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Subject: Proposal for Railspur by Phillips 66

Mr. Murry Wilson,

I am writing to request a "no project" decision for the proposed railspur by Phillips 66 in Nipomo along Highway 1. I recognize there are many factors to weigh but the concern that continues to haunt me is the permanent effect of approving such a land scar. The construction itself will change the land but the minerals and chemicals that will ensue will make the land unusable as we know it for generations. I think of the quarry dig on Vancouver Island. While a different type of scar, there are millions of dollars spent each year to maintain the Buttchart Gardens as the original developer's family's apology to future generations for ruining such special land.

To me, the valley of farms with the dunes and Pacific Ocean beyond is a remarkable beauty. We need to preserve such special places for future generations. I spoke with a 20 something year old today who was born and raised in SLO County. She feels horrible about the proposed expansion but is resigned that it may happen as she feels that no one cares about her age group and the challenges they face. My comments do include reputation integrity and vista disturbance concerns but are more specifically that as stewards of land and the earth's resources, the proposed landspur and expansion of Phillips 66 refinery enervates land that is too special to allow it to become a mechanical pit.

I appreciate the opportunity to share my concern and that the decision process includes input from residents.

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