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PLANNING & BUILDING

Mr. Murry Wilson
County Dept. of Planning and Building
976 Osos St. Rm 300
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408-2040

Re: Proposed quarry in the Santa Margarita area

April 18, 2013

Dear Mr. Wilson:

The proponents of this proposed quarry would have you believe that they just want to be effective stewards of this property, in that they are long term residents of Santa Margarita and would only allocate a portion of the property to the actual quarry operation.

On a very superficial level, this sounds credible. However, the first red flag to me was that I did not see any endorsements from long time Santa Margarita residents. The second red flag was my understanding that they did not circulate their flier about this proposed project to any of the actual residents of Santa Margarita.

I have resided in the North County for over fifty years and was originally attracted to this area because of its natural beauty with its many wonderful beaches, lakes, and most of all, hundreds of acres unspoiled natural terrain.

Needless to say, if a quarry was to be located in this area, the resultant truck traffic on Highway 58 would present a monumental safety and congestion problem for local travelers as well as everyone else.

I fail to understand how anyone could reasonably suggest that environmental issues of traffic safety, noise levels, air quality and water use would not be adversely effected.

Perhaps equally upsetting would be that any non rural use of the pristine land would be an intrusion and assault to both local residents and anyone, like myself who greatly value the unspoiled natural of this country side.

Please, for the sake not only of current residents, but also future citizens, do not allow this intrusive and environmentally unsound project to proceed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Dan Rich