



**Fw: Objection To Expansion Of A Phillips 66 Oil Refinery In San Luis Obispo County**

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**Gentlepersons:**

I have read that San Luis Obispo County is considering expanding facilities for a Phillips 66 oil refinery that would involve the addition of approximately 250 unit trains of crude oil per year traveling through East Bay communities. From an admittedly brief review of the FEIR I have noted that there is a “significant” risk that this would exacerbate an air quality problem in the East Bay, which is already overburdened with unacceptably high levels of particulate pollution that far exceed state and federal standards. This is a densely populated area. The addition of five unit trains/day over dozens of rail/street intersections would significantly add to vehicular congestion. Finally, although the FEIR conclude that the risk of a derailment in any one year might be low, should it occur the effects on communities and the environment would be disastrous.

To date a great many political and non-political entities and individuals have voiced their objection to this proposal for a variety of health, safety and environmental reasons. Notwithstanding that the Response To Comments (of these entities/individuals) largely consists of a “brush off” of their concerns, I would like to add my name to the list of those in objection, even though I cannot cite chapter and verse of a, say, CEQA provision to support my objection. While the Phillips 66 facility may be in a relatively remote location, many of the areas through which the supply trains servicing it must travel are not. I would like to request that you respectfully consider the impact of your decision on communities that may be more directly affected by these trains than the facility site itself.

Sincerely,

**Thomas Fratar**

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