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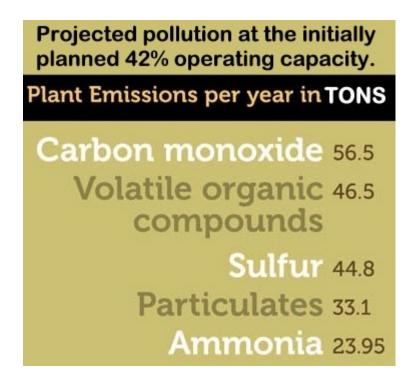
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assemblymember.block@assembly.ca.gov; senator.Kehoe@sen.ca.gov; CA52DHima@mail.house.gov **Subject:** Project #270282 (CEC record-Docket #11-AFC-03) - Quail Brush Power Plant CPA Initiation

California Energy Commission,

I strongly urge that you OPPOSE the initiation of rezoning open space to industrial in the East Elliot Community Plan and reject Cogentrix application. The plan specifically states that this open space is to be protected for recreational use, the Multi Species Conservation Program area, and because it "constitutes one of the largest and biologically, most important remaining open space areas in San Diego with a number of endangered and threatened wildlife species." A power plant or any heavy industrial use is contrary, impossible to mitigate for compliance, and presents a distinct danger to the citizens and children in Santee, Tierrasanta, Lakeside, and other neighboring communities.



The plan for eleven 100-foot-high smoke stacks spewing more than 200 tons of toxins and pollutants in the air every year is not acceptable for:

- Nearby parks—West Hills Park and Little League Field is less than ½ mile away
- Schools—West Hills High School and sports field less than a mile away
- Santee residents—55,000 people, including children and seniors with respiratory issues
- Mission Trails Regional Park Visual blight and pollution in this pristine and historic park

Both the applicant's and city staff's justifications fail to meet the criteria specified by the City for initiating an amendment. The impacts of this project are so severely adverse that any initial action requires a full environmental impact report—there is absolutely no justification for an exemption or deferral of environmental analysis to a later date or different agency.

The prospect of degrading Mission Trails Park and neighboring communities has been vigorously opposed at every public hearing—and it should be opposed by your vote! Our communities look to the Planning Commission and the City Council to ENFORCE our Laws, Ordinances, Regulations and Standards (LORS) and the City of San Diego General Plan policies, which have been well-thought through, carefully crafted and adopted for the protection and benefit of the communities they serve.

Respectfully,

Bill Cooper Santee, California