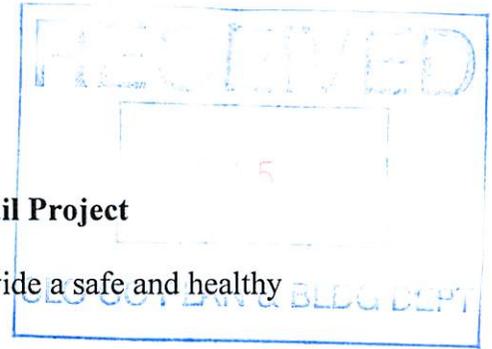


**San Jose Unified School District
Board of Education
Resolution 2015-06-11-03
Opposing the Phillips 66 Santa Maria Refinery Rail Project**



WHEREAS, school district governing boards have the obligation to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all students; and

WHEREAS, the Phillips 66 Santa Maria Refinery Rail Project would bring mile-long oil trains right through many California communities and next to hundreds of schools; and

WHEREAS, school employees are state-mandated disaster workers while on the job, and are not at all equipped to deal with the dangers posed by this project or to adequately protect the lives and the well being of our students; and

WHEREAS, the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) only evaluates rail-accident rates from 2003 to 2012 and spill rates between 2005 and 2009, omitting crucial data about accident frequency and magnitude in 2013 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, the EIR's worst-case scenario estimates a spill of 180,000 gallons, or roughly six tank cars of crude, a spill would devastate our schools, scarce water resources, sensitive ecosystems, homes and local economies; and

WHEREAS, the toxic air emissions that accompany this project pose a risk to public health and in its latest environmental review, Phillips 66 admits that its proposed oil train facility will create "significant and unavoidable" levels of air pollution along the rail route, with sulfur dioxide and other toxic chemicals;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Jose Unified School District Board of Education opposes this project for all of the above stated reasons and urges the San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors to reject the Phillips 66 Santa Maria Refinery Rail Project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the San Jose Unified School District, San Jose, California this 11th day of June 2015 by the following vote:

Upon approval, the Board will forward this resolution for the consideration of the San Luis Obispo Planning Commission at the following address: Mr. Ken Topping, Chair, County of San Luis Obispo Planning Commission, 976 Osos Street, Room 399, San Luis Obispo, California 93408

AYES: Engel, Castellanos, Ellenberg, Foley, Zarghami

NOES: None

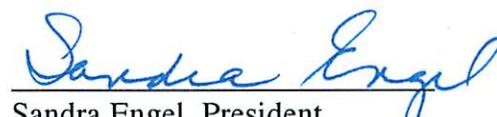
ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST:



Vincent C. Matthews, Ed.D.
Superintendent and Secretary
Governing Board of Education



Sandra Engel, President
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