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## San Onofre Community Panel to Discuss Decommissioning Environmental Review

ROSEMEAD, Calif., March 17, 2016 — The San Onofre <u>Community Engagement Panel</u> will be briefed on state approvals and environmental review of San Onofre nuclear plant decommissioning on March 24 at the panel's regular quarterly meeting in Oceanside.

Southern California Edison will provide an overview of the upcoming permitting process for decommissioning. In addition, a representative from the <u>California State Lands Commission</u>, the lead state agency overseeing the environmental review, will preview the California Environmental Quality Act requirements and process. The commission is retaining an environmental consultant to help prepare an Environmental Impact Report and will host a public scoping meeting on that report as part of the public involvement process.

"We encourage our neighbors and stakeholders to attend this important Community Engagement Panel discussion about state environmental oversight and preparations to dismantle San Onofre," said Tom Palmisano, chief nuclear officer and vice president of Decommissioning for SCE. During the meeting, Palmisano will provide an update on decommissioning preparations and storage of used nuclear fuel.

In addition, several Community Engagement Panel members plan to discuss their efforts to broaden support to move San Onofre's used nuclear fuel off-site, an initiative known as Consolidated Interim Storage.

The public is invited to attend the meeting from 6-9 p.m. at the QLN Conference Center, 1938 Avenida Del Oro, Oceanside. Staffed information booths will be open from 5-6 p.m. There will be a public comment period and the meeting will be live-streamed via <u>songscommunity.com</u>.

The 18-member Community Engagement Panel was formed to advise the co-owners of the San Onofre nuclear plant on <u>decommissioning</u> the facility and to foster public education and involvement during decommissioning.

SCE announced in June 2013 that it would <u>retire San Onofre Units 2 and 3</u>, and had begun the process to decommission the facility. SCE has established core principles of safety, stewardship and engagement to guide decommissioning. For more information about SCE, visit <u>songscommunity.com</u>.

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