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Subject: Phillips 66 Proposed Plan MUST be rejected

Mr. Murry Wilson, SLO County Planning Department:

While there are numerous reasons that the Board of Supervisors should NOT approve Phillips 66's proposed expansion plan, the number one reason is the substantial negative impact it would have on the health of all life due to toxic changes in air quality which the proposed P66 expansion would create. With the arrival of some 520 trains per year come significant health problems to the entire county (and beyond) due to diesel exhaust alone. Health officials have directly related heart disease, lung disease, and a number of types of cancer to diesel exhaust. The same is the case with petcoke, produced already at the refinery, guaranteed to increase in volume if the expansion is approved. With tar sands possibly (probably?) going to be refined at the refinery, there will be additional serious concentrations of toxic elements such as lead and benzene, among others, all known to affect respiratory and cardiac systems, often leading to cancer and death. These toxic changes will affect not only humans, but all living things - animals, agriculture and the environment.

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SLO County already has some significant air quality problems and is accumulating state and federal health standards violations. In fact, in its own REIR, Phillips 66 has identified five "significant and unavoidable" Class I air quality damaging impacts. These problems are certain to increase and expand across the county, as well as adversely affect global climate changes, if this plan is approved. At what cost to all living things does Phillips 66 show concern in creating, and submitting, this proposal? Rejection of the preposterous Phillip 66 proposed expansion plan is a must. I urge the Board of Supervisors to disapprove this plan.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Smelt

Please, an unequivocal and resounding "NO" to outrageous Phillips 66 Company Rail Spur Extension Project Proposal