

Title: Scattergood Line 1 Comment Letter	Item No. _____
Meeting date: December 1, 2009	
Agendized by: Denny Schneider	
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Committee Vote (if appropriate):	
Does this item have a fiscal impact on the Neighborhood Council? ____ Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Additional documents attached? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes ____ No	

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that NCWP send the attached letter commenting on the issues related to DWP's routing of the high voltage Scattergood Line 1 which will go through our neighborhood to the Scattergood power station

BACKGROUND:

LADWP arrived on our doorstep at the Oct 6 Board meeting to acquaint us with a project that they had planned and released a Mitigated Negative Declaration to justify its impacts. Subsequently we have held several meetings on this subject and joined with other NCs as part of an ad hoc committee to fete out the real facts and to resolve the health and traffic issues.

DISCUSSION:

LADWP project personnel came forward to let us know about their intent to bury a 230KV power line along several of our local streets including some small residential ones such as Vista del Mar lane. It is being billed as a redundant power line to the substation in the Olympic area that is necessary because there have been outages caused by failure of the existing main line. High anxiety surrounds this project due to the potential health impacts from the electromagnetic field. Traffic congestion during construction is a second, lesser issue but one none-the less. DWP action delayed to Jan 15, but we continue to seek information about the health impacts and potential for changing the line routing away from local residential areas.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

None to the NC

ATTACHMENTS:

Comment letter to S. David Freeman, GM LADWP calling for EIR and expressing concerns.

MOTION:

Recommend NCWP express concerns with the proposed project as configured, demand that an EIR be written in place of a Mitigated Negative Declaration, and that we continue to work via the existing ad hoc committee to ensure an acceptable line routing is chosen before the project is approved by DWP. The attached letter should be sent to the addressee with a copy to Councilmember Bill Rosendahl.