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Concern about BESS project at San Juan Capistrano

I attended a local meeting regarding BESS battery facility project hosted at Laguna Niguel Community Center the other day, and I have a very serious concern about this project.

The proposed BESS facility location is too close to the residential areas and school areas of San Juan Capistrano and Laguna Niguel. My main concern is this facility can pose a severe fire treat and possible toxic emission in case of accidental fire and explosion. The proposed area is surrounded by a large dry area which had fire incident in the past. If there is any fire and explosion at this location, it will spread to the residential areas in Laguna Niguel and San Juan Capistrano so quickly, and many families in this area will lose their homes. The explosion will emit toxic into the air, and it will spread near by home and school area easily. The BESS facility should not be built close to any residential and school area, and BESS facility should be proposed to build in the area very far from any residential and school area.

I hope our voices are heard, and CEC will change the proposed location for this project.

Best regards,

Ken Koyabu