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Dear Supervisor Ramos,

I am a resident of Joshua Tree CA, and I would like you to support the DRECP directives in their original intent - to protect our Virgin and recoverable lands here in San Bernardino County. In particular, we need to protect & conserve the lands around the Joshua Tree National Park, especially the wildlife corridors, buffer zones, and local gateway communities that border this most beautiful jewel of our county, the JTNP. ~~Of~~ Of most concern, are the multiple wind & solar projects being rammed down our collective throats here in the Mojave Desert. Committing ourselves to renewable energies is a sound course for the nation, the state, and our county, but blading virgin desert to accommodate these projects is not smart growth. All new renewable energy projects in the County of S.B. must avoid sensitive areas and be concentrated ~~in~~ in areas or corridors that have sustained heavy use and are non-recoverable, and areas such as wildlife corridors and scenic areas around the JTNP must be spared, whatever the cost. Thank you Supervisor Ramos for taking the time to read this  
Peter G. Arnold