



Draft EIR Comment Form Proposed Las Pilitas Quarry Project

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Comment: The draft EIR briefly mentions bicycle traffic on Hwy 58 and that there are some places that will not accomodate truck and bicycle traffic. In

truth, from the proposed project site to El Camino Real there is nowhere that a truck and bicycle can occupy the highway. There is a considerable amount

of bicycle traffic on Hwy 58 daily and the EIR has not addressed this. There

was no survey done of bicycle traffic and EIR should include one and the means

of accomodating both truck and bicycle traffic. There are 2 consequences

of this condition not being mitigated. 1) Trucks encountering bicyclists will have

to travel at the speed of the bicyclist because they cannot leagally pass and

all traffic behind the truck will travel at the slower speed of the truck and

bicyclist. 2) The truck upon encountering the bicyclist traveling at a slower

speed will illegally cross the double yellow line to pass the bicyclist.

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Comment: The removal of approximately 50 native, historical, 100+ year old, oak trees and replanting with a different species is not acceptable and does not mitigate the activity. These

trees are part of the heritage of Santa Margarita. Once they are destroyed they are gone forever.

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Comment: Presently when traffic on Hwy 58, approaching the intersection of El Camino Real and

Hwy 58 is backed up past H Street passenger vehicles, and some heavy trucks turn left on to

I Street to get out of the congestion and reach Hwy 101 more quickly. Stop signs were erected at

various intersections on I Street to discourage through traffic. The stop signs have not been

effective. Additional truck traffic on Hwy 58 near the H Street school crossing will create

increased through traffic on I Street heading west. The EIR did not do a traffic survey of

I Street, but for the above reasons one should have been done. A traffic survey of I Street

should be required including the number of vehicles entering I Street at Hwy 58 and exiting

at Whilemena Street.

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Comment: The stated purpose of the project is to 1) provide an additional source of aggregate material in the local production-consumption region and 2) locate a concrete grade aggregate quarry as near as practicable to use areas in the San Luis Obispo-Santa Barbara production consumption region. The aggregate plants in the area are not at capacity and it is unlikely they will be in the near future. The Hanson Quarry on El Camino Real provides all the products proposed by the applicant and is closer than the proposed project with better access to Hwy 58 and Hwy 101. The applicant has not provided a sound basis for the project in view of the significant impacts on the area.

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