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General Public Comment - Group 2



From: Jennifer Avery (jenniferrosecompany@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message
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Sent: Sunday, March 9, 2025 8:11 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Deny Exxon trucking project - Upcoming Board of Supervisors Meeting

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Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

I urge you to deny this dangerous project as recommended by the Santa Barbara Planning Commission.

In addition to the significant and unavoidable risks of spills from trucking the oil, the purported benefit of producing oil from the offshore platforms and processing it on the Gaviota coast would bring with it unacceptable risks of offshore oil spills, air pollution and toxic fire and smoke risks that were not analyzed in the EIR, which focused narrowly on trucking impacts.

The recent oil spill off of Orange County underlines the severity of these risks. In addition, ExxonMobil's facilities were the largest sources of air pollution in the county and contained dangerous and toxic materials in an area that has burned by wildfire twice in the 6 years since the facilities have been shut down. We were fortunate that oil and dangerous gases were not present at the site during the recent Alisal fire, which burned onto ExxonMobil's property.

It is not just that the trucking routes are along sections of road with above average accident rates, there have been specific and recent instances of oil tankers on this route spilling oil into rivers and starting fires. In fact, on October 11 -- the same day as the Alisal fire -- an oil tanker crash near Orcutt caused a fire in Eucalyptus trees.

Thank you for denying this dangerous and unacceptable oil trucking project.

Sincerely,

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From: RITA MURDOCH <rmurd0287@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2025 8:32 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Re: increased pay

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I oppose this unnecessary increase in pay. It's insanity that part time board members should be paid what they are paid now and an increase is absurd. I hope that everyone living in Santa Barbara County will be up in arms with this ludicrous attempt to be paid more money for doing hardly anything worthwhile.
Rita murdoch

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From: pneushul@cox.net
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2025 2:08 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Submission for distribution prior to tomorrow's meeting

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11 March 2025

Board of Supervisors:

I am alerting the BOS that black letter California traffic law is not enforced in Isla Vista. Assembly Bill 413 went in to effect on 1 January 2025. The law prohibits the stopping, standing, or parking of a vehicle within 20 feet of the vehicle approach side of any unmarked or marked crosswalk or 15 feet of any crosswalk with a curb extension anywhere in California.

I spoke to a sergeant at the Isla Vista Foot Patrol who said "we could give tickets all day long and still not address all of the infractions—we do not have the staff to do this."

I learned that the traffic enforcement officer at the Foot Patrol is no longer employed. Is there no money to enforce California traffic law in Isla Vista?

The Daylighting law improves visibility at intersections and protects pedestrians, skateboarders, bicyclists, and other road users. We have a lot of those in Isla Vista—more than in any other part of the County.

In Isla Vista our four contiguous sidewalks are continually blocked by cars and every red corner has two cars on it.

I am a taxpayer who walks daily in Isla Vista and expects that a law created to protect pedestrians will be enforced. AB 413 passed because pedestrian deaths in our state are 24 percent higher than the rest of the country where daylighting laws are enforced.

I alerted the County DA about this last week and forwarded the letter to local and state representatives. I also alerted CARB that hundreds of thousands of grant dollars for a "mobility plan" do not include basic pedestrian safety.

The DA cannot be reached via email. I had to send a fax. That is unacceptable. I expect him to answer to my question: "Why is black letter California traffic law not enforced in Isla Vista?"

Peter Neushul