HVCC Opposes Yucca Valley Sphere of Influence Expansion into Yucca Mesa

HVCC weighed in against the expansion of the Sphere of Influence of the Town of Yucca Valley into Yucca Mesa with 3 Actions:

• A strongly-worded Resolution detailing the many drawbacks; see Resolution Opposing Sphere of Influence
• A letter to LAFCO critical of points in the Yucca Valley Municipal Service Review; see Comments to Yucca Valley MSR
• A pledge of $500 toward a charter bus to take residents to the LAFCO hearing on this SOI issue, not scheduled as yet.

At this point the Town has put off discussion of withdrawing the SOI application until early September.

Delegates Invited to Lunch Meeting with Supervisor Neil Derry

At the July 29 meeting, the discussions covered Supervisor Derry’s proposed Ethics Commission, and issues on which HVCC has requested county action.

Supervisor Derry was asked about progress on the designation of Hwy. 247 as a Scenic Highway. Time is running out as the BLM reviews requests for permits for Solar Rights-of-Way. These potentially could fill most of our public lands along the highway with solar panels, and turn the road into a transmission corridor.

Supervisor Derry reported on the obstacles to putting AB811 low-cost energy improvement loans in place for unincorporated communities; so solar could go on rooftops instead of destroying the desert. HVCC continues to urge action on AB811.

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