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## **Objection to Lithium Battery Storage Facility**

A battery storage facility does not benefit South Orange County. Most, if not all, of the stored electricity will be sent to Los Angeles County. Regardless of the best precautions, a fire is a possibility. As we saw a couple of years ago, such a fire will go straight up the hill and engulf Marina Hills and the surrounding neighborhoods. Toxic smoke and other chemicals could linger in the soil for years. The mere existence of the facility could increase homeowner insurance premiums. Moreover, such a facility does nothing to combat climate change or encourage SDGE to invest in their infrastructure. Finally, what will happen to the batteries when their useful life expires. Will we bury them in the ocean. This is a green energy boondoggle funded with tax credits and our tax dollars.