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I am a property owner and resident living 2.5 miles North of Santa Margarita, and I am 100% against this.

1) There are already 2 other quarries within 5 miles of the proposed site. The impacts of these existing quarries now are costing our community in water, noise, dust, road wear, excessive truck traffic and damaged windshields (I have had no less than 13 windshield cracks from gravel falling off trucks in the last 2 years alone!) Given the significant negative impacts we already are subject to, this proposed quarry would only make a bad situation worse.

2) The travel route for trucks going to and from this proposed quarry takes them directly through an elementary school zone, by a public park frequented by children, and over a main railroad corridor (that aside from the danger of accidents, frequently is blocked by trains for extended periods) The added risks these three issues present alone should be enough to stop any consideration of this quarry

3) The negative economic impacts go beyond the environmental, health, traffic and safety issues. The truck traffic will cause accelerated wear and increased maintenance costs on El Camino Real, and Hwy 58 at yet an additional cost to us, the taxpayers. There is absolutely no benefit to us local property owners having yet another quarry here, yet we will bear the burden of it's related costs through our taxes - in effect, subsidizing a private business enterprise.

This is a bad idea:

**It is a bad location,
a bad environmental impact,
a bad health and safety risk whose cost benefit does not mitigate it,
and a bad deal for everyone except the property owner and quarry operator who stand to profit at taxpayers expense.**

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