



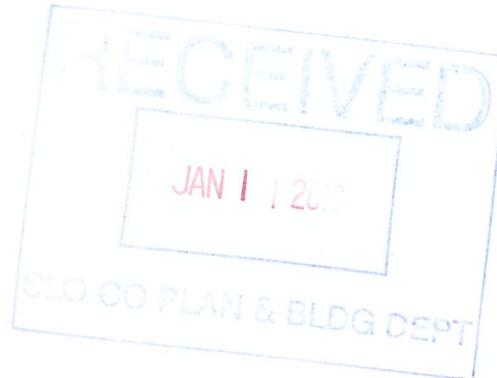
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Re: Phillips 66, Santa Maria Refinery Crude by Rail Project

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the San Lorenzo Unified School District, I write to express concerns about the impacts of the proposed project on residents living in Alameda County as well as to our environment and local water supplies. Many residents in our District's boundaries live relatively close to the Union Pacific (UP) rail line, including Ashland-Cherryland, San Leandro and Hayward, which are low-income communities already burdened by some of the worst air pollution and highest social and health burdens in our county and state.

Attached is a signed copy of [Resolution 3420](#), unanimously passed and adopted by the Governing Board of the San Lorenzo Unified School District on March 17, 2016 regarding the Phillips 66 Rail Spur Project.

I respectfully recommend the San Luis Obispo Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors reject the proposed project, and accept this letter of support and Board Resolution as a demonstration of our Governing Board and District's continued commitment in opposing the Phillips 66 Santa Maria Refinery Rail Project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Fred Brill, Ed.D.
Superintendent

SAN LORENZO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 3420

Denying the Phillips 66 Oil Train Off-Landing Facility Expansion
in San Luis Obispo County

WHEREAS the oil train off-loading facility expansion being considered by San Luis Obispo County would increase rail traffic through densely populated areas of Alameda County, threatening the risk of oil spills, fire, and explosion to residences, businesses and to **every** school in the San Lorenzo Unified School District; and

WHEREAS our current rail system is designed to connect residents to their destinations throughout the Bay Area and not to move large quantities of hazardous materials like crude oil through populated areas; and

WHEREAS the majority of San Lorenzo's schools are in the "red zone" - within half a mile of the evacuation zone for oil train derailments. In some cases, schools are bordered by train tracks making classrooms within 100 yards of potential derailments;[1]

WHEREAS the diesel emissions from trains along the route would generate toxic pollutants that exceed medically advised thresholds and cause cancer, heart disease, and asthma in an area that is the third highest for childhood asthma disorders in the state of California;

WHEREAS at a meeting on March 3, 2015, students and teachers encouraged the San Lorenzo Unified School District Board to pass this resolution in opposition of trains carrying crude oil, passing through our community and thereby putting into danger the precious lives of our students and teachers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Lorenzo Unified School District requests that the County Board of Supervisors of San Luis Obispo County deny permits for the Phillips 66 oil train offloading facility and the denial of any construction related to this project.

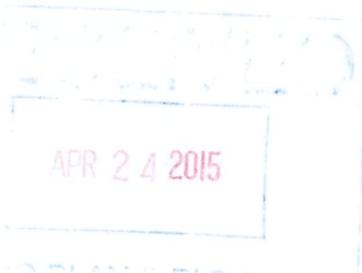
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the San Lorenzo Unified School District on this 17th day of March 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

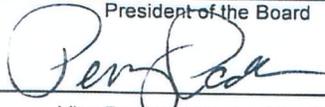
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ABSTENTIONS: 0

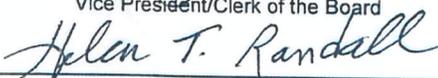


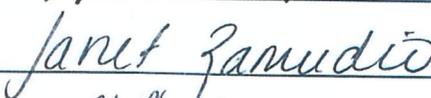


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[1. Map showing oil train blast zone, searchable by address of each school: <http://explosive-crude-by-rail.org/>].



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