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Re: IVANPAH SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING SYSTEM

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing as a concerned member of a science class at Saint Leo University in Florida. We studied the proposal in class, and I personally question your rationale in approving the Ivanpah Solar Electric Generating System (ISEGS) project. The project, even with the mitigation measures described in the Decision Report, will have remaining significant impacts on the environment that out weigh the benefits. In my own opinion on the Ivanpah project; why do we need to destroy more habitats. I understand that we need more energy but we need to be smarter with our land and more knowledgeable with our resources, and available technologies,

I also understand that we cannot progress without trial and error but using 4000 acres is not the way to test trial and error. The big businesses that want to move in and make a ton of money makes me angry, that a company like BP Oil can have a major natural disaster then go into a project slated to do only more damage to the environment. The most important part of all this is when do we draw a line for how much we can give to advance technology, and how we are going to be able limit the impacts on the environment.

Sincerely yours,

Ryan McArdell