


[EXT]Diablo Canyon protest letter to Ms. Susan Strachan

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Thank you for reading and considering my letter below. Best, Melanie Backer

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Attn: Ms. Susan Strachan
San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning and Building
976 Osos Street, Room 300
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RE: Diablo Canyon Decommissioning EIR

Dear Ms. Strachan:

My name is Melanie Backer and as a resident of Guadalupe, California I am completely against the Diablo Canyon decommissioning project that is proposed to transport nuclear waste through Santa Barbara County.

The proposed project suggests that the railways in Pismo Beach and the Santa Maria Valley (through Guadalupe) could be utilized to transport and hold nuclear waste.

Guadalupe and Oso Flaco have been the sites of past oil contamination that is still not completely cleaned up and adding more chemicals and nuclear waste will cause further damage that may be irreversible to the environment and to people.

Guadalupe is the closest community to the ocean within the Santa Maria River watershed. Guadalupe is an important location for agriculture production and for maintaining sensitive wildlife, such as the snowy plover, which is a protected species and lives in and around the Guadalupe Dunes complex.

Guadalupe's water and soil already has higher concentrations of pesticides and nitrates than other nearby areas and does not need **any more** waste dumped here.

Please urge San Luis Obispo County to not infringe upon surrounding areas and have Diablo Canyon dispose of the nuclear waste safely and properly so that it will not cause any environmental issues.

I believe the best option is leaving the plant **as is** rather than contaminating other areas, people and disturbing local plant and animal life.

Thank you.

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