

August 9, 2010
Jeff Oliveira
Environmental Resource Specialist
Department of Planning and Building Environmental Resource Division
County of San Luis Obispo

Re: Oster Living Trust - Las Pilitas Quarry NOP

Dear Mr. Oliveira,

At the meeting of the CSA 23 Advisory Group our board unanimously agreed to send the following comments on the Notice of Preparation for the Las Pilitas Quarry EIR. Our comments focused on the following areas of concern:

1. Traffic
 - a. Problems at Highway 58 and El Camino Real
 - b. Issues surrounding the school crossing on Highway 58
 - c. Problems associated with the vertical curve just south of the school crossing
 - d. Accidents and problems associated with traffic on the s curve southeast of town
 - e. Traffic in and through Santa Margarita
 - f. Impacts at the Highway 101 on and off ramps
 - g. Identify and manage truck staging areas
 - h. Shortcutting on H, I and J streets if traffic backs up at the 58 and El Camino Real intersection. Wear and tear on surface streets by loaded trucks.
 - i. Vehicles parking in town
 - j. Project must consider additional truck trips beyond quarry traffic, if recycling of concrete and asphalt occurs. It can't be assumed that all recycling trips involve trucks also coming to obtain quarry rock
2. Noise
 - a. Issues associated with traffic noise on the section of Highway 58 in town and through town to 101
 - b. Trucks stopping and idling in town
3. Air Pollution and Dust
 - a. Problems with fugitive dust caused by traffic throughout the community of Santa Margarita
 - b. Increased air pollution from diesel trucks
4. Public Safety – Accident/Fire Response
 - a. Impacts on Santa Margarita Fire.
 - b. Impacts on Cal Fire at Parkhill Station

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the NOP.

Sincerely,
Robert Stockel
Santa Margarita CSA 23 Chair