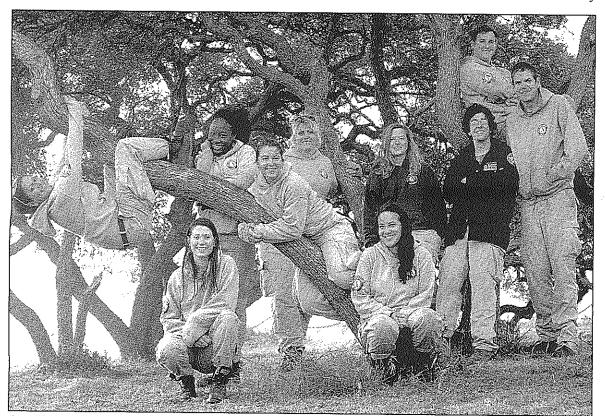
## Vacationing and Volunteering Go Together With the Catalina Island Conservancy

By Laura Mecoy. Catalina Island Conservancy



AmeriCorps volunteers, from left, are Angela Ziogas, Dana Nichols, Adenola Ademiluyi, Abby Rosen, Katherine Berna, Nicole Giusti, Lauren Brown (team leader in green), Phillip Dukes, Ryan Antolick and Grant Blair. Photo courtesy of the Catalina Island Conservancy

Weed whacking, road patching and trail building don't sound like fun vacation activities. But they are for Phillip Dukes, a high school teacher from Tucson, who volunteers to spend his vacations performing these tasks and much more for the Catalina Island Conservancy.

Dukes has volunteered on the Island once or twice every year for the last four years, and he said there's no better way to spend a holiday.

"It's extremely fun, so even

though you're working part of the time that you're visiting the Island, it doesn't feel like work," he said. "It feels like a total vacation."

Dukes is one of the more than 900 Catalina Island Conservancy volunteers who donate over 24,000 hours a year to comb the windward beaches for trash, maintain wildlands trails and fix fences. They help with driving, office work, invasive plant removal, native plant restoration, maintenance work, biologists' studies, marathons and other events.

"We work with individuals and groups to match their skills and abilities with positions or projects that will best satisfy their interests and aid in the fulfillment of the Conservancy's mission," said Lesly Lieberman, Conservancy volunteer coordinator. "With Phillip, it's easy to find a job because he embraces just about any task we have and does it with great enthusiasm."

Dukes first came to Catalina in 2012 as a member of AmeriCorps, the national service program that

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NOTIFICATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY'S REQUEST TO INCREASE RATES FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE WHEELER NORTH REFE EXPANSION MARINE MITIGATION PROJECT APPLICATION FILING NO. A. 18-12-202

Company (SDCsc) filed a joint application with the California Public Unities Continusion (CPCC) requesting approval to increase rates for the recovery of costs associated with the Wheeler North Reef (WNR) Expansion Project. This application seeks to recover costs associated with the WNR expansion project directed by the California Coestal Commission (CCC). The WNR Expansion Project was not included in SCE's 2018 General Rate Case (GRC) Application (described below). If approved, this application would result in SCE customers experiencing an overall increase of \$28.072 million between 2018 and 2018.

ABOUT THE APPLICATION

SCE is the licensed operator of San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) and majority owner. As such, SCE is responsible for 78.21% of any costs incurred in relation to SONGS and maintaining compilance with various regulatory agencies regarding SONGS. SCE is also responsible for filing SONGS related costs in its GRC. In Decision D.15-11-021 the CPUC determined that costs related to SCE's compliance with marine mitigation projects related to SONGS should be recorded as cost of service and recovered through customer rates. This decision also allowed SCE and SOG&E to submit a separate application to recover costs for any additional marine mitigation projects not included in SCE's GRC requests.

located near SONGS to improve the performance of the reef. Due to timit to be included in the 2018 GRC. As a result, SCE and SDG&E are filing recover those additional costs.

The following table is representative of the estimated rate impact by customer group if this application is approved by the CPUC. Based on the revenue requirement forecasts for 2019 and 2020, this rate increase will remain in effect for 2019 and 2020 (i.e., the rate increase in 2019 will remain in effect for two years, 2019 and 2020). If the CPUC approves this application, a typical non-CARE residential customer kiving in inland areas of Ventura and Los Angeles counties (baseline region) and using 500 kilowatt-hours per month could see a monthly bill increase of 0.005%, or \$0.00, from a typical current monthly bill of \$90.06 to \$90.06 for 2018, an increase of 0.12%, or \$0.10, from a typical current monthly bill of \$90.06 to \$90.16 for 2019 and, an increase of 0.13%, or \$0.12, from a typical current monthly bill of \$90.06 to \$90.18 for 2020.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY'S ILLUSTRATIVE 2018-2020 RATE IMPACTS

System Revenues (\$000)			Bundled (c/kWh)	
Current Revenues (\$000) (1)	Proposed Revenues (\$000)	% Change over Current	Current Rates (¢/	Proposed Rates (¢/ kWh)
4,729,345	276	0.01%	17.15	17.15
4 112 709	187	0.00%	18.60	15.59
1,804,479	66	0.00%	10.78	10.78
	16	0.00%	11.86	11.86
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	System Revenues (\$000)			Bundled (c/kWh)	
Customer Group	Current Revenues (\$000)	Proposed Revenues (\$000)	% Change over Current	Current Rates (¢/ kWh) <sup>pi</sup>	Proposed Rates (¢/ kWh)
Residential	4,655,571	6,660	0.14%	17.18	17.20
Lighting - Small and		-,		177,0	11.20
Medium Power	4,140,228	4.619	0.11%	15.59	15.61
Large Power (	1,823,098	1.639	0.09%	10.79	10.79
Agricultural and Pumping	380.572	392	0.10%	11.85	11.87
Street and Area Lighting	126,878	25	0.02%	16.92	16.93
Standby	257,368	167	0.06%	8.97	8.98
Total	11.393.715	13.502	0 12%	14.56	14.97
[2] °C	Current" = June (		with 2019 foreca		

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Customer Group	Current Revenues (\$000) [3]	Proposed Revenues (\$000)	% Change over Current	Current Retes (¢/ kWh) <sup>(s)</sup>	Proposed Rates (¢/ kWh)
Residential Lighting - Small and	4,543,072	7,279	0.16%	17.18	17.21
Medium Power	4,135,096	4,734	0.11%	15.66	15.68
Large Power	1,823,604	1,395	0.08%	10.82	10.83
Agricultural and Pumping	391,166	436	0.11%	11.89	11.90
Street and Area Lighting	127,471	28	0.02%	16.81	16.81
Standby Total	257,368	144	0.06%	8.97	8.98
[ TOTAL ]	14,611,611	14,017	0.12%	14.87	14.89

(3) "Current" = June 01, 2016 rates with 2020 forecasts If the CPUC approves this application, a typical non-CARE residential customer living in baseline region 9 and using 500 kilowatt-hours per month could see a monthly bill increase of 0.005%, or 0.005%, or

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provides teams of volunteers to the Conservancy for several weeks every year. He said the beauty of the Island, the important work of the Conservancy and the support of Lieberman and Cindy Lazaris, the Conservancy's volunteer coordinators at the time, "just blew me away. It was just like in a dream world. I couldn't believe how lucky we were to be partnered with the Conser-

"The second we left Catalina. our AmeriCorps team began scheming how we were going to come back because we realized the Island is a really special, once-in-a-lifetime place," Dukes said. "All of us had fallen in love with it."

After completing his volunteer service with AmeriCorps, Dukes and some of his former AmeriCorps teammates enjoyed reuniting on the Island in 2012, 2013 and 2014 to volunteer at the Conservancy Ball and the Catalina Island Film Festival. They also worked on trail restoration and other maintenance projects.

"It was just a total dream vacation to come back and work with

those guys and see all our friends," Dukes said. This past summer, he introduced the next generation to Catalina conservation and volunteer-

Dukes is a "Big Brother," through the Big Brother mentoring program, and he brought his "Little Brother," a 17-year-old mentee, Robert Robles, with him to the Island for a week-long volunteer vacation.

They helped the Conservancy's facilities crew and worked on several different projects. They also enjoyed ocean swims, hikes and other recre-

"It was just such a meaningful experience because the work the Conservancy does is just so special," Dukes said. "For Robert to get a chance to be a part of this amazing organization and just see this very special place is extraordinary."

If you are interested in volunteering with the Catalina Island Conservancy, please contact Lesly Lieberman, Volunteer Coordinator, 310-510-2595 ext. 112, llieberman@CatalinaConservancy.org. Or visit the "Volunteer" page on the website, CatalinaConservancy.org.

About the Catalina Island Con-

servancy: Formed in 1972, the Catalina Island Conservancy is one of California's oldest land trusts. Its mission is to be a responsible steward of its lands through a balance of conservation, education and recreation. Through its ongoing efforts, the Conservancy protects the magnificent natural and cultural heritage of Santa Catalina Island, stewarding approximately 42,000 acres of land and more than 60 miles of rugged shoreline. It provides an airport and 50 miles of biking and nearly 150 miles of hiking opportunities within its road and trail system. The Conservancy conducts educational outreach through two nature centers, its Wrigley Memorial & Botanic Garden and guided experiences in the Island's rugged interior. Twenty miles from the mainland, the Island is a treasure trove of historical and archaeological sites. It also contains numerous rare and endangered animals and plants. The Island is home to 60 species - and counting - that are found only on Catalina. For additional information, please visit www.catalinaconservancy.org.

### Sheriff's Log By Captain Douglas A Fetteroll, **Avalon Sheriff's Station** 12/14/16 to 12/21/16

Each Week The Avalon Sheriff's Department Will Be Providing The Same Information They Send To Avalon's City Manager, As People Have Expressed An Interest In reading news regarding criminal mat-

12-14-2016 - An Avalon resident reported being the victim of a forgery.

12-15-2016 to 12-16-2016 - No significant incidents.

12-17-2016 - An Avalon resident reported another resident accused her of spreading false rumors about him. He spoke to her in an angry manner and used profane language.

12-18-2016 to 12-20-2016 - No significant incidents.

12-21-2016 - An Avalon resident, who had been acting in a bizarre manner, was detained by deputies after he voluntarily exited a storm drain near Step Beach. The resident was preliminarily evaluated by the Sheriff's Department Mental Health Evaluation Team. He was subsequently transported to a hospital on the mainland pursuant to 5150 of the Welfare and Institutions code for further evaluation and treatment.

### **Grand Theft Auto and Joyriding**

The taking of a golf cart with the intent to permanently deprive the and introduction of the second second