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**To:** County of SLO Planning Dept.; Board of Supervisors  
**Subject:** Phillips 66

June 7, 2016

Dear members of the Planning Commissioners and Board of Supervisors,

As a resident of San Luis Obispo County, I make a plea to **reject** the Development Plan/Coastal Development Permit of Phillips 66 Company regarding the extensive modification of the existing rail spur completely. The oil trains carry considerable risks to many people and the environment. No project that contains the words “blast zone” should be considered “acceptable risk” to our county. We also do not have an adequate hazmat response in many of the communities along the rails in the likelihood of a spill. The train hauling 96 cars of crude oil that derailed and exploded near the Columbia River Gorge in Oregon, should act as a stark reminder that oil trains carry unacceptable risk. I agree with a statement from the Mosier Fire Chief, who said “I hope that [the Mosier derailment] becomes death knell for this mode of shipping this cargo. I think it’s insane. Shareholder value doesn’t outweigh the lives and happiness of our community.”

Our planet is also at considerable risk from human made climate change. SLO County should do its best in leaving fossil fuels in the ground. For the future of the planet it is imperative that greenhouse gases be reduced, not increased. SLO County could be a shining example of a county that puts the lives of citizens and the lives of everyone on the planet above that of oil for profit. The impacts of this project are hugely adverse to the health and happiness of everyone in SLO County who lives, breathes and enjoys our coast. Please do not put us at risk.

Sincerely,

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