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Board of Supervisors
County of San Luis Obispo
County Government Center, Room D-430
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Re: Hydraulic Fracturing (Fracking)

Dear Supervisors:

I write on behalf of the City of San Luis Obispo to express our concerns of hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") and its potential environmental effects, including contamination of ground water, depletion of fresh water, risks to air quality, noise pollution, the migration of gases and hydraulic fracturing chemicals to the surface, surface contamination from spills and flow-back, and the health effects of these.

The City of San Luis Obispo's code does not permit drilling within City limits. However, the adverse health and environmental effects of fracking activity in the unincorporated areas are potentially far reaching, as a result of our shared resources, water, air, roadways and fault line. The City Council, on behalf of its citizens, calls on the County Board of Supervisors to take a proactive approach in adopting a countywide prohibition on fracking that protects the health and quality of life of all of our residents.

Thank you for your considerations to this very important issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jan Marx".

Jan Marx
Mayor

cc: City Council
Dan Buckshi
Rita Neal