

**IOWA HILL JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE PUBLIC COMMENT TRACKING SPREADSHEET - IHJAC (adopted as of 08/08/2007)**

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1	Fire Protection	SMUD should be required to interface with fire protection and emergency services to define what they will accept as a "passable road". What are the requirements for a road that will provide timely access to a site in case of an emergency? Can these roads withstand volumes of traffic from the Iowa Hill Project in addition to local community traffic (Apple Hill bottlenecks during the autumn season) and still meet the health and safety needs of the community?	Comment to be addressed in final Fire Protection Management Plan	Recommend	
2	Fire Protection	Fire is a key concern - especially for the purposes of escape during construction (concern about congestion).		Recommend	
3	Fire Protection	SMUD to partner with Fire Safe council to develop and implement a Camino Community Wildfire Protection Plan.		Recommend	
3a	Fire Protection	Would SMUD be willing to work with adjacent property owners around the Iowa Hill project to assist in the costs of removing underbrush (ladder effect) to help reduce the risk of fire to the broader area?		Recommend	Refer to Item No. 3

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3b	Fire Protection	Remove underbrush (the ladder effect) for all property in the area surrounding the project site and provide financial resources to assist adjacent property owners (within one mile of the project site) to do the same on a voluntary basis.		Recommend	Refer to Item No. 3 Removing underbrush should also be done on construction access routes and at staging areas.
4	Fire Protection	Has SMUD investigated fire requirements for roads in advance?		Recommend	
5	Fire Protection	Designate the entire construction project area including ingress and egress roads as a "Non-Smoking Construction Zone" and post applicable signs to this effect	Fire Protection Plan will address recommending "no smoking" vehicles and designated smoking areas identified in plan.	Recommend	
5a	Fire Protection	Smoking is a concern as regards fire danger, and construction areas to be designated a "no smoking" zone.	Paul Bender stated workers will need a designated smoking site. Jack Sweeney believes a "no smoking" site can be enforced with legislation now being heard. Comment should be studied as mitigation measure.	Recommend	Refer to Item No. 5
6	Fire Protection	Develop and implement an effective evacuation plan for all construction related personnel that does not compromise the evacuation routes for Camino residents and visitors, including two lane roads to all construction sites	Will be addressed in Fire Protection Plan	Recommend	

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7	Fire Protection	Do <u>not</u> burn vegetation cleared from the upper or lower construction sites.	Related to Biomass plant addressed by Socioeconomic Subcommittee	Recommend	
8	Fire Protection	Provide a fire observation tower and staff this tower throughout the construction period.	Consider an additional observation camera (Fire Hawk) for Camino Dispatch for monitoring the Project site.	Recommend	
9	Fire Protection	Build a water storage facility at the project site that would serve fire response personnel in combating a construction related fire.	Facility could be either fixed or mobile.	Recommend	
10	Fire Protection	Provide the necessary financial resources to fire responders to ensure rapid air support to the Iowa Hill Project area including consideration for a fire fighting helicopter stationed in close proximity to the project area.	Consider for inclusion in the Fire Protection Plan.	Recommend	
11	Fire Protection	Require all contractors and subcontractors for SMUD's Iowa Hill Project carry a minimum of \$500 million liability insurance.	Recommend SMUD require all contractors carry liability insurance that reflects the extreme fire danger and property values in the area,	Recommend	Insurance requirements will be evaluated during the bidding/contract process.
12	Fire Protection	SMUD to ensure a minimum of \$1 billion (2 times the estimated project cost) is immediately available for mitigation of the effects of one or more fires resulting from construction of the Iowa Hill Project.	Recommend SMUD carry liability insurance that reflects the extreme fire danger and property values in the area,	Recommend	Insurance requirements will be evaluated during the bidding/contract process.

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13	Fire Protection	SMUD to suspend all Iowa Hill Project construction related activities during seasonal peak fire danger periods (based on specific criteria) and totally during any drought years.	Will be addressed in Fire Protection Plan	Recommend	
14	Fire Protection	SMUD to include insurance coverage for diminution of aesthetic value (e.g., timber stand [not stumpage value], landscape, view-shed).		Recommend	
14a	Fire Protection	Will there be compensation for visual impacts from project-induced fire other than the socioeconomic fund?	Fire and Socioeconomic subcommittees will study this item.	Recommend	The Socioeconomic fund does not apply to this compensation. Refer to Item No. 14
14b	Fire Protection	If a large scale fire results from activity related to the project and long term scarring of the area occurs (huge visual impact for residents), will SMUD compensate residents for this visual impact? If so, when would the compensation be provided and would it be limited to the \$2 million in the entire Socioeconomic Fund?	Fire and Socioeconomic subcommittees will study this item.	Recommend	The Socioeconomic fund does not apply to this compensation. Refer to Item No. 14
15	Fire Protection	Initiate immediate fuels management mitigation in the project area.		Recommend	

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16	Fire Protection	A fire prevention officer and required vehicle and equipment, with law enforcement authority on both public and private lands, would be <b>funded</b> by SMUD and independent of SMUD, to enforce a Fire Protection Plan. This should be initiated upon decision to move forward with the Project.		Recommend	
17	Fire Protection	Prior to initiation of construction, SMUD should develop a Fire Protection Plan that is reviewed and approved by Cal Fire, USFS, and local county fire officials.		Recommend	
17a	Fire Protection	Transportation Subcommittee should know what the requirements are for the road size, capacity, etc. Consult with CalFire, Fire Protection	Comment should be studied as mitigation measure and should be submitted to the Fire Protection Subcommittee.	Recommend	Addressed in Item No. 1
18	Fire Protection	SMUD to have a central point of contact for submitting all claims/concerns related to construction.		Recommend	
19	Fire Protection	Develop an effective claims management process administered by SMUD to reduce delays associated with the claims process.		Recommend	

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20	Fire Protection	Provide fire safety awareness/orientation for all workers at the Project site.		Recommend	
21	Fire Protection	Develop evacuation routes within the confines of the Fire Protection Plan.	Consider emergency egress or access routes for fire protection equipment and personnel evacuation.	Recommend	
22	Fire Protection	Provide communication with fire agencies to identify potential fire activities related to the Project site.		Recommend	
23	Fire Protection	What about if it is an "act of God", like a project-related helicopter that crashes due to a random thermal wind gust, and starts a fire?	SMUD should review how to deal with this sort of situation.	Recommend	Cannot answer the hypothetical question without looking at the details of the case. But yes, there are likely cases where SMUD might not pay.
24	Fire Protection	Fire hydrants are not installed on a portion of Cable Road that will be used for construction access. Fire water service lines should be extended and hydrants installed to provide protection for all homes on the Cable Road access route.	Recommend SMUD work with El Dorado County officials to have fire hydrant service installed or provide similar temporary facilities during construction.	Recommend	
25	Fire Protection	Why isn't there a Fire Subcommittee?		COMPLETED	One has been established.
26	Fire Protection	Will SMUD be liable if a fire is started during project construction? Or contractors start one? Will insurance cover?		COMPLETED	Requested presentation to the full IHJAC in July 2007 for better community understanding of how insurance coverage and liability applies to this Project and the community.

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27	Fire Protection	In one of the documents SMUD has a cost reimbursement limit of \$1 million to fight a fire due to construction activity. Is this correct?		COMPLETED	No, SMUD has not established a reimbursement limit due to a fire caused by construction activity.