

## Huasna Road

I assume that the EIR will consider alternate routes for the transportation of oil, equipment and employees and that one of those routes will be Huasna Townsite Road to Huasna Road and then either through the Arroyo Grande Village or along Branch Mill Road. All of the arguments against the use of those roads made for Excelaron's previously proposed project by the Huasna Valley Association and the City of Arroyo Grande still hold for this new project.

The EIR has to recognize that Huasna Townsite Road is currently an un-striped single lane road in need of repaving. It needs to be widened and re-paved in order to safely and legally handle project vehicle traffic.

We had to do our own survey of the Huasna Road grade, which found that large vehicle traffic can't drive around 8 of the 26 curves without crossing the centerline. The same thing is true for several of the narrow bridges along Huasna Road, including the bridge at Huasna Road and Alisos Road, which is considered "problematic" by the Public Works Department. There is a point of slope failure on the Huasna Grade, which should be evaluated for safety in the EIR. There is also a curve on Branch Mill Road that has an above average collision rate. Public works has already said that this road is unacceptable for use as a transportation route for oil truck traffic.

The EIR's risk analysis should evaluate the safety of these roads in the event of a hazardous material spill or fire, since emergency vehicles would drive along the Huasna Road/Arroyo Grande City route. Vehicle weight requirement of the Huasna River Bridge or an emergency that occurs during flooding of the Porter Ranch Road may require oil tanker truck traffic carrying oil-spill or other hazardous waste materials to travel along Huasna Road and through Arroyo Grande. Finally, the effect of all additional project traffic, like employee vehicles, service vehicles, and propane trucks on these roads should also be analyzed.

I'd like to submit this copy of the road survey, which is also on file with the Department of Public Works, to the EIR consultant.