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Mr. McKenzie:

I am a resident of Arroyo Grande and have been following the Excelaron issue with great interest. The more I read about their intent to drill for oil in SLO county the more concerned I become. It seems obvious that the purpose of the Huasna Valley project is to "get their foot in the door." All indications are that if drilling is allowed under the Huasna project, it will expand to include other areas.

The county has been improving over the years and has become more populated and more gentrified. To revert to the old days of drilling for oil would be a terrible mistake and a disservice to the residents. The Huasna Road is a favorite recreation site of bicycle enthusiasts, and as you are aware it is also a dangerous and narrow road. Although the EIR states that all Excelaron suppliers would use an alternate route, I do not believe that rule can be legally enforced. Independent contractors are not part of Excelaron and will take the path of least resistance - the Huasna Road via Arroyo Grande.

We live here because it is a nice, clean and non-toxic environment. Please put the interests of your residents before the interests of two foreign oil companies. I implore you to keep oil drilling out of our county.

Best regards, Diana Wold 1015 Ditmas Way Arroyo Grande

