

CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
San Juan Capistrano, California

RESOLUTION NO. 1819-16

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CAPISTRANO UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
REPORT FOR SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION
UNITS 2 AND 3 DECOMMISSIONING PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the public has entrusted the Capistrano Unified School District (District) with providing its students with a high-quality education, which includes insuring that its students have adequate facilities, are safe, and not significantly or cumulatively impacted by encroaching projects; and

WHEREAS, the Draft Environmental Impact Report ("Draft EIR") needs revision and recirculation to disclose the significant new information to the public and allow comment on such new information; and

WHEREAS, over nineteen schools and multiple District facilities are in close proximity to the Project's haul routes: Concordia Elementary School (276' from I-5 and 777' from railroad), Las Palmas Elementary School (1,011' from railroad and 2,701' from I-5), San Clemente High School (adjacent to I-5), Shorecliffs Middle School (1,132' from I-5 and 1,938' from railroad), Palisades Elementary School (775' from I-5 and 1,083' from railroad), Capistrano Home School (426' from railroad and 775' from I-5), California Preparatory Academy (47' from railroad and 645' from I-5), Marco Forster Middle School (1,013' from railroad), Kinoshita Elementary School (1,013' from railroad), San Juan Elementary School (adjacent to I-5 and 1,742' from railroad), Capistrano Valley High School (398' from I-5), and Fresh Start Independent Study Program (1,170' from I-5). Also in close proximity to the I-5 freeway are Serra High School, Bridges Community Day School, where on the same campus there are several Career and Technical Education classrooms; District's charter schools: Capistrano Connections Academy and California Preparatory Academy; and District's Capistrano Home School; Futurology located at the Mission Viejo Mall, the Thomsley Building and the South Bus Yard. Finally, District headquarters is situated right on the I-5 freeway in San Juan Capistrano. This building is not only home to hundreds of District staff, but is a gathering place for students, teachers and parents for year-round training, events, and school board meetings; and

WHEREAS, the risk of derailment or truck accidents transporting radiological debris raises concerns that the Project could adversely endanger the students and staff at these nearby schools, which was not addressed in the Draft EIR; and

WHEREAS, Many of these trucks will also pass close to District schools and potentially create unacceptable levels of air contaminants at these schools; and

WHEREAS, these potential school impacts need to be adequately evaluated and mitigated to protect our students, parents, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated August 28, 2018 commenting upon the Draft EIR, the Capistrano Unified School District identified the need for further analysis and/or mitigation on air quality, hazards, and traffic.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Capistrano Unified School District wishes to emphasize that its comments are not an attempt to stop the Project but are meant to help the State Land Commission fully evaluate and mitigate the potential impacts to the schools. The District wishes to cooperate and collaborate with the State Land Commission and Southern California Edison (“SCE”) or any other responsible agencies, to insure the continued high quality of life and education in neighboring public schools;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in regards to hazardous and radiological materials, the Capistrano Unified School District urges that the Commission adopt a specific mitigation measure requiring SCE to develop a “School Emergency Plan,” defining the areas where a rail or truck accident could potentially expose a school’s occupants to radiological hazards from an accidental release, providing a notification system alerting District and school officials of a derailment or truck accident involving radiological wastes, assistance with evacuation of the affected school site, remediation of released radiological debris, school site testing to demonstrate the affected school site is safe for occupation, and assistance with returning the school’s occupants back to the school;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, regarding demolition dust, Capistrano Unified School District urges that SCE be required to notify the District of dust and radiological releases and evacuate school(s), if necessary, as part of the School Emergency Plan mitigation measure, described above, to reduce the potential significant radiological exposure impact to the students, faculty, staff, and parents to less than significant;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, regarding traffic, Capistrano Unified School District asks that the School Emergency Plan mitigation measure be imposed to ensure that emergency access to the schools is not impaired in the event of a transportation upset;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Capistrano Unified School District asks State Land Commission to fully analyze the potential radiological impact to the District’s schools caused by demolition damage to the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) and mitigate any discovered potential significant impact. At a minimum, the ISFSI needs to be continuously monitored for radiological leaks and if a leak is detected, Capistrano Unified School District needs to be immediately notified. Thus, a detected leak from the ISFSI and plans for evacuation need to be included in the School Emergency Plan mitigation measure;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Capistrano Unified School District desires that the Project’s potential significant and cumulative impacts to the students, faculty, staff, and parents of the District’s schools be fully analyzed and mitigated. Accordingly, the District respectfully requests that the Draft EIR be revised to include those analyses and the mitigation measure as set forth herein and recirculated for additional and complete public review.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Capistrano Unified School District on September 12, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES (5)
NOES (1)
ABSTENTIONS (0)
ABSENT (1)

DATED: September 12, 2018

By: Patricia Holloway
Patricia Holloway
Clerk of the Board of Trustees

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Kirsten M. Vital
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