



Proposed AES project

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To the Santa Fe County Commission,

Have you considered the impact to county revenues due to lowered property values in the area affected by the proposed AES project? Eldorado is already in a high fire zone and if the AES project is constructed, how do you think the insurance industry will respond? Do you think that with the addition of a potential ignition source that cannot be extinguished, homeowner policy cancellations and non-renewals will increase? How will that affect the resale value of properties and consequential tax assessments?

Since county commissioners are limited to two terms, maybe those decision makers in office now won't have to address these problems as it will take some time to trickle down. But why would you put your homeowners at risk when there is plenty of open space with no homes or businesses in the county and surrounding counties? Maybe we have to learn the hard way, as Monterey County is doing now. Even without a fire at the proposed plant, approval of this project could reduce the county tax revenues collected from the impacted communities.

Please think about this and deny the conditional use permit for the AES facility. There are safer places for this facility.

Sincerely,
Leslie Bischoff