The campaign for designation of Hwy 247 from Yucca Valley to Barstow as a Scenic Highway is a mission of the Homestead Valley Community Council.

This historic road is the only pavement connecting Yucca Mesa, Landers, Flamingo Heights and Johnson Valley with neighboring high desert communities.

SC Edison proposes a transmission corridor from the Barstow area through Lucerne Valley that actually would be visible in the photo above, used on the first page of the Scenic 247 presentation. The transmission towers would march right across from the right, then parallel the road. It would serve more utility-scale solar and wind projects.

As the HVCC letter to the Public Utilities Commission states: “Any industrial project visible from Highway 247 will have a devastating impact on valuable scenic attributes and the largely visitor-generated economy of the High Desert… “

“The Scenic 247 campaign has been sponsored by community organizations, museums and businesses along its full length from Barstow to Yucca Valley. It is in the hands of San Bernardino County Land Use Services and the Mountain and Desert Tourism Marketing Campaign, contracted by the San Bernardino County Economic Development Agency.”

See the Opposition Letter and the Scenic 247 Presentation on www.hvccsite.org