

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LUCERNE VALLEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (LVEDA) OPPOSING LADWP'S PROPOSED HIGH TENSION POWER TRANSMISSION LINES THROUGH LUCERNE VALLEY (COUNTY SERVICE AREA 29)

WHEREAS, LVEDA members are aware of the proposed project by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to build high tension power transmission lines through the Morongo Basin and Lucerne Valley, claiming the "Green Path North Project" is for the purpose of attaining alternative energy goals in the Los Angeles region. Hereafter, in this resolution, the proposed project will be referred to as the "Power Project".

WHEREAS, the local residents of Lucerne Valley and the Morongo Basin will not receive, and have no desire to receive any benefit or energy savings from this proposed project,

WHEREAS, the "Power Project" is inconsistent with, and will be very detrimental to, the primary goals and policies incorporated within the Lucerne Valley Community Plan :

- A. Conservation of natural resources and scenic beauty
- B. Maintain the natural desert landscape and appearance
- C. Avoid conflict with existing and designated land-uses along the proposed corridor in s. Lucerne Valley

WHEREAS, the "Power Project" will cause an immediate and dramatic drop in local residents' property values due to destroyed views along the Hwy. 18 scenic corridor; and

WHEREAS, the vicinity of the proposed corridor is home to an array of ecologically diverse habitats, plant and animal populations, some of which are listed "Federal and State Rare or Endangered",

WHEREAS, there is a risk for many home and property owners that their property will be seized via eminent domain and,

WHEREAS, there are possible health risks for people living in proximity of high tension transmission lines,

WHEREAS, there is an increased public safety threat due to fire from high tension lines from earthquakes, etc. within this corridor's high seismic and "Wildland Fire" area; and

WHEREAS, this proposed project will have a negative impact on Lucerne Valley's land-use options, greatly limiting the already restricted economic prospects of the region; and

WHEREAS, LVEDA has voiced strong objections to the "Power Project" and its strong desire to support The California Desert Coalition in their opposition to said "Power Project";

NOW THEREFORE, THE LVEDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The above recitals are true and correct.
2. The Board is strongly opposed to the "Power Project" and to any high tension power lines passing through Lucerne Valley in a new corridor.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED: December 4, 2007

Chuck Bell, LVEDA Secretary _____