

To the San Luis Obispo Planning Commission

June 21, 2015

As someone who lives in this beautiful part of the country and, also in the blast zone, I am writing to express my opposition to the Phillips 66 plan to build an oil off-loading facility, adjacent to its current refinery, in order to bring dirty, tar sands crude oil from Canada. Apparently, the plan would bring 1 mile long trains filled with up to 2.5 million gallons of this highly explosive material, at a rate of one train a day, Monday thru Friday, for years to come. There are so many reasons to oppose this project, including health concerns (water and air pollution), environmental concerns, (global climate change driven by fossil fuel usage), not to mention the physical danger of having one of these trains derail as has happened many times, at least once with the loss of many lives. It is not right to risk the lives and health of millions of people who live along the routes these trains must travel.

I, also, understand that this project could jeopardize many of the local oil producers, as there may not be enough capacity to take crude from Canada and from local wells, especially if Phillips can purchase the Canadian crude for a dollar or so less per barrel. And, finally, who stands to benefit from this highly unpopular project? Phillips 66 stockholders. So we, the people, assume all the risk, while Phillips 66 receives the benefits.

Please for the sake of SLO residents, and all the residents who live in the blast zone of this project, from here to Canada, I would ask that you reject this permit request.

Sincerely,



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