



Phillips 66 Rail Spur - Support

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Good Afternoon Ramona,

I cannot attend the meeting, please let them know that I support the project.

For 60 years the Santa Maria Refinery has supported our local economy by providing San Luis Obispo County with nearly 200 jobs. In addition to those 200 people, hundreds of other people, businesses, and children are benefited by the income produced by the refinery. For the last 20 years, trains transferring oil have gone through San Luis Obispo County to Los Angeles 3 times a week – albeit without having any economic contribution to our local economy. Therefore, not only will these additional trains stabilize the economic contribution of the Santa Maria Refinery to our local community but also they will not change the status quo and do not introduce any new danger to the environment (there hasn't been a risk or hazard from the existing trains).

Nearly 200 working families depend on the Santa Maria Refinery to put food on the table for their families. The rail extension will allow these employees to keep their jobs, feed their families, and give back to the local economy. The key word here is "domino effect". The Santa Maria Refinery employees contribute to the local economy by supporting local businesses, the local businesses are able to sustain their businesses and contribute back to the local economy.

The Phillips 66 Refinery has a deep commitment to a culture of safety and to the principles of operating excellence, including personal safety, refinery safety, environmental excellence, reliability and cost management. We ask you to please stand in support of the Santa Maria Refinery rail extension project – but more importantly we ask you to support San Luis Obispo County businesses, families and children.

Sincerely,

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