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Dear RAWG

Re: Public comment input for the Oct 6,2020 RAWG webcast meeting.

It is difficult to ensure there is time for all public inputs or that they are incorporated in detail during online meeting. So I prefer to provide my input by email prior to the meeting. I did read though the packet of information provided for that meeting.

My input is regarding items **missing** from the EIR.

Everyone is focused on the path forward and the environment consequences.

What I did not see on page 10, Environment Issues Areas, is any evaluation and environment consequences of area that are abandoned or omitted. For example

1) Refuel, repair, and maintenance yard and facilities are notorious for contaminated soil from fuel, grease and other hydrocarbons used for Caltrans combustion locomotive engines. Will the EIR incorporate remediation activities for public transportation facilities that are not reused?

2a) Will the EIR consider mitigating the hazards and biological impacts of high voltage electrical power wires impacting local wildlife and birds. Distorted magnetic direction for birds, electrocution by touching wires, or RF arcing on nearby metallic objects?

2b) There may also be environment impact to people wearing pacemakers, oxygen delivery systems or other medical devices.

3) Beyond detrimental effects, will the EIR consider and **require** alternative **positive** impacts that could plan to be incorporated to improve the operating and living conditions of people living in the impacted zones?

Examples: Requiring implementation of green infrastructure medians, right of ways, and cisterns to capture grey water for reuse on plants?

Mandatory percentage of walking or bicycle ridership

Hosting carbon neutral business, retail, and restroom facilities?

Solar generation on unused car port and people protection bus and train stop shelters?

Regards

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