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# American Land Rights Association

## Fax Alert

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## **Wildfire Alert -- Battle To Save 120 FS Cabins And Many Private Properties In Bouquet Canyon in California Continues -- Your Immediate Calls And Faxes Can Save These Homes And Bouquet Canyon Itself From Wildfires**

\*\*\*The Forest Service disregarded and violated NEPA(National Environmental Policy Act) rules.

\*\*\*Forest Service carried out a propaganda program – mailing misleading claims about the project.

\*\*\*The CPUC (California Public Utilities Commission) mandated irresponsible and indefensible criteria in the Environmental Impact Report notification process. Most affected people never received notification.

\*\*\*The **transmission line route proposed by the Forest Service increases fire risk** and goes against a new series of orders by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger regarding fighting fires and reducing fire risk in California.

**Media News – 5/10/07** – “Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger ordered state firefighting agencies Wednesday to bolster air and ground forces as California faces perhaps the worst wildfire season in two decades due to unusually low rainfall and snowpacks.” Steve Geissinger [sgeissinger@angnewspapers.com](mailto:sgeissinger@angnewspapers.com) / (916)447-9302.

### **THE ANTELOPE PARDEE 500 kV TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT**

Moving the Lines and Towers back to the Original Southern California Edison Proposed Route on the west side of Bouquet Canyon reservoir will mitigate the admitted hazard to fire fighting aircraft.

Since the Alternative 2 Route would criss-cross Bouquet Canyon Road, moving the Lines west of the reservoir, where the public is not, would remove the unsightly Lines from public view, and also remove a potential zone for arson-set fires to get out of control.

**Moving the lines from the mid-slope Alternative 2 route, back to the Original Southern California Edison Proposed Route** as it travels south down the Canyon would reduce the risk from fire by moving the lines farther away from the 120 cabins, the stream and recreationists that are there on a daily basis. This would keep the Canyon open to fire fighting air and ground crews to protect human life, wild life and habitat. This SCE Original Proposed Route is the existing corridor for Transmission Lines, and the Canyon has a history of being successfully defended from fires with the Lines in this location.

### **\*\*\*\*\*IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS:\*\*\*\*\***

- 1) **Call, write, fax or e-mail NOW!** Jody Noiron, Supervisor, Angeles National Forest, 701 North Santa Anita Ave. Arcadia, CA 91006. -- Phone: (626)-574-1613 -- FAX: (626)-574 5207 -- [jnoiron@fs.fed.us](mailto:jnoiron@fs.fed.us) Alternate numbers for Jody are: Phone: (626) 574-5200 – Fax: (626) 574-5233
- 2) **Call or fax Mark Rey**, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment. Phone: (202) 720-7173. Fax: (202) 720-0632. He has responsibility for the Forest Service.
- 3) Call Southern California Edison: Alis Clauson, Phone: (661) 726-5608. **Urge them to stick to their original route** on the ridge where the existing power line runs and away from homes.
- 4) **Time is critical.** Please hand deliver this Fax or Fax this message to any newspapers in your area.

**Ask all to follow the Southern California Edison recommendation** to place the new high power lines on a ridge where another power line already exists. **They can then stop fires AND save lives and homes.**

**The cabinowners and landowners in Bouquet Canyon need your help. By helping them now, you will make sure they will be there to help you when you are threatened.**

## **Please make your calls and send your faxes today**

This fax is sent in cooperation with the Coalition of Bouquet Canyon Concerned Citizens.