



**Fw: Proposed Phillips 66 Rail Spur**  
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Honorable Members:

I am writing in opposition to the proposed Phillips 66 rail spur into San Luis Obispo County, which would transport oil extracts through many sensitive environmental and human habitats. In particular, as a resident of Santa Cruz County, one who frequents Elkhorn Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve, I cringe to think of this area being spoiled by potential oil-train accidents.

The entire ecosystem of Elkhorn Slough depends upon human care and kindness at this point. You must know how popular sea otters are, and how so much effort is being invested into their recovery. Let's face it: the shame brought upon you should any such accidents befall the otters would be monumental.

I ask you to consider and reconsider this potentially tragic rail proposal. Look at the bigger picture, the ethics of it, the potential human costs and environmental/animal costs, not just the dollars.

Sincerely,  
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