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## **I Oppose Compass Energy Storage**

I am writing in opposition to the proposed Compass Energy Storage facility in San Juan Capistrano, CA. As a resident of San Juan Capistrano, I have the following concerns:

- Land use: The city of San Juan Capistrano owns this land and originally opposed the project due to the land being reserved for other uses. Instead of going through a re-zoning process, the Company went to the State of California in an attempt to circumvent local residents.
- Cost: The proposed project is expected to cost \$300,000,000 without a clear path to being funded. Ultimately the cost will likely be paid by SD&E customers who already pay the highest electricity rates in the country. There is no clear path to reducing our costs.
- Hazardous Materials: Lithium Ion batteries have a long history of potentially lighting on fire which could release hazardous chemicals into the air, soil, and groundwater. Additionally, there have been multiple fires within a few miles of this locations over the past few years. This could also potentially lead to pollution risk.
- Other locations are available: There is abundant land in South Orange County, near transmission lines to build a storage facility. Why do it as close as possible to homes? Why not put it on the current site of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station?