From: Eileen Lussier <elussier123@gmail.com>
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Date: 11/15/2014 02:04 PM
Subject: Mesa rail spur

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However, I work with the cancer patients in our community who represent those numbers. I would like to present my concerns regarding the probability that this disease would increase even by a "seemingly small" amount due to this project. I would like to give those numbers faces for you to envision. Think of sitting with a 36 year old women who has worked hard and loves her family and is told that she will die soon and would not be around to care for her children of 6, and 12 years of age ; or the man who is no longer able to support or be around for his family of 2 teenagers due to his lung disease; or the women and men who had worked hard all their lives and planned to have a good retirement spending time with their grandchildren, but suddenly have been given a diagnosis that told them that their time was very short. I would like to present the large number of our young people, 32 year old, 36 year old, 40 year olds who are suddenly developing cancers in the prime of their lives. Unable to work, needing assistance. Who will be there to help them when they need it? These are real people, not just numbers. LUE-01

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The oil companies want to use train cars that are known to not be secure to transport crude; they are not worried about how they will pollute our air, water and food and how that will impact our health. They want to transport these dangerous products from Canada to Nipomo polluting the air with their diesel and risking lives not even slowing down when they carry dangerous chemicals though some of our most highly populated areas; through Silicon Valley, San Luis Obispo, near your house and mine, so that the large corporations can increase their profits. We are just collateral damage to them. How important is your health to you?

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From: Eileen Lussier <elussier123@gmail.com>
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Date: 11/23/2014 05:19 PM
Subject: phillips proposal for railspur

Dear Mr. Murry

I am very concerned about the proposed rail spur and transportation of product which holds a great potential for accidents along the entire proposed route. This route includes some major cities which could impact millions of people with one accident. Is this really worth it? Is it so important that Phillips reap higher profits by putting so many people at risk? We know that the Environmental impact report indicates that the chances of an accident occurring here is one in 19 years; however, there have been a large number of accidents that had occurred just this year.

LUE-02

Those accidents did impact the areas where they occurred. The accident may not occur in San Luis County, but you have the power to keep it from happening any where along the route of this train which is coming from Canada down through other states to CA and to the central coast. Seems to me that the chance of an accident somewhere along that route is better than one time in 19 years. How will you feel if it occurs anywhere along that route when you could have stopped it from happening. Please stop and think about the long range impact of your decision. My son lives in San Jose. I am concerned!

Thank you for taking the time to read my e-mail.

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Date: 11/23/2014 05:54 PM
Subject: proposed railspur

I would like to address my concerns regarding the potential for pollution of our air with the rail spur that Phillips is requesting. The air quality on the Mesa is concerning now due to Phillips and the dunes; however with the increase in rail trains that are proposed and the storage of coke which can easily be picked up by the wind and blown for great distances, the potential for unsafe days to be occurring on a consistent basis is more likely to happen than not happen. I do not think that it is fair to feel that it is more important for Phillips to make a larger profit than for the residents of the Mesa, and Arroyo Grande and Grover Beach and Oceano to have air that they can breathe without inhaling unnecessary and increased particulate that could eventually kill them. Please recognize the responsibility that you have as supervisors and the role of guardian of the people that you serve in that position. We count on you to make good decisions regarding our well-being. LUE-03

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From: Eileen Lussier <eileen.lussier@gmail.com>
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Date: 11/25/2014 11:08 AM
Subject: Mesa Rail Spur Proposal

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LUE-01	The RDEIR addresses the potential impacts and recommends mitigation measures for the proposed Project consistent with the requirements of CEQA. Section 4.3 (Air Quality and Greenhouse Gases) addresses GHG emissions, criteria air emissions and health risks. The cancer risk impacts from the proposed rail operations were found to be significant and unavoidable (Class I) both at the SMR and along the mainline rail routes. The commenter's statement about air quality, cancer impacts, and public safety are included in the FEIR for the decision-makers' consideration as part of the County's deliberations on the proposed project.
LUE-02	This comment does not identify a specific environmental analysis or CEQA issue relative to the EIR and compliance with CEQA. The commenter's concerns about the safety and environmental impacts of the project are included in the FEIR for the decision-makers' consideration as part of the County's deliberations on the proposed project.
LUE-03	The RDEIR addresses the potential impacts and recommends mitigation measures for the proposed Project consistent with the requirements of CEQA. Section 4.3 (Air Quality and Greenhouse Gases) addresses GHG emissions, criteria air emissions and health risks. The commenter's statement about air issues are included in the FEIR for the decision-makers' consideration as part of the County's deliberations on the proposed project. A study performed by the SLOCAPCD, the South County Phase 2 Particulate Study, evaluated whether impacts from off-road vehicle activities at the Oceano Dunes State Vehicle Recreational Area (ODSVRA), the Phillips Refinery coke piles, and adjacent agricultural fields were contributing to the particulate problems on the Nipomo Mesa (SLOC APCD 2010). The Phase 2 portion of the study concluded that off-road vehicle activity in the ODSVRA is a major contributing factor to the PM concentrations observed on the Nipomo Mesa and that neither the petroleum coke piles at the Phillips facility nor agricultural fields or activities in and around the area are a significant source of ambient PM on the Nipomo Mesa. The composition of the particulates is predominately natural crustal particles. The SLOCAPCD has determined that the dune complex along the coast of the Five Cities area is the source of the high particulate matter levels measured at the South Coast stations (SLOCAPCD Annual Emissions Report, 2013). The SMR has a coke dust plan to reduce coke dust and it does involve watering. However, the proposed Project is not anticipated to increase coke handling or contribute to dust particulate levels in the area.
LUE-04	The RDEIR addresses the potential impacts and recommends mitigation measures for the proposed Project consistent with the requirements of CEQA. Section 4.3 (Air Quality and Greenhouse Gases) addresses GHG emissions, criteria air emissions and health risks. Health risks were determined to be above the thresholds and found to be significant. See Appendix B.2. The

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