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Thanks for the info, Jen. I was wondering whether it would be possible to include scenarios in which BAAQMD takes an active role in encouraging decentralized solar (and possibly storage). This can mitigate increased strain on the electrical grid.

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On Wed, Jun 15, 2022 at 1:12 PM Jennifer Elwell <[jelwell@baaqmd.gov](mailto:jelwell@baaqmd.gov)> wrote:

Thanks for your comments Laura.

An alternatives analysis will be included in the EIR. While we will be evaluating potential air quality impacts of potential additional electricity demand, we will also be discussing it in context of the CPUC and CEC planning processes which project renewable growth in order to meet these types of demands.

Best,

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Hi Jen and Abby,

I'm looking at the call for comments on the EIR and have a couple questions.

- The Initial Study doesn't describe what alternative scenarios will be evaluated. Are you starting to develop that list?

- Most of the potential negative impacts stem from a potential increase in electrical demand, which could stress the grid and/or generate more air pollution if electrical generation isn't clean. One way to mitigate a potential increase in demand for electricity would be to simultaneously encourage or require the adoption of solar panels. Is that something that could be evaluated as a project alternative? (I don't have enough legal knowledge of what can be considered as an alternative scenario to say whether this is a viable option - maybe someone on your legal team does).

Happy to jump on the phone if it's easier.

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