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Comments urged on SCE's power line/substation proposals

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), is now receiving comments on the final draft environmental impact report for Southern California Edison's Valley-IvyGlen project and the proposed Alberhill substation.

The Valley-IvyGlen project, which Edison began nine years ago, will span 27 miles and bring a backup power source to Temescal Valley – currently only one line serves local consumers. The project calls for an above-ground, single-circuit 115-kV subtransmission line to run from the Valley substation in Menifee through Perris and Lake Elsinore, and continue into Temescal Valley, running north along De Palma Road adjacent to Horsethief Canyon Ranch and Glen Eden Sun Club.

The lines will cross to the east side of the 1-15 north of Glen Eden and continue along Temescal Canyon Road. They will be placed underground at about Indian Truck Trail, where they will continue to the IvyGlen substation on Temescal Canyon Road near Maitri Road.

The current 30- to 80-foot tall wooden poles will be replaced with 115-foot steel poles, plus additional steel poles will be added to the landscape.

The proposed 34-acre Alberhill substation will be constructed on 124 acres of land owned by Edison at the corner of Temescal Canyon and Concordia Ranch roads east of the 1-15.

The project calls for two 500-kV transmission lines to join the existing 500-kV Serrano-Valley transmission line near the Lake Mathews-Estelle Mountain Reserve in Temescal Valley.

Last May the CPUC held a scoping meeting to answer questions about the two projects and invite public comments for the draft EIR. There were a couple dozen people in attendance – 10 from Temescal Valley, the rest Lake Elsinore residents, and they voiced concerns about the projects' significant impacts noted by the CPUC. Most all said they wanted underground lines.

The draft EIR also includes possible alternatives to what is being proposed. The alternatives, in part, came from public comments the CPUC received last year during the scoping period. One alternative to the Valley-IvyGlen lines is VIG Alternative M that calls for the entire line to be installed underground.

READ THE DRAFT EIR AT:

<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Environment/info/ene/ivyglen/ivyglenDraftEIR.html>

EMAIL YOUR COMMENTS TO:

VIG.ASP@ene.com

DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, MAY 31



ALBERHILL SUBSTATION: A simulated view of the proposed substation from the northbound 1-15 looking toward Concordia Ranch Road.

About the alternatives ...

Alternative proposals in the draft environmental impact report were included based on public concerns during the scoping period last year. The CPUC then analyzed the alternatives to determine if they reduced at least one environmental impact of the proposed project.

For a better understanding of the alternatives, view the Draft Environmental Impact Report at:

<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/Environment/info/ene/ivyglen/ivyglenDraftEIR.html>

Click on 3.0 Description of Alternatives and 5.0 Comparison of Alternatives

Please **read more** about the alternative proposals **on Page 2** of this newsletter.

Arantine Hills decision due May 19

For people who have yet to offer official comments on Corona's proposed 1,800-home Arantine Hills project, there's another opportunity to do so. A public hearing, including the city's final vote on the project, will be held **6:30 p.m., Thursday, May 19** at **City Hall, 400 S. Vicentia Ave.**

Following a lengthy and controversial public hearing last month, the city's Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of the project to the City Council.

Learn more about that meeting at **www.WeAreTV.org**

Public comments will be accepted on the project at the May 19 meeting, with statements not to exceed three minutes. Comments also can be **emailed** to **City Clerk Lisa Mobley** at **lisa.mobley@ci.corona.ca.us** and must be received **no later than Tuesday, May 17.**

More about SCE alternatives

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Viable alternatives to the Valley-IvyGlen (VIG), transmission line include **VIG Alternative M** that would require the entire proposed project line to be undergrounded.

VIG Alternative A would alleviate the necessity for the line to cross the I-15 by extending it north from Glen Eden for another 2,000 feet. The line would be undergrounded at the south end of the Vons Shopping Center, continue down Campbell Ranch Road to Temescal Canyon Road to the IvyGlen substation.

Instead of crossing to the west side of the I-15 from the proposed Alberhill substation, **VIG Alternative C** would keep the line on the east side of the freeway running underground along Temescal Canyon Road to Horsethief Canyon Road, turning west under the I-15 and rising above ground at De Palma Road.

Two other alternatives – **B1** and **B2**, running above and below ground through Sycamore Creek along Santiago Canyon Road to Maitri Road, do not reduce the proposed project's impacts.

There are two alternatives for the proposed Alberhill substation. **ASP Alternative B** would add all gas-insulated switchgear at the substation reducing several environmental impacts.

ASP Alternative DD relocates the substation to property within the Serrano Specific Plan. Approved by the county in 2010, the 489-acre Serrano Commerce Center is zoned for light industrial, commercial retail and open space. The property is on the east side of the I-15 and stretches from Temescal Canyon Road on the north to Temescal Canyon Road on the south adjacent to the freeway underpass. Development of the property never began and was further waylaid by the recession.

ASP Alternative DD would place the substation in the northern portion of the property adjacent to the former Rincor pipe plant.

The CPUC determined this alternative is aesthetically superior to the Alberhill proposal because it is not visible from the I-15. It will be visible to Dawson Canyon, Spanish Hills and future Terramor residents. The CPUC notes that the substation's location next to the Temescal Wash could be detrimental to this alternative, but views Serrano as being less impactful overall than Alberhill.

Unknown are the impacts the substation would have on requirements of the Serrano Specific Plan which call for hiking trails, a Temescal Valley Town Center in the plan's commercial retail-zoned acreage and a secondary road to redirect truck traffic from the west side to the east side of the freeway.

IT'S TIME FOR THE FAIRE!

The 16th Annual Temescal Valley Community Faire will be held Saturday, May 21 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Deleo Park.

Here's what's in store – live music, entertainment, games, crafts, door prizes, bouncers, rock wall, obstacle course, petting zoo, face painting, train rides, dunk tank and lots of free watermelon -- plus 50-cent hotdogs! There will be booths and exhibits, and opportunities to meet your elected officials.

See the Temescal Valley Community Faire Facebook page for information about the Pet Show and Photo Contest.

As the Faire grows bigger and better each year, more volunteers are needed. We're running short this year – if you can work a three-hour shift, please email **Volunteer Coordinator Jannlee Watson** at jannlee.watson@ca.rr.com

CALENDAR

EVENTS

- **Blood Drive & Marrow Screening:** Temescal Valley Elementary School, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., **Wednesday, May 18.** Not necessary, but appointments preferred: kaseybrennan@yahoo.com.
- **Temescal Valley Little League:** Closing Ceremonies, 9 to 10 a.m., **Saturday, May 21**, Deleo Regional Sports Park.
- **16th Annual Temescal Valley Community Faire:** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., **Saturday, May 21**, Deleo Regional Sports Park. Live music, entertainment, games, crafts, door prizes and many exhibits. Plus **FREE** watermelon, bouncers, rock wall, obstacle course, petting zoo, face painting, train rides and 50-cent hot dogs. Pet Show and Photo Contest.
- **Memorial Day:** Remembering our nation's heroes, **Monday, May 30.**
- **Temescal Canyon High School Graduation:** 8 p.m., **Tuesday, May 31**, Diamond Stadium, Lake Elsinore.
- **Santiago High School Graduation:** 6:30 p.m., **Wednesday, June 1**, Santiago High School.
- **Centennial High School Graduation:** 7 p.m., **Wednesday, June 1**, Centennial High School.
- **El Cerrito County Library:** 7581 Rudell Road, behind El Cerrito Middle School. Many fun activities for the kids! 951-270-5012 or visit the library on Facebook.
- **Tom's Farms:** Every weekend -- **Craft faire**, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; **live music**, 1 to 4 p.m.; **Magic Show**, noon and 2 p.m. **"Swingin' Saturday Nights,"** last Saturday of the month — **FREE** swing dance lesson at 6 p.m.; open dancing 6:30 to 8 p.m.

TEMESCAL VALLEY MEETINGS

- **We Are Temescal Valley Development Committee:** 6:30 p.m., **Monday, May 16**, Temescal Room, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Public Safety Committee:** 6:30 p.m., **Monday, May 23**, Trilogy Lodge, Temescal Room, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.
- **Temescal Valley Water District Board Meeting:** 8:30 a.m., **Tuesday, May 24**, 22646 Temescal Canyon Road.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Identity Committee:** 6 p.m., **Thursday, June 2**, Senor Tom's restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley Beautification Committee:** 7 p.m., **Thursday, June 2**, Senor Tom's restaurant.
- **We Are Temescal Valley citizens' group:** 8:30 a.m., **Saturday, June 4**, Trilogy Lodge, Temescal Room, 24503 Trilogy Parkway. This meeting is open to the public -- find out what's happening in Temescal Valley!
- **Temescal Valley MAC:** The Temescal Valley Municipal Advisory Council meets 7 p.m., **Wednesday, June 8**, Trilogy Lodge, 24503 Trilogy Parkway.

MEETINGS THAT AFFECT US

- **Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting:** 4 p.m., **Thursday, May 12**, 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.
- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9 a.m., **Tuesday, May 17**, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Corona City Council: Public hearing on Arantine Hills, the 1,800-home development to be built south of Cajalco Road,** 6:30 p.m., **Thursday, May 19**, City Hall, 400 S. Vicentia Ave. (City Council meetings can be viewed live on Time Warner Cable Channel 29)
- **Riverside County Board of Supervisors:** 9 a.m., **Tuesday, May 24**, Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon St., Riverside.
- **Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Board Meeting:** 4 p.m., **Thursday, May 26**, 31315 Chaney St., Lake Elsinore.