

POLLUTERS SHOULDN'T GET THE OK FOR DANGEROUS OIL TRUCKING

Santa Barbara County can't let ExxonMobil crowd our highways with dangerous oil trucks and restart dormant offshore drilling. Soon the county will decide whether to let Exxon put up to 70 trucks onto Santa Barbara roads every day. <u>72% of Santa Barbara voters are</u> <u>concerned</u> "about the safety of our local highways" under Exxon's proposal.

California generally prohibits trucking offshore oil, and for good reason. Oil truck <u>accidents</u> cause fires and explosions, injure and kill people, and spill hundreds of thousands of gallons of crude a year onto roads and into waterways.

ExxonMobil, one of the world's largest corporations, falsely presents itself as a Santa Barbara good neighbor. In reality it has a bad safety track record and uses its wealth and influence to keep polluting.

EXXON'S BAD ENVIRONMENTAL AND SAFETY TRACK RECORD

- ExxonMobil is responsible for some of the world's biggest environmental disasters: think, Exxon Valdez.
- In 2015 Exxon's outdated equipment and safety gaps at its <u>Torrance refinery</u> led to one of California's most dangerous refinery explosions.
- 74,000 gallons of oil from a busted Exxon pipeline polluted 15 miles of the <u>Santa Clara River</u>, killing fish and wildlife in 1991.
- Exxon consistently ranks among the world's top polluters, including 42 billion tons of carbon pollution since 1965.
- The Las Flores processing facility that Exxon wants to restart was <u>Santa Barbara County's top greenhouse gas polluter</u> before it shut down in 2015.
- Federal and state regulators have cited Exxon's California operations for <u>more than \$10 million</u> in violations, and federal records showed <u>severely corroded</u> offshore platforms with a "number of components out of compliance."

EXXON'S UNJUST INFLUENCE DEEPENS THE CLIMATE CRISIS

- ExxonMobil funded lies and misinformation about climate science and global warming even though records show <u>the</u> <u>company knew by 1977</u> that burning fossil fuels caused climate change.
- ExxonMobil has spent more than <u>\$260 million</u> on U.S. lobbying since 1998, more than any other energy company, seeking to expand drilling in public lands and waters and prevent climate action.
- In California, ExxonMobil has spent <u>\$6.2 million lobbying</u> and <u>\$2 million</u> directly on politicians, ballot measures and political committees that facilitate fossil fuels and oppose climate action since 2001.
- Under public pressure ExxonMobil pledged to stop funding climate change denial campaigns in 2007. But since then it has given \$2.3 million to politicians and groups that oppose climate action.

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