

Concerns about AES Solar and Battery Storage Project

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I live in the Eldorado community on the western edge of the development. I am very concerned about the following hazards for this potential project:

- 1. Fire danger, including emergency evacuations with limited exit points and possible loss of insurance policies for our area. For example, if a fire occurs during the spring windy season or a severe drought it would be difficult to contain.
- 2. Loss of wildlife habitat.
- 3. Decrease in property values as the solar installation will be visible from some of the homes.
- 4. Noise and light pollution. We live in a dark sky community and it could be affected with required lighting.
- 5. Location of the project near three large communities.

I wish to express these concerns in opposition to a vote of approval from the county commissioners.

Sincerely, Laurie Nelson