HOMESTEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Newsletter December 2018

Meetings start at 3:00 p.m.

Monday, Jan 21, 3:00 pm, Landers Belfield Hall

One Voice for the People of Homestead Valley Monday, Feb 18, Johnson Valley Community Center

Approximation of the Siting of the Proposed Ord Mountain Solar and Calcite Substation Projects An Industrial Visual Intrusion for Miles Around

Ord Mountain Solar and Calcite Substation, significant industrial visual intrusions in the scenic corridor of the Barstow Rd section of Hwy 247 descending from the pass between the Ord and Sawtooth Mountains

Ord Mountain Solar and Calcite Substation in view of the Old Woman Springs Rd section of Hwy 247, as well as dominating the view from alluvial slopes below the San Bernardino Mountains occupied by residents of Lucerne Valley

NextEra high security fencing adds site-long visual intrusion as well as obscuring mountain views from homeowners' adjacent properties

Edison's Calcite Substation assures more cumulative effects, more solar fields, and the probability of transmission towers along Lucerne Valley Cutoff Road, crossing the full width of this view – the former Coolwater-Lugo transmission corridor

Hwy 247

Scenic 247 Comments on Ord Mountain Solar and Calcite Substation Projects

The Scenic 247 Committee used photos as a visual comment on the Environmental Impact Report to show how vast a visual intrusion these projects will bring to the Hwy 247 scenic corridor.

The dramatic view coming down from the mountain pass on the Barstow Road Section will end up showcasing an industrial nightmare of reflective panels and 70-ft-high power poles. The very reason

for the Calcite substation is to crowd even more solar projects into this view. These projects will dominate a huge area and create an eyesore for miles for the traveler on the highway, as well as many residents in Lucerne Valley.

Visual intrusion, only one of the many ways these projects harm our desert communities. Even the developer acknowledges they cannot hide the damage.



The mostly undeveloped scenic corridor circled in red is at risk for massive industrial solar fields: over 5,000 acres north of Lucerne Valley and on State Lands in the community of Johnson Valley

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