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re: REJECT Quail Brush AND Pio Pico Power Plants in San Diego ~ Comments & Photos

An Urgent Call for CEC and CPUC to PERMANENTLY REJECT both Quail Brush AND Pio

Pico Power Plants.pdf

Importance: High

Subject:

Attachments:

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Dear CEC (& CPUC) Commissioners,

San Diego has just posted its cleanest air quality in 58 years (http://www.sdapcd.org/Attain_App.pdf). Considering our region's air pollution problems historically, we (and you) cannot afford to turn back on these gains now.

With this in mind, you **must** Reject the pending proposed polluting Quail Brush & Pio Pico fossil fuel-burning power plants here in San Diego.

- CEC Docket #11-AFC-03 Quail Brush Power Generation Siting Case
- CEC Docket #11-AFC-01 Pio Pico Power Generation Siting Case

See attachment for our related Comments & Photos on these CEC Dockets/Siting Cases.

Regards, Scott & Janice Roussel Spring Valley, CA 91977 To: California Energy Commission (CEC) & California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Commissioners, Officers, Managers, et al Subj: An Urgent Call for CEC & CPUC to PERMANENTLY REJECT Quail Brush (#11-AFC-03) AND Pio Pico (#11-AFC-01) Power Plants From: Scott & Janice Roussel, Spring Valley, San Diego County, CA 91977

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QBGP's siting also threatens the outdoor activities, natural aesthetic, and enjoyment of all the local children, adults, families, and groups who use Mission Trails Regional Park (MTRP), as well as all those who live, work & go to school in the adjacent communities.

The QBGP's siting isn't compatible with many of the City of San Diego's Laws, Ordinances, Regulations, and Standards (LORS):

- 1) The East Elliott Community Plan appropriately and correctly sets aside the area as: Park, Open Space, and Recreation.
- 2) The Municipal Code designates the site as Single Family Residential (RS-1-8).
- 3) The City's Multi-Species Conservation Program (MSCP) "Subarea Plan" is not congruent with Industrial Zoning.
- 4) The Mission Trails Design District identifies the area for natural habitat & trail expansion. It is also an important wildlife corridor.

As local taxpayers, we object to further spending of taxpayer dollars in pursuit of a project that violates these consequential local land use provisions. MTRP is one of the most popular parks in San Diego County. The QBGP siting is *far too near* to its amazing scenic views, camping, fishing, Native American/historical sites, equestrian area, hiking & biking trails, and the San Diego River watershed.

We shot every one of the photos below at MTRP, which is adjacent to the proposed QBGP site. As anyone can plainly see, this is obviously no place for a power plant, especially an expensive, polluting fossil fuel plant that will be obsolete before it's even built.

So, we strongly urge CEC & CPUC to implement the "No Project Alternatives" permanently for Quail Brush and Pio Pico. We must abandon polluting energy technologies for all our state's future power plants, and this is a good start. CA should continue to lead our country into a better, cleaner & more secure energy future. We must champion & insist on renewables, conservation, efficiency, and new energy storage technologies for solar and wind. As with CA's mpg standards, which led to a sea-change on the federal level, we must be the change that is required nationally and globally. And, as caretakers of our children's future, you must stay the course.

Sincerely,

Scott & Janice Roussel





