

Communication from Public

Name: Olga Mandrussow

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Comments for Public Posting: Please ACCEPT Sierra Club's appeal and REJECT the Scattergood EIR. The environmental impacts of the project extend beyond the Scattergood gas plant, as hydrogen will need to be made and transported to the facility. Additionally, LADWP is actively evaluating the transition of other in-basin gas plants to hydrogen, which will expand the impacts of hydrogen combustion.

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Name: Rodney P Boone

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Rodney Boone. I live in San Pedro with my wife, and we have been LADWP customers for nearly 40 years. I am also a Sierra Club and Third Act member. I strongly urge the LA City Council to ACCEPT the Sierra Club appeal and REJECT the Scattergood EIR. I have deep reservations about the plan to convert Scattergood's Units 1 and 2 to burn a mixture of fossil gas and green hydrogen, eventually perhaps burning 100% hydrogen. It asks the LADWP, ratepayers like us, and other people in the greater LA Basin to be guinea pigs in a large-scale experiment regarding hydrogen procurement, distribution, storage, and combustion. The EIR admits that the technology for grid-scale green hydrogen is not proven, we don't know when the hydrogen will be available (and available in the large and reliable amounts required by the project), when the new turbines that would be needed for the project can be obtained, how it will be manufactured and transported to Scattergood safely (it's highly combustible) and without leaks. The EIR excludes these issues from the scope of the EIR, side-stepping these core difficulties with hydrogen, so we do not have any reliable concept of the enormous infrastructure needed for the generation and distribution of green hydrogen for the LA region. The cost of the Scattergood conversion project is hugely expensive. The estimates start at \$800 million and go up from there. This estimate does not cover the cost of hydrogen which currently is 3-10 times the cost of fossil gas. The Trump administration has pulled the funding from the hydrogen hub projects, leaving deficits in the funding. If LADWP goes forward with the hydrogen plan, if it turns into a financial boondoggle with the hydrogen-related costs falling on rate-payers like us, this will be one more major scandal that will tarnish the reputation of the LADWP. It would be far more productive for LADWP to spend its resources on closing Units 1&2, and investing in long-duration batteries and other non-emitting storage technologies (where, conversely, the costs are plummeting compared to green hydrogen) on the Scattergood site. Again, I urge the City Council to ACCEPT the Sierra Club appeal and REJECT the Scattergood EIR. Thank you.

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Name: Ann Feeney

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Comments for Public Posting: ACCEPT the Sierra Club's appeal; Please Reject the Scattergood EIR. LA demands real clean energy solutions! The project description in the EIR claims this is a green hydrogen project which would blend up to 30% hydrogen with methane. However, the EIR fails to analyze hydrogen at all. The EIR does not analyze the generation, transportation, or storage of hydrogen.