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COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Comment Form

Oster (Las Pilitas Quarry) CUP / Reclamation Plan (DRC2009-00025)

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Comment: WHILE I HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THE NOISE, DUST, AND WATER USAGE, THEY PALE IN COMPARISON WITH THOUGHTS OF WHAT THE INCREASE IN HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC WILL MEAN FOR THE COMMUNITY. AS A DAILY COMMUTER ON HIGHWAY 58 BETWEEN PARK HILL AND DOWNTOWN SANTA MARGARITA, I CAN ATTEST TO THE FACT THAT THE ROAD IS DIFFICULT TO NAVIGATE IN A PASSENGER CAR. LACK OF SHOULDERS, TWISTS AND TURNS, AND THE COMBINATION OF A SCHOOL PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AND A RAILROAD CROSSING WITHIN LESS THAN ONE BLOCK MAKE THIS A DANGEROUS STRETCH TO DRIVE. I AM ALSO A FREQUENT BIKE RIDER ON THIS STRETCH OF ROADWAY, AS ARE MANY OTHERS. IT'S ALWAYS AN EXTREMELY DANGEROUS SITUATION, BOTH FOR THE BICYCLIST AND FOR VEHICLES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS; WHEN A CAR OR TRUCK PASSES A CYCLIST. THIS SITUATION IS EXACERBATED WHEN THE

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VEHICLE PASSING THE CYCLIST IS A TRUCK WITH A TRAILER. EVEN MORE DANGEROUS IS A TRUCK WITH TWO TRAILERS - WHEN PASSING, THE REAR TRAILER TENDS TO FISHTAIL, SCARING THE CYCLIST HALF TO DEATH BY THE NEAR MISS. (CAN YOU TELL THIS HAS HAPPENED TO ME?)

OF HUGE CONCERN TO ME IS THE SCHOOL CROSSING DIRECTLY IN THE PATH OF THIS TRUCK TRAFFIC.

I FEEL THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT SHOULD ONLY BE GRANTED UPON FULFILLMENT OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

* THE OWNERS OF THE PROPOSED QUARRY SHOULD PAY FOR THE WIDENING OF THE ROADWAY BETWEEN EL CAMINO REAL & THE SALINAS RIVER BRIDGE, WITH INSTALLATION OF A BIKE LANE IN EITHER DIRECTION.
* THE OWNERS OF THE QUARRY SHOULD PROMISE TO PAY FOR THE FREQUENT REPAVING THE ROAD WILL NEED DUE TO HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC.
* THE OWNERS SHOULD PAY FOR INSTALLATION OF TWO STOPLIGHTS: ONE AT THE INTERSECTION OF EL CAMINO REAL & HWY 58, AND THE OTHER AT THE SCHOOL CROSSING.

I FEEL THAT ONLY THESE IMPROVEMENTS WILL SERVE TO PREVENT PROPERTY DAMAGE, AS WELL AS POSSIBLE INJURY AND DEATH FROM TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

WHY SHOULD ONE INDIVIDUAL OR PROPERTY CONSUME SO MANY PUBLIC RESOURCES AND CAUSE SO MANY POTENTIAL PROBLEMS ALL FOR THE SAKE OF PERSONAL PROFIT? I DON'T SEE THAT THIS PROJECT WILL BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY ONE BIT.

Thank you!