facility and its control systems.
- * A detailed post-fire environmental testing, cleanup, remediation, and monitoring plan.
- * A complete decommissioning plan explaining how the batteries, equipment, contaminated materials, and site will be safely removed and restored at the end of the project's useful life, including who will be financially responsible.
- * Clear procedures for monitoring and enforcing noise limits, including what happens if the facility exceeds allowable noise levels after it begins operating.
- * An evaluation of potential impacts on nearby property values and appropriate mitigation if neighboring property owners suffer measurable losses related to the project.

I am particularly concerned that issues this significant may be deferred until after approval as "conditions of certification." These are not minor details. They are fundamental to determining whether this project can actually operate safely at this location and whether its environmental impacts can truly be mitigated.

A conclusion of "no significant impact with mitigation" should not be made until the mitigation measures themselves are clearly defined, publicly reviewed, technically supported, enforceable, and funded.

I respectfully request that the California Energy Commission require these plans and analyses to be completed and made available for public review BEFORE final approval of the Corby project. Residents should not be asked to accept assurances that critical safety and environmental protections will be figured out later.

Please include these concerns in the official record and require the applicant to demonstrate, in detail, how each of these risks will be prevented, managed, funded, enforced, and remediated before certification is granted.