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July 15, 2008

Mr. James Garland, Project Coordinator
Riverside County Facilities Management
1855 Chicago Avenue
Riverside, CA 92507

Comment 37

Re: Tower Plans at Rancho Carrillo

cc: Bob Buster, 1st District, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

To: James Garland,

I am writing to express support for the PSEC project, however, as a Rancho Carrillo resident I am also writing to express that the proposed site outside our community is not a suitable location for several reasons.

First, the five mile private road to Rancho Carrillo is entirely funded by residents, and any additional use, notably by heavy trucks and vans, would impact our resources and increase our liability. Any use of the road would have to be granted by easement and since the homeowners association owns the road, a vote would have to occur. Our association is not in favor of the proposed tower location and therefore an easement is highly unlikely. Our residents cannot afford an increase in road expense or liability, and any increase could result in financial ruin of the homeowners association and/or individual residents.

37-1

Second, most residents purchased in Rancho Carrillo in part because the road is private. Over 80% of the residents have small children, horses, or dogs that use the roads and our residents are extremely cautious and limit their speed to 15 miles per hour for safety. There is no way to ensure that riverside county maintenance or construction works would drive 15 miles per hour. Further, on any given day, several people horseback ride through the community and large trucks can cause safety concerns for those on horseback. It is neighborhood practice to slow down and cut the engine while passing residents on horseback. We cannot trust Riverside employees would abide by this rule.

37-2

Third, the 2000 gallon propane tank poses an extreme fire risk in a community that is already concerned about fire. To have a propane tank near the community that we have no control over the maintenance or safety of would cause great concern. Some of our neighbors have lost homes and animals to the fires and are extremely sensitive to tanks that pose fire danger.

37-3

Fourth, the impact on our surrounding wilderness is substantial. We strive as a community to leave the wilderness in the condition we found it. Your positioning of the tower means that you have to access it through the wilderness, sending trucks, gas tankers, and workers through the sensitive federal wilderness land that our community cherishes.

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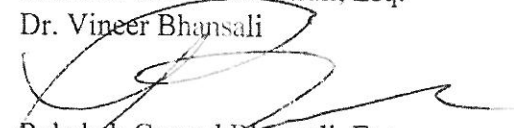
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Your organization has several other options, including Sitton Peak, where you would not enter a unique and close knit community like Rancho Carrillo. Please don't hesitate to call either of us to further discuss our concerns.

37-5

Sincerely,

Rebekah Conrad Bhansali, Esq.
Dr. Vineer Bhansali



Rebekah Conrad Bhansali, Esq.
Dr. Vineer Bhansali
28273 Carrillo Road
Rancho Carrillo, California

Mailing Address:
2821 Ridge Drive
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

(949) 728-1497

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Dr. Vineer Bhansali & Rebekah Conrad Bhansali (July 15, 2008)

Response to Comment 37-1

This comment has already been addressed in Response to Comment 22-5 and 22-22.

Response to Comment 37-2

This comment has already been addressed in response to Comment 22-5 and 22-22. The County does not propose to operate any equipment on area roadways in an unsafe manner, and the commentor provides no evidence that would indicate otherwise.

Response to Comment 37-3

This comment has already been addressed in Response to Comment 22-9 and 22-16.

Response to Comment 37-4

This comment has already been addressed in Response to Comment 22-9.

Response to Comment 37-5

This comment has already been addressed in Response to Comment 22-23.

W24

PO Box 1191
Idyllwild, CA 92549
July 19, 2008

Comment 38

Riverside County
Dept of Facilities Management
Attn: Ms. Ashley Mitchell
PO Box 789
Riverside, CA 92502-0789

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

I am writing in response to the EIR for the Public Safety Enterprise Communications Project. Towers should not be located within a half mile of any residence, school, church, or any building which houses people. Towers should not be visible from any scenic highway regardless of configuration.

38-1

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

Trish Tuley
Trish Tuley

08 JUL 21 AM 11:35

Trish Tuley (July 19, 2008)

Response to Comment 38-1

There are no applicable regulations that prohibit placement of towers within one-half mile of inhabited structures or within sight of a scenic highway. Therefore, the comment asserts the opinion of the author in regards to how the project should be developed. This comment does not raise any new environmental issues not already thoroughly analyzed in the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is needed (*Twain Harte Homeowners Ass'n v. County of Butte* (1977) 138 Cal.App.3d 664, 679).

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PO Box 455
Mountain Center, CA 92561
July 23, 2008

08 JUL 24 PM 12:08

Riverside County
Department of Facilities Management
Attn: Ms Ashley Mitchell
PO Box 789
Riverside, CA 92502-0789

Comment 39

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

Regarding the EIR for the Public Safety Enterprise Communications Project, please consider placement in relation to people. Please do not place any tower within one-half mile of any residence. Please do not place any tower within sight from a designated California scenic highway.

39-1

Thank you for your consideration.



Dore Capitani

Dore Capitani (June 20, 2008)

Response to Comment 39-1

There are no applicable regulations that prohibit placement of towers within one-half mile of inhabited structures or within sight of a scenic highway. Therefore, the comment asserts the opinion of the author in regards to how the project should be developed. This comment does not raise any new environmental issues not already thoroughly analyzed in the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is needed (*Twain Harte Homeowners Ass'n v. County of Butte* (1977) 138 Cal.App.3d 664, 679).

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Subject: Response to PSEC Project NOP
Wednesday, July 23, 2008
From: Dean and Jeannine Smith

County of Riverside
Department of Facilities Management
PO Box 789
Riverside, Ca 92502-0789

Comment 40

Cc: Bob Buster, 1st District, Riverside County Board of Supervisors

Re: Response to PSEC Project NOP

We are owners of home in the remote community of Rancho Carrillo. Our rural community has been designated as a proposed antenna site for the PSEC project.

Our Rancho Carrillo Homeowners Association has filed letters stating our opposition to placement of an antenna within our community.

Our resources are serviced by Orange County for emergency response and Riverside is not covering our 60 residences. The tower will not improve Fire, Sheriff or Highway Patrol services provided by Orange County to our community.

40-1

The height of the tower is not in compliance with our rural community as we have all utilities underground and not even streets lights are provided to keep with our natural surroundings. We have always strived to remain in harmony with the surrounding wilderness area.

40-2

We at Rancho Carrillo have strict property zoning restrictions. The CC&R's govern our properties and the tower is not in compliance with these rules. We provide and maintain at our expense the roads in our community and they are private property. The installation and maintenance of the tower will cause wear and tare on our roads at our expense.

40-3

In summary, there is not a benefit to our community and the structure should be utilized at a facility area that would benefit from it. It is not necessary to cause Rancho Carrillo the disruption from construction of the tower and the loss rural esthetics when it will be utilized better in a more central location of the county of Riverside.

40-4

Sincerely,

Dean Smith and Jeannine Smith

08 JUL 28 AM 11: 27

Dean & Jeannine Smith (July 23, 2008)

Response to Comment 40-1

The reader is misinformed regarding interoperability components of the proposed project. See Response to Comment 29-4 and 30-3.

Response to Comment 40-2

This comment has already been responded to in Response to Comment 22-9.

Response to Comment 40-3

This comment has already been responded to in Response to Comment 22-5, 22-18, and 22-22.

Response to Comment 40-3

The County appreciates the commentor's interest in the proposed project..

From: kelly@scgelectric.com [mailto:kelly@scgelectric.com]
Sent: Fri 6/6/2008 10:59 PM
To: EIR
Subject: EIR report and private property

Comment 41

Hello Ashley,

We submitted comments a couple of months ago to box 789; however, it was returned.wonder why ?

We live in Rancho Carrillo and are concerned about losing our property.

Who do we call to discuss what the agency MIGHT do ?

Tx...Kelly

P: 949.728.9941 F: 949.728.9943 C:714.369.5719

27762 Antonio Pkwy L1-633 Ladera Ranch, CA 92694

41-1

Kelly (June 6, 2008)

Response to Comment 41-1

The information requested by the commenter was sent at the time the request was made.

From: jp@towncrier.com [mailto:jp@towncrier.com]

Sent: Fri 6/6/2008 4:08 PM

To: EIR

Subject: Draft Program EIR for PSEC project

Comment 42

Dear sirs,

the notice of availability of draft PEIR for the PSEC project says the document is online at <http://psec.co.riverside.ca.us/> obviously I found the site but not the draft document. Is it online yet or did I miss something

42-1

thank you

J P Crumrine
Idyllwild Town Crier
951 659-2145

J.P. Crumrine (June 6, 2008)

Response to Comment 42-1

The information requested by the commenter was sent at the time the request was made.

From: suzy17@verizon.net [mailto:suzy17@verizon.net]

Sent: Mon 6/9/2008 11:27 AM

To: EIR

Subject: The PSEC project

Comment 43

We strongly object to the placement of a radio tower off of Scenic Highway 243 in Mountain Center, CA. Not only are these towers aesthetically unappealing and do not conform to the natural surrounding beauty of the Idyllwild area, but would also impact the nighttime environment. The safety of such towers is also in question.

PLEASE---in order to retain the natural surrounding of Idyllwild--DO NOT place a tower in the Idyllwild area.

Sincerely,

Suzon and Peter Capparelli

PO Box 3599

Idyllwild, CA 92549

43-1

Suzon & Peter Capparelli (June 9, 2008)

Response to Comment 43-1

Though the commentor does not indicate a specific site they object to, the only site that is proposed to be constructed near Highway 243 is the Ranger Peak site, which is located near an existing communication tower near the USFS Vista Grande fire station. This site is actually nine air miles from Idyllwild. It is approximately 14 road miles from Idyllwild via Highway 243. Therefore, the project is not in the vicinity of Idyllwild. In addition, the tower site is only visible from Highway 243 for several seconds as drivers make their way up the highway, and then only if intense effort is made to see the site. The site's position upslope from the highway in this location make it extremely unlikely that any person traveling the highway will notice the tower. Thus, it is very unlikely that the tower will significantly impact views from a scenic highway.

The commentor also suggests that the proposed tower would impact the nighttime environment, presumably due to lighting. The Ranger Peak site, however, will not require a warning beacon or strobe light. The only lighting that will be present at the site will be a low-wattage motion sensor activated security light mounted to the outside of the equipment shelter. This light will be on very infrequently, and due to its position on the site will not be visible from Highway 243.

The commentor indicated that the tower's safety may also be in question. However, the commentor provides no discussion or evidence to help the County understand exactly how the tower would be unsafe. Therefore, the County cannot respond to the commentor's assertion. Regardless, all County towers will be constructed to professional engineering standards, so safety impacts would be insignificant. Considering that the project's intent is to provide adequate emergency communications to the County's law enforcement personnel, firefighters, and their cooperators, safety is the primary impetus for this project and will continue to be so through the life of the project.

From: EIR
Sent: Thu 6/12/2008 1:49 PM
To: EIR
Cc: ELARA@HUBGROUP.COM
Subject: Request for Comments Notice of Draft

Comment 44

WEB FORM SUBMISSION:

FULLNAME: EDDIE LARA

ZIP: 92553

COMMENTS: I believe this project would equip the emergency reponse teams with the proper tools to serve our communities during an emergency as well as for regular police patrols.A quick thought on emergency response teams without proper tools(It's would be like sending a fireman to a fire without a hose)

44-1

EMAIL: ELARA@HUBGROUP.COM

ADDRESS: 24508 ONEIDA ST

CITY: MORENEO VALLEY

Eddie Lara (June 12, 2008)

Response to Comment 44-1

The County appreciates the commentor's interest in the project. The comment asserts the opinion of the author in regards to how the project should be developed. This comment does not raise any new environmental issues not already thoroughly analyzed in the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is needed (*Twain Harte Homeowners Ass'n v. County of Butte* (1977) 138 Cal.App.3d 664, 679).

From: EIR
Sent: Fri 6/13/2008 8:56 AM
To: EIR
Cc: jamesfamily1@verizon.net
Subject: Request for Comments Notice of Draft

Comment 45

WEB FORM SUBMISSION:

FULLNAME: Curt James

ZIP: 92545

COMMENTS: I fully support this project. The radio system in this county is in dire need of replacement. With the diverse topography in Riverside County it is imperative that we have a radio system that allows Sheriff and Fire personnel the ability to stay in communication with their dispatch centers and fellow co-workers regardless of their location.

45-1

ADDRESS: 225 Cavendish Drive

EMAIL: jamesfamily1@verizon.net

CITY: Hemet

Curt James (June 13, 2008)

Response to Comment 45-1

The County appreciates the commentor's interest in the project. The comment asserts the opinion of the author in regards to how the project should be developed. This comment does not raise any new environmental issues not already thoroughly analyzed in the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is needed (*Twain Harte Homeowners Ass'n v. County of Butte* (1977) 138 Cal.App.3d 664, 679).

From: EIR
Sent: Tue 6/17/2008 9:53 AM
To: EIR
Cc: Duane.Chamlee@verizon.net
Subject: Request for Comments Notice of Draft

Comment 46

WEB FORM SUBMISSION:

FULLNAME: Duane Chamlee

ZIP: 92557

COMMENTS----

Is there a map of the tower locations available on line ?

I went thru the web site and could not locate one.

Thank You

Duane Chamlee

ADDRESS: 11039 Mountain Crest Dr

EMAIL: Duane.Chamlee@verizon.net

CITY: Moreno Valley

46-1

Duane Chamlee (June 17, 2008)

Response to Comment 46-1

The information requested by the commenter was sent at the time the request was made.

From: EIR
Sent: Tue 6/17/2008 9:59 AM
To: EIR
Cc: goodmagician@verizon.net
Subject: Request for Comments Notice of Draft

Comment 47

WEB FORM SUBMISSION:

FULLNAME: Chas Roberts

ZIP: 92584

COMMENTS----

I am writing to offer my support for this project and I want to say that the benefits of this upgrade will be extremely valuable to everyone in the County. I cannot see that there is any downside to improving communications, and I believe that if there are any small environmental concerns, they will be mitigated and controlled to minimize the effect, and should not be used as a deterrent to progress.

This upgrade WILL SAVE LIVES, and MUST be completed.

Yours truly,
Chas Roberts

ADDRESS: 28481 Oasis View Circle

EMAIL: goodmagician@verizon.net

CITY: Menifee

47-1

Chas Roberts (June 17, 2008)

Response to Comment 47-1

The County appreciates the commentor's interest in the project. The comment asserts the opinion of the author in regards to how the project should be developed. This comment does not raise any new environmental issues not already thoroughly analyzed in the Draft EIR; therefore, no further response is needed (*Twain Harte Homeowners Ass'n v. County of Butte* (1977) 138 Cal.App.3d 664, 679).

From: tlove9222@msn.com [mailto:tlove9222@msn.com]
Sent: Tue 6/17/2008 1:47 PM
To: EIR
Subject: proposed tower

Comment 48

Attn: Ms. Ashley Mitchell

I am writing because I am concerned about the proposed radio tower in my Homeland, California neighborhood. Homeland is a growing area. There are several proposed high density housing developments close to the property designated for the radio tower. One such proposed development is across the street from the proposed tower.

Also, my house is in the direct line of sight of the radio tower property. For over twenty years, I have also worked at a local elementary school within one block of the tower, so I am very familiar with the community. There are several new developments set to be built in the next couple of years, including new parks close to the proposed tower. To summarize, this is a community set to experience explosive growth.

I am concerned about the negative impact that a high profile tower will have on my property value. Also, the tower would negatively affect the aesthetics of our neighborhood, and the proposed construction in the community.

This is a residential community that is not an appropriate placement for the tower.

Please seriously consider locating the tower in a more appropriate area.

Sincerely,

Terri M. Love

25455 Charina Lane
Homeland, CA 92548

48-1

48-2

Terri Love (June 17, 2008)

Response to Comment 48-1

The County agrees with the commentor that the Homeland area is set to experience significant growth. The PSEC project is intended to provide for adequate emergency communication in all areas of the County, and to all residents, present and future. The Homeland area is currently not served with adequate radio coverage for law enforcement and firefighting personnel. The explosive growth that the commentor refers to provides an even more compelling reason to construct an effective emergency services communication network. The proposed Homeland site is a vital part of that network.

Response to Comment 48-2

The County recognizes that there will be some change to the existing visual environment at the Homeland site. However, there are no applicable regulations that prohibit placement of towers within residential areas. Therefore, the comment asserts the opinion of the author in regards to how the project should be developed, and no further response is needed (*Twain Harte Homeowners Ass'n v. County of Butte* (1977) 138 Cal.App.3d 664, 679).