



Fw: Let's Keep our Community SAFE!

Lynn Compton to: Ryan Hostetter

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Subject: Let's Keep our Community SAFE!

Dear Supervisor Lynn Compton,

I am a resident of Nipomo and I appreciate your request to hear from your constituents on the proposed Phillips 66 oil train project. As a resident living in south San Luis Obispo County, I strongly oppose the approval of this facility.

My concerns are the proximity of oil trains to where my kids and grandkids live, go to school and work. Some things are just too dangerous and transporting highly volatile crude oil by rail is one them. Human beings make mistakes and a mistake involving oil trains would devastate our community. There are other ways to bring oil to the Phillips 66 refinery; the pipelines have worked safely for decades and it is only because of a desire to increase profits that cheaper oil by rail is being considered. While, we have seen recently in Goleta that pipelines do rupture and result in huge amounts of damage to the environment, fortunately no one died.

Certainly Phillips 66 is entitled to seek ways to improve their profits, but risking the lives of families who live along the path of the oil trains should not be one of them. Think about how much everybody would lose should there be an explosion involving a few million gallons of petroleum.

Due to the reasons above, I firmly believe that the proposed Phillips 66 rail spur is not in our communities best interest.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sincerely,

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