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Subject: An Open Letter for the Hualapai Valley Solar Meeting Tuesday, 6-15-10 at 10:00 a.m. To Whomever It May Concern



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I am absolutely opposed to any alternative energy project which is planning to use wet cooling technology instead of dry cooling.

There are a few projects proposed for Mohave County which presume they are "green" and "renewable" energy. Hopefully your office has been informed of these and have been tracking their progress. They are commonly referred to as the Spanish Company Albiassa or Hualapai Valley Solar - South HWY 93 and Red Lake Power projects. These projects plan to cover hundreds of acres of land which will have to be cleared and flattened. Besides the concerns of disturbing residential and agricultural homesteads, dust, and creating heat island problems - There are **considerable issues with wasting water resources** (to the tune of more than 2 million gallons of water per day on one project alone!) by not following the Department of Energy opinions that no new power stations should be allowed to be built that waste water which is especially precious in the Mohave Desert, and their recommendations that all solar projects should utilize air or hybrid cooling methods instead of water to run and cool their steam turbine generators.

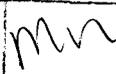
The economic trade-offs have been well documented by the DOE as minimal and all these issues have been brought up to the Planning and Zoning Offices, community representatives and organizers; as well as to the District 1 representative Gary Watson who wants to welcome the new development but is also concerned about the impacts to the local communities and especially about the water usage from Arizona's limited aquifers.

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We seek support for four simple and inexpensive requirements of all

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1. They should follow DOE guidance and recommendations to utilize air cooling to save water and truly qualify these as Green projects.
2. They should agree to follow community standards and practices for noise abatement and low light infringement planning on local communities.
3. They should not disturb or harm (state and Local restrictions) natural low lying flood plain drainage, animal migration paths, and riparian pathways.
4. They should be expected to provide for or replace any private access requirements of the local community to skirt around these compounds.

The last three of these subjects can be accommodated by using the same equipment and manpower which would have to be on site to flatten the terrain anyway and building simple earthen embankments to block noise, dust, light, and heat island winds from the site or simply extend existing access roads around their projects. The first one would require some more engineering and according to the DOE an additional cost of only between 2 - 4% of the project – well worth the cost to really qualify as a green project and protect our water resources.

Most Respectfully,

Gene Bishop
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I urge everyone to take a few minutes to write a letter for this cause...

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From: Denise Bensusan@hughes.net [mailto:denisebensusan@hughes.net]
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Subject: IMPORTANT the only chance the public will get to speak on Hualapai Valley Solar is Tuesday, 6-15-10 at 10:00 a.m.

Hi guys,

IMPORTANT the only chance the public will get to speak on Hualapai Valley Solar is Tuesday, 6-15-10 at 10:00 a.m. at the Powerhouse downtown!

ALSO If you can write up a short letter stating your opposition to the WET-cooled Hualapai Valley Solar Project and send it to me or bring it with you this is written opposition that will be part of the written record. . if you email it to me I'll print them off and take them with me to the hearing. Just make sure your PHONE NUMBER and email addy if you send it via email. OR you can fax it to me at 928-692-6993. No cover sheet necessary and its always on!

The hearing is at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow TUESDAY June 15th. if you and any of your friends can make it **PLEASE COME and express your displeasure with the HUGE WATER USAGE this plant wants to utilize!**

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"The world is not dangerous because of those who do harm, but because of those who look at it without doing anything." - Albert Einstein
" Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Mead in response to Robert Moses revitalization plan for Lower Manhattan.