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TANC Power Line Project Terminated

The Transmission Agency Of Northern California (TANC) has terminated the environmental review process for the proposed transmission lines that may have ended up running across Hat Creek Rim. Below is the official word from their website:

The Transmission Agency of Northern California (TANC) announced today that its Commission has voted to terminate the environmental review process for TANC's Transmission Project (TTP).

Without the financial support of key TANC utility members to proceed with this process, TANC cannot undertake a detailed environmental analysis of the proposed alternative routes. As such, the TTP and the proposed alternative routes are no longer being considered.

Despite today's decision, TANC still agrees with the assessments of the California Public Utilities Commission, the California Energy Commission and the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) that additional transmission must be built to meet California's goals for renewable clean energy and greenhouse gas reduction. TANC is committed to continue working with transmission owners, utilities, and others to identify solutions for providing reliable and cost-effective transmission service to customers throughout northern California, in accordance with California's energy goals and policies.

Apparently, due to a huge opposition from the public, several key utilities companies pulled their funding. Thank you to everyone who took the time to write in and oppose the Northern routes that could have adversely affected Hat Creek Rim.

Hat Creek Rim, for the time being, is safe...

Still for Sale



This glider is in great shape. Doesn't land well at Hat Creek, but makes a good coastal glider. I'll consider any reasonable offers. Brian @ 530-355-2081.

Blown Launch at Hat Creek

Recently, a pilot by the name of Paul cart-wheeled in just below Hat Creek's main launch while attempting to launch his Wills Wing Falcon. YouTube footage of the incident can be seen at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QUFyhn5rBjc>

In the video, the nose of the glider is high and there doesn't appear to be any corrective input from the pilot as things start to go awry.



Hat Creek Rim is a recommended Hang III site. This should serve as a reminder to anyone that may be sponsoring newer pilots (or newer pilots visiting the Rim) that solid launch, approach, and landing skills are a must to fly Hat Creek Rim safely.

Labor Day Weekend Flying

As usual, a number of us will be up at Hat Creek over the Labor Day weekend. Labor Day weekend falls on the first weekend of September. Anyone wishing to get a spot at Hereford Ranch campground should probably make reservations now.



I have space # 59 again. There is room for more, if anyone wants to throw down a tent or two. Just RSVP so we don't end up exceeding the campground's limit-per-space number. I think the additional "guest fee" is still only a couple bucks.

Hope to see lots of you there.

—editor



Jeff's New Glider

Jeff took delivery of his brand new Sport 2 on Friday, July 31st. Jeff and I both got off work early to go meet Doug Prather, a Wills Wing dealer out of Modesto, at Fort Funston for the delivery. Flying conditions were great and pilots flew until the fog ceiling eventually dropped too low. After Doug demoed the glider, Jeff got his first flight on his new blade wing.

Doug's contact information is listed below. Doug can actually do some pretty good discounts on Will Wing products. Give him a call if your thinking about buying anything.

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Jeff getting a feel for his new glider.



A couple fly-overs



Myself launching and pulling a wang over the Funston bowl. Eric Mies was there too and he was doing full-on loops!

