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To the Board of County Commissioners:

This project is wrong on so many levels. I will outline some of the ones that are most concerning.

- In the United States we are experiencing an "insurance epidemic non-renewal homeowners" where policies are not being renewed by insurance companies often due to escalating climate-related risks. Some property owners are already facing this challenge and will impact many more of us if this inappropriate development is allowed so close to our homes. Non-renewal can mean the inability to get any insurance or a dramatic increase in the price of insurance. This impacts retired people the hardest as they are mostly on a fixed income.
- Our homes are already in a "high fire risk" area due to extremely high winds and dry climate.
- If homes can't be insured then they can't be sold.
- Property values fell 27% in Moss Landing after the fire disaster.
- Zoning must be changed to allow for a commercial venture this close to homes. The wisdom of the original zoning should stand. Our homes were there first. New Mexico has many zillions of acres of land for this type of industrial project that is away from population development.
- This is a land locked piece of land with two main roads in and out. Should an evacuation be needed and emergency crews are trying to get in this would be a disaster for a mostly older retired population.
- This project will ruin our dark night sky with lights on all night every night. This is a big part of the appeal of our precious community.
- The county has no capability to respond to this type of disaster.
- The AES documentation says no response is allowed for the first 6 hours.

Common sense needs to prevail here. I am retired from a lifetime of service in the Environmental field. I want all the good things we need to address climate change and heal our planet; but, there is a time and place where commercial ventures fit and this is not that location.

- High Wind

- Land locked / limited access
- Danger to elderly and children
- Harm to our dark night sky
- Creating situations where homes can't be insured or not at a reasonable cost
- Drop in property values which impacts the county tax revenue
- Plenty of better land options.

In the end we can not eat money. We must prioritize people and quality of life instead of giant corporations. They can build this project away from homes and they should want to if they want to be good neighbors. I ask each person to look and see what motivates those that support this project when the community does not want it. Who will bail us out when we can't insure our homes or sell them for what we paid for them? Who will clean up the medical pieces when we breath toxic fumes from a fire? Who will provide relocation assistance when the community must evacuate? Who will respond to an emergency? We simply can't put our collective heads in the sand and say oh it won't happen here. It will happen the only question is when. There are too many variables that set this up to be a disaster in the making.

Sincerely,

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