

I don't understand why the county Planning Department has allowed the use of applicant-funded studies for the EIR analysis. Excelaron's Hydrology and noise studies are in direct conflict with the studies funded by the community and yet the EIR is just going to peer review Excelaron's studies.

Excelaron's studies were based on a project description that has not been evaluated by the EIR and the data used for these studies has not been analyzed or confirmed.

Their emissions study is based on figures supplied by the applicant that haven't been reviewed, like their claim that a 35 kilowatt generator is only going to burn 23 gallons of propane a day. And where in the emissions analysis do they analyze emissions from the burning of 13,000 cubic feet per day of unrefined produced gas?

It looks to me like county Planning is going to end up with a controversial EIR and the county will end up getting sued. The people who are going to lose are the county taxpayers. If you are going to spend our taxpayer dollars analyzing this project, do it right!

In addition, the EIR should analyze the impact of having to import water from neighboring communities if the shallow, fragile drinking water aquifer in Huasna is polluted or depleted by this project. Does Arroyo Grande or Nipomo even have enough drinking water to pipe in to Huasna? Would the county have to truck in water? What would happen to the viability of agriculture in Huasna in that case?