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Good afternoon,  
Attached are some letters from our employees regarding the temporary truck permit in Santa Barbara. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

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March 01, 2022

Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors  
Truck Permit Hearing

I am writing this letter in support of ExxonMobil's temporary trucking permit.

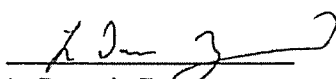
Back in 2015 Santa Ynez Unit was closed and for that reason hundreds of employees lost their jobs and their only livelihood. OST lost 10 employees and those that remained their hours were reduced due to lack of work.

If this permit is approved you would be bringing back well-paying, family-supporting jobs. Allowing the temporary trucking permit would give us the opportunity along with many other contractors to hire more people of which many will be minority at very good rate of pay which will help them get ahead.

We are a certified minority union owned company whose employees are 50% minority. The oil industry is a color blind industry where all walks of life with little or no education can make a very good living better than most of equal education.

During the pandemic we lost millions of dollars in revenue. This permit will be a vital part in our path to recovery. Help services such as the courts, libraries, and public works by \$1.98 million per year.

Sincerely,

  
L. Dennis Zermeno  
President

March 3, 2022

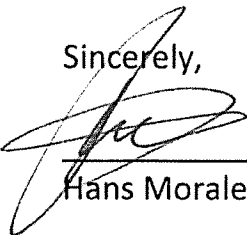
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Santa Barbara County needs the Santa Ynez Unit to restart as soon as possible to get people back to work and get families that have been separated back together.

Thousands of people lost their jobs due to the pandemic and this will provide multiple local jobs.

Please provide the temporary trucking permit, it will provide the much needed revenue that we need to fund schools, public safety and so much more.

Sincerely,



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Hans Morales

March 2, 2022

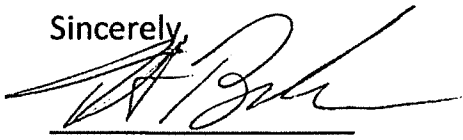
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Santa Barbara County needs the Santa Ynez Unit to restart as soon as possible to get people back to work and get families that have been separated back together. SYU was forced to shut down in 2015, which has resulted in the loss of good paying jobs from community members and tax revenues that we critically need. If SYU restarts, there could be tax revenues reaching \$7 million per year that will go to schools, fire, and public safety at a time when we face a likely recession.

SYU has operated safely since 1988 and in just the 10 years before the shut-in, it was one of the single-largest taxpayers in California paying more than \$45 million in taxes to Santa Barbara County. As the County faces a shortfall in their budget as a result of the pandemic, the influx of tax revenues will be most welcome. Especially when the revenues will mostly go towards underprivileged schools that rely on funds for free and reduced meals for their students. These revenues will also go towards the firefighters and public safety.

I urge the Board of Supervisors to approve of the temporary trucking permit to restart SYU, get people back to work, and bring back much-needed tax revenues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Burke', written over a horizontal line.

Tom Burke

March 02, 2022

Re: Truck Permit Hearing

To the Board of Supervisors,


I would like to encourage you to support Exxon Mobil's temporary trucking permit and the phased restart of their Santa Ynez Unit (SYU) facilities.

This project will benefit multiple local companies. The Project would initiate the phased restart of the existing Exxon Mobil SYU facilities by trucking limited crude oil production.

SYU was closed in 2015 causing hundreds of people lose their jobs. Reopening SYU will bring back many well-paying, family-supporting jobs and millions in revenue. The county needs this funding to support schools, public safety, fire and other important county services the pandemic only made worse.

I ask that the Board of Supervisors approve this permit, especially for the benefit of Santa Barbara County.

Sincerely,



Kyley L. Andrews

March 3, 2022

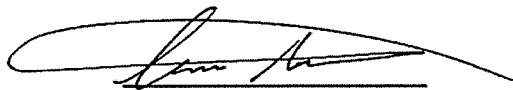
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Please approve the temporary trucking permit for the SYU. By approving this permit you are not only creating jobs for this project, but all the business oil and not oil in our community.

Under current circumstances, our County would benefit greatly from the return of well-paying, family-supporting jobs in addition to the extra revenues for funding schools, public safety, fire and other important county services.

Again, I must stress that this is a crucial time for our local economy, and approval of ExxonMobil's permit gets us one step closer to being whole again.

Sincerely,

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Thomas A. Tatangelo

March 01, 2022

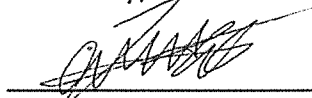
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California imports nearly half of its oil from overseas, and from other foreign countries, all which require tankers to transport from other countries like Saudi Arabia, Ecuador, Columbia, and Iraq. Keeping oil production local will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and benefit the environment.

Since the pandemic our world has not recovered from the economic hit. Under current circumstances, our County would benefit greatly from the return of well-paying, family-supporting jobs in addition to the extra revenues for funding schools, public safety, fire and other important county services.

This project will both help serve the large and existing demand for petroleum products and increase local and regional supplies of crude and lessen the usage of foreign imported oil, over all this is much safer and environmentally friendly way to produce the energy we need to power our daily lives.

Sincerely,



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Olga Yanelly Aguirre

March 3, 2022

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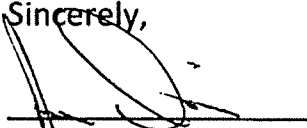
The price of oil is causing the price of oil is causing gas prices to soar out of sight.

If the trucking permit is approved hopefully this will allow more oil to enter the market. And the price of oil will drop along with gas prices.

Gas prices are hurting all of us especially low income and disadvantaged.

Please approve this permit.

Sincerely,



Jason Davis



March 3, 2022

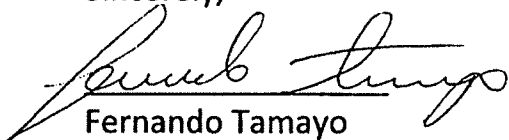
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I'm a truck driver in local 186 Teamsters who has worked in the SYU field transporting their equipment.

Please vote for this trucking permit which will create work for myself and my brother Teamsters.

We need this work to continue to survive in Ventura/ Santa Barbara counties. Please approve for myself, my family and many others that depend on this type of work.

Sincerely,

  
Fernando Tamayo

March 02, 2022

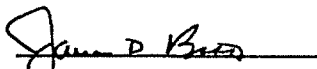
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ExxonMobil's interim trucking project will have an overwhelmingly positive impact on our local economy. The SYU Restart will bring back well-paying and family-supporting jobs, bring home workers displaced after SYU shut down, and generate over \$7 million in revenue for underserved schools, public safety and other vital County services.

SYU has operated safely since 1988 and in just the 10 years before the shut-in, it was one of the single-largest taxpayers in California paying more than \$45 million in taxes to Santa Barbara County. As the County faces a shortfall in their budget as a result of the pandemic, the influx of tax revenues will be most welcome.

The project will help serve the large and existing demand for petroleum products as well as provide hundreds of job to our local people.

Sincerely,

  
James Dean Brittain

March 02, 2022

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Santa Barbara County laws and regulations governing oil production and transportation are among the strictest in the country. The proposed trucking routes must follow over 100 laws, rules and regulations. They also included a Transportation Quantitative Risk Assessment which conclude no significant public safety risk from these trucks. On the contrary it will bring many jobs back.

The County will benefit greatly if the trucking permit is approved. Back in 2015 over 200 employees and 130 contactors lost their jobs due to no fault of their own but a third party pipeline. We need to get people back to work and get families that have been separated back together.

Sincerely,



Janie Andersen

March 3, 2022

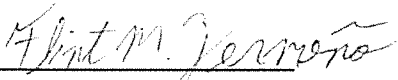
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Please approve the temporary trucking permit, this is an amazing opportunity to provide local jobs for hundreds of people.

We are living through a time when county funding is inherently uncertain because of the economic effects of the current COVID-19 pandemic.

It is a critical time to support our local community, and this project is a great way to restart a historically safe operation that is already permitted to operate.

Sincerely,

  
Flint M. Zermeño  
Flint Zermeño

March 2, 2022

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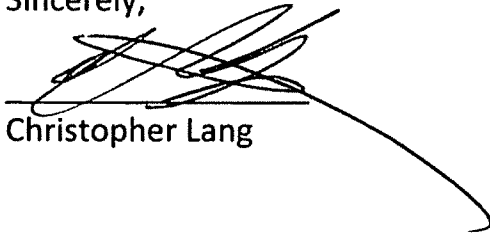
It's been nearly seven years since the Santa Ynez Unit was forced to shut down operations. There were once more than 330 employees and contractors that worked at SYU, now there are barely 60 people working to maintain their facilities.

Under current circumstances, Santa Barbara County would benefit greatly from the return of well-paying, family-supporting jobs in addition to the extra revenues for funding schools, public safety, fire and other important county services.

This is a crucial time for our local economy, and approval of ExxonMobil's permit gets us one step closer to being whole again after the pandemic.

SYU's safety record is fantastic. They have been permitted and safely operating since 1988 until 2015. The project will help serve the large and existing demand for petroleum products

Sincerely,



Christopher Lang

March 3, 2022

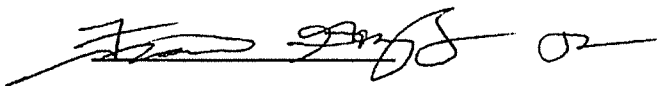
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I am writing to express my support for ExxonMobil's temporary trucking permit.

Oil produced in Santa Barbara stays in California, so it's better that we produce it here where we are less vulnerable to fuel shortages and price spikes, and where it is heavily regulated to protect the environment, rather than the global impact of importing oil from overseas.

Please approve this project it would help hundreds of people and companies like the one I work in that supports my family.

Sincerely,

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Francisca Gonzalez

March 4, 2022

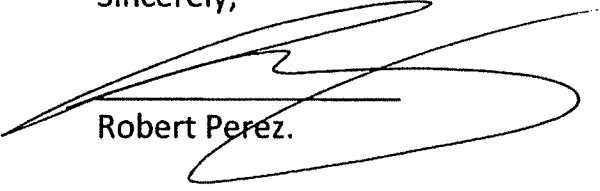
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I would like to request for the approval of the ExxonMobil's temporary trucking permit application.

This project will help serve existing demand for petroleum products, increase local and regional supplies of crude oil in addition to lessen our use and dependence on foreign imported oil as well as keeping our economic resources in the local area.

Please approve the truck permit it will help the county recover from these hard times.

Sincerely,



Robert Perez.

March 4, 2022

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Please approve the temporary trucking permit. People like me that work in a company that it is directly linked to the oil industry would benefit with this. It would give us more hours of work this would help me support my family. Not to mention this will create more jobs for many.

The revenue from this project will help Santa Barbara County to grow and recover from the past few years of uncertainty.

I politely request that the Board of Supervisors vote to approve this permit.

Sincerely,

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Nic Chutuk



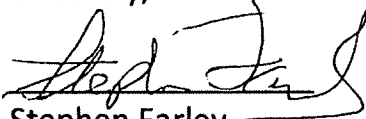
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I'm a crane operator in local 12 Operating Engineers who works in the oil industry. We need this temporary trucking permits to be approved which will create many jobs for myself and others.

In this day and age of war and inflation we need our oil here in the United States to make us independent and to bring the price of oil down. Please look to the future and approve this trucking permit for us locally and the United States.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Farley", written over a horizontal line.

Stephen Farley

March 4, 2022


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SYU has operated safely since 1988 and in just the 10 years before the shut-in, it was one of the single-largest taxpayers in California paying more than \$45 million in taxes to Santa Barbara County. That money is crucial at this time after dealing with the pandemic.

SYU lost over 200 employees and hundreds contractors. Please give this people a chance to come back and have well-paying and family supportive jobs.

The project will help serve the large and existing demand for petroleum products. This project only has positive outcomes. Please help this county recover.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kelly Ballensky". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end. A horizontal line is drawn under the signature.

Kelly Ballensky

March 4, 2022

Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors  
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I'm writing to request the temporary trucking permit to be approved. This project will bring millions in revenue that we need for school funding, public security and many more.

Support for the trucking permit is support for strictly regulated local production that is much safer than importing oil from other countries.

In addition to creating hundreds of local jobs. SYU has a long history of operational safety since 1988 and it was closed by no fault of its own.

Please approve this project.

Sincerely,

  
Armando Cisneros

March 4, 2022

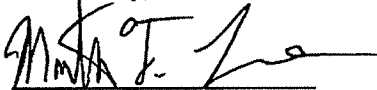
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The economic boost that getting operations going will come at a time when we need it most. SYU's estimated \$7 million in tax payments each year.

Back in 2015 SYU closed operations and hundreds of workers and contactors lost their jobs. If the Board of Supervisors approves the temporary trucking permit, many of these workers can get back to work with high-paying jobs and reunite with their families. Covid-19 only made matters worse.

Please help the people and the county recover and get back to prosperity.

Sincerely,

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Martin Lowe

March 4, 2022

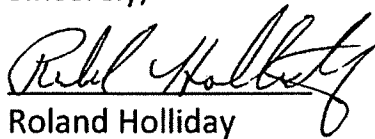
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Please approve the temporary truck permit until a new pipeline is available we need trucks to transport the oil.

This project will benefit everyone. This project will create hundreds of jobs, reunite families, bring revenue to the county and it is environmentally friendlier than importing from countries like Saudi Arabia, Iran or Russia.

We need to think about our people and the future generations. I ask of you to approve the temporary truck permit for Santa Barbara.

Sincerely,

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Roland Holliday

March 4, 2022

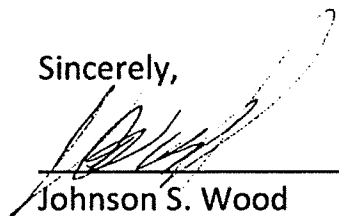
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I'm writing to ask you to approve the temporary trucking permit that will enable ExxonMobil to restart operations at the Santa Ynez Unit. The project will increase local and regional supplies and lessen the usage of foreign oil.

SYU had hundreds of high-paying jobs before the shutdown. Over the past six years, workers had to be laid off, or were relocated and are commuting over continents away from their families. Covid -19 was also a hard hit to our industry.

I ask of you to approve the temporary trucking permit and help our counties recover from this uncertainty.

Sincerely,



Johnson S. Wood