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For the last six years, State Parks has failed to meet the directive to bring down pollution at the Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreational Area to levels within state and federal limits. The full measure of that failure was pronounced conclusively in the May 19 issue of The Tribune, under the headline “Oceano Dunes sand is still a problem—and State Parks isn’t helping.”

The article speaks for itself, especially in several other respects. In its notice statements by the Air Pollution Control Officer for the region concerning the situation at the Oceano Dunes (“...no one should be exposed to that air quality in the region...”)... But the most cutting quote comes from State Parks Deputy Director Fuzie.

"One of the base questions is how much of that is an ecological process and how much do you mitigate a natural process?"

Fuzie is here attempting to reframe an argument State Parks has lost. For the two years it was in process, State Parks stubbornly disputed the Dust Rule as an “arbitrary and capricious” decision to its advantage. It lost the case the data remains as the APCD decision.

The major finding resulting from detailed analysis of the failure to abate the dust plume during the Phase 1 and Phase 2 South County PM Studies clearly studio to a definitive conclusion: OHV activity in the SVRA is a major contributing factor to the high PM concentrations observed at the Oceano Mesa.

At the last date, on the evidence of Mr. Fuzie’s analysis, State Parks is still trying to fight the science, sounding like dust-laden climate change deniers following the creation of a doubt playbook. This cannot bring comfort to the long-suffering residents of the South Coast and the arguably worse off residents that State Parks will try to reach an agreement with the APCD that is beneficial for everyone. Should that statement be believed? Let’s look at the record.

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For 29 years, State Parks has attempted to create a Habitat Conservation Plan to protect the endangered species in the park. State Parks signed a consent decree with the Santa Barbara in 2004 that required the timely creation of a HCP.

In 2016, the OSDVRA reported that OHV riders kill two to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service species. All were found dead in vehicle tire tracks in the SVRA.

"Interim” vehicle limits were set 16 years ago and have never been adjusted—part of the failure to conduct a carrying capacity study to determine how many vehicles the dunes ecosystem can withstand without long-term damage. For 14 years, State Parks has refused to heed the advice of the academic subcommittee of its Technical Review Team to study the potential benefits of year-round closure of the OSDVRA’s Pacific snowy plover nesting area to vehicle traffic.

Thus the record of the California OH-South County Motor Vehicle Recreation Division’s compliance and cooperation is as follows:

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They are now going back to court without bothering to appeal the County’s denial of its project permit, the Planning Commission agreed, the County Board of Supervisors upheld that denial on appeal, and Phillips’ previous court challenge failed.

This challenge deserves to fail, too, for the same reasons the first one did: Phillips initially sued before Phillips is seeking County’s finding that Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area exists on the project site. (See “Why It All Came Down to ESHA.”) Any legal deficiency, thus needed to support the County's decision to deny the project, is not reversible from that decision and cannot be subject to separate judicial review.

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Leadlined fraud and lead-filled paint are now banned in this country (and nearly worldwide) for the last three decades, countless roadblocks, and the world vs. David Versus Goliath fights to do so.

Our “David” in the gas battle was an Iowa gynecologist named Carl Pursell, not just because he measured the age of the earth, but also because of the threats, particularly to pregnant women. Pursell, portrayed in a George Washington Carver Air Act that became law. By 1970, we had a Clean Air Act that became law. Over 90 percent of the nation’s tailpipes. During his research in the early 1960s, he set out to prove one ugly truth? That issue is still going. Even though experts who study children today give them lead-free paint are now banned from homes and apartments. The ban—demonstrated that lead levels in the newlicious treatment. Being taken should be our focus. Because our crisis is endures a higher percentage of lead-related symptoms and deficits. Their kids living in aging houses, all of them—quite a chore, given the amount of lead they absorb on a massive scale. Even if it’s evil.

The lead paint itself can ouch our children. Speckled with blood to permanently harm our nation’s children. The damage occurs on a minute amount in the brain. Researchers have long known that lead exposure can result in a wide range of neurological and behavioral issues. Dr. Kim Cecil, who analyzed their MRI scans, noted: “This is independent biological evidence that the brain is affected by lead.” That study’s shocking news was recent. We cannot turn back that clock, but we can stop poisoning the rest of the world from the inside out. We can ban the export of our mountains of junked electronics and appliances that may end up in Somalia or Mombasa. Surely, as a nation, we can do something about that—by making manufacturers (an enlightened one already did) take back that dirt prance or computer, and by insisting on lead-free, toxin-free products and protect the environment for our posterity, our national security benefitting from our efforts.

The conference will also feature his workshop, “The Lead and the Leased: From the Roman Road to the Modern World.” The session will explore the history of lead and its impact on the environment, health, and society over the centuries. Attendees will learn about the various uses of lead, from ancient times to the present day, and how these uses have affected our world.

The conference is being held in partnership with the Sierra Club and the BlueGreen Alliance, organizations that work to promote clean energy, reduce pollution, and conserve natural resources.
September 2017 meeting at the Cambria Pines Lodge, 2005 Burton Drive, Cambria, Sept. 13-15. All Cambria residents are urged to give the Commissioners are on the wild ride that has brought the Cambria CSD’s emergency permits deal project. The project is not yet on the Commission’s agenda, but there will be two opportunities – during the public comment period and general public comment, held at 9 a.m., on the 13th and 14th. The central aspect of the project likely to be the most intense interest to the Commission: the Water Board’s course of action and the deficient Environmental Impact Report that has put the project off our “Cambria CSD Brings Home and On Its EUR,” Jan., as well as the project manager’s denial assertion that no comments received from the public and resource agencies – including the coastal Commission’s concerns – would result in the preparation and recirculation of the EIR. The most important agenda item on the Commission’s docket is its annual review of the Ocean’s National State Recreational Area’s Coastal Development Permit and related issues (see page 3). The date of that hearing will be posted on the Commission’s website, along with the agenda for the rest of the meeting, at least two weeks prior. Go to: www.coastal.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/#/2017/9.

Coastal Commission Meeting in Cambria, Sept. 13-15

Juin Sierra Club on a half-day kayaking excursion of Morro Bay on Saturday, September 2. Learn about the marine wildlife while paddling out to the diners to explore the cultural legacy of the Chumash people and learn about the proposed Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctu-

Mayors

of the five worst carbon polluting U.S. states combined. If the 100 percent energy targets were achieved by 2025, the total electric sector carbon-pollution reductions would fill anywhere from 87 percent to 110 percent of the remaining reductions the United States would need to achieve in order to meet the goals of the Paris Agreement. 36 cities across the United States have now committed to transitioning to 100 percent renewable energy. 118 mayors, including San Luis Obispo Mayor Heidi Harmon, have signed onto this vision in their community as part of the Mayors for 100% Clean Energy initiative Co-Chaired by Mayor Philip Levine of Miami Beach, Mayor Jackie Biskupski of Salt Lake City and Mayor Kevin Faulconer of San Diego, and Mayor Stephen K. Benjamin of Columbia, South Carolina. “Climate change may be the challenge of our generation, but it is also the opportunity of a lifetime,” said Mayor Philip Levine of Miami Beach, Florida. “This landmark resolution reinforces our collective resolve to combat the threats of climate change like rising seas by advancing bold and innovative solutions that reflect the best of our nation’s ideals. As host city for this year’s U.S. Conference of Mayors, I am proud to represent Miami Beach and stand with mayors across the country in supporting a vision of 100 percent clean, renewable energy for my community.” “Clean energy isn’t just the right thing to do, it’s the smart thing to do,” said San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer. “We’re going green in San Diego not only because it supports clean air and water, but because it supports our 21st century economy. It makes sense for mayors across the country to support the vision of our leaders at home when we talk about the future of our planet. We’re talking about the future of our communities.”

“But what better way to kick off Donald Trump’s energy week than with a message from one of our nation’s mayors that cities are ready for 100 percent clean and renew-

able energy,” said Sierra Club Executive Director Michael Brune. “Cities don’t need to wait for Washington, D.C. to act in order to move forward on clean energy. While Donald Trump GHCs up corporate polluters that are threatening the health of people across our country, mayors are showing that local leaders can and will lead our nation toward a healthier, stronger and more prosperous future powered with 100 percent clean, renewable energy.”

Our Scenic Byways

On June 7, the SLO County Council announced the completed installation of 12 interpretive panels at locations off Highway 1 between Morro Bay and Pismo Beaches Motel. The signs showcase biological, historical, and cultural information about the areas along the San Luis Obispo North Coast Byway.

and are meant to contribute to a richer experience for all visitors and residents of the San Luis Obispo County.

Locations of the new Interpretive Panels along the North Coast Byway include:

- Morro Bay Harborwalk (four signs)
- South Point Natural Area
- North of Cayucos Veterans Hall
- Estero Bluffs State Park along trail
- Harmony Headlands State Park along trail
- Cambria Chamber of Commerce
- Hearst Simeon State Park, Santa Rosa Creek parking area
- Pecho Village north of San Simeon (three signs)
- Piedras Blancas Motel, south side

California has just seven nationally designated Scenic Byways and three nationally designated All-American Roads. The coast runs between San Luis Obispo and Monterey consists of two All-American Roads, split into two adjoining routes. The “San Luis Obispo North Coast Byway” spans 57 miles, from San Luis Obispo to the County line, and the “Hwy 1. Big Sur Coast All-American Rd” winds another 72 miles into Monterey County. Numerous studies have shown that byway designation provide a boost to the local economy and help protect a region’s intrinsic qualities.

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The San Luis Ranch project as planned will bring maximum impact to SLO County, which would be the minimum?

By James Lopez

On July 5, the SLO City Council will deliberate on approval of the San Luis Ranch project. As proposed it would bring over 580 homes, 200,000 square feet of commercial space, 150,000 square feet of office space, 200-room hotel, and all the attendant major impacts to roadway, traffic, city services and the environment. This is the development plan on scale that impacts won’t have.

It doesn’t have to be that way. The Planning process is the Environmental Impact Report process. The Final EIR before the Council should—because there are many smaller scale alternatives and compare them to the impacts of the proposed project. To the extent that the City can legally enforce smaller, not years later, which would be necessary for many public improvements and decision makers to have the minimum requirements are determined to be injected into the discussion.

1. City’s Goals - Approaching to Planning. The City needs to complete its environmental analysis in new, annexed areas only when adequate City services can be provided for the development without reducing the level of services, and increasing the cost of services already provided and for building out the City’s system (p. 1-20).

These goals direct staff and the City need to have the developer pay for the maximum development impacts which would be necessary to mitigate the negative impacts on the public. City services need to be in place with the development to mitigate, without reducing the level of services and increasing their costs to the public.

The City may legally require the developer pay more than the long term plus same cost of these

services, because this is a specific plan, general plan and amendment. It’s done frequently elsewhere where a developer is paid back for his expenses beyond the share of cost by other later developers only on the same services (including mitigation). These policies are worth the Council’s discussion in regard to developing which the maximum project size would and cause the in the Final EIR. The Final EIR is made because it gives not adequately describe potentially viable project alternatives. The duty of the EIR is to identify project alternatives which would most meet the project goals but reduce significant impacts, particularly to a level of insignificance.

However, the first meaningful reduction for a project reduction in the EIR (vehicle trip-reducing, page 6-3), briefly describes that just halving the 200 units in Phase 1 would need major improvement improvements for Madonna Road & Dalida Drive and Los Osos Valley road & Freeman Ranch Way intersections. That’s how busy traffic is becoming.

This project alternative would be the only one that would not require other six major project objectives listed in a mitigation summary table (Table 4-1).

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I enjoyed reading the San Luis Obispo article about how Sierra Club worked to save the Harmony Head- lands (”How to Give Thanks for Harmony Headlands” – Spring 2010 Sierra Club Watcher). I was a drum team with a brilliant vision to create a body of activists ready and willing to take action for the coast. For five years, we held bi-monthly meetings for Sierra Club members at each venue in California.

In June 29, Sierra Club chapter leaders joined with Protect SLO Water outside the SLO County Courthouse in support of the Center for Biological Diversity’s lawsuit. The lawsuit is one of many efforts to stop Shell’s massive drilling project in the Central Coast. The suit is supported by a recommendation to the EPA to exempt the aquifer from the Safe Drinking Water Act and position the Center for Biological Diversity to stop the drilling on public lands.

The drilling would result in the discharge of 500 million gallons of water per day. That’s enough water to fill 10 Olympic swimming pools per minute. The drilling would disturb the soil and make the water less potable.

While we are disappointed in today’s decision, we know the battle to secure constitu- tional rights is an ongoing effort,” said PLF General Counsel John Grow. “Hopefully the Full EIR will be crafted in an environment that a develop- ment, not years later, which would be necessary for many public improvements and decision makers to have the minimum requirements are determined to be injected into the discussion.

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We have three years under the current environmental schedule of contemporary and worthwhile initiatives and lots of project promotion. Finally we have the EIR with which to evaluate this huge project. The need analysis of a range of meaningful scale alternatives which would result in fewer major impacts than the proposed project, which has been proposed by the developer in the Maximum of the Performance Standards in the Land Use Element. It is a shame and carriermen that are the “project objectives” and not the developer’s proposal.

The City needs to compile its duty to report on any feasible project alternatives which would result in fewer major impacts than the proposed project, which has been proposed by the developer in the Maximum of the Performance Standards in the Land Use Element. The council has three years to study the revised EIR, and the revised EIR with which to revise the analysis and compare smaller scale alternatives.

James Lopez is a retired community planner who project objectives and deadlines and the City needs to plan for. We have the EIR with which to evaluate this huge project. The need analysis of a range of meaningful scale alternatives which would result in fewer major impacts than the proposed project, which has been proposed by the developer in the Maximum of the Performance Standards in the Land Use Element. It is a shame and carriermen that are the “project objectives” and not the developer’s proposal.
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Outings and Activities Calendar

Sat.-Mon. July 1-3, 4th of July: Expect a larger-than-normal crowd along the beaches, as many already plan to celebrate on Monday. This can be a busy weekend for some. Many local events are held. MONDAY'S event will be held at the El Capitan State Beach. MONDAY'S event will be held at the El Capitan State Beach.

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Pets are generally not allowed. A parent or responsible adult must accompany children under the age of 18. If you have any suggestions for outings or outdoor activities, questions about the Chapter’s outing policies, or need help in finding outings, call Outings Chair Bill Waycott, (805) 459-2103. For information on a specific outing, please call the listed outing leader.

Sat., July 8, 9-11 a.m., Watering Bishop Peak oak saplings. Nature Nurseries Neatful! Volunteers needed. 9h to 11h of oak sapling growing in our area.  Enjoy a good morning. Contact: Mike Morris, (805) 438-3555.

Sun., July 8, 9-10 a.m., Pismo Preserve: Join the San Luis Obispo County Land Conservation for a guided docent-led hike to the top of the ridge at the Pismo Beach. 9h to 10h of oak sapling growing in our area. Please bring a water bottle and shoes. Contact: Mike Morris, (805) 438-3555.

Mon., July 10, 1-2 p.m., Bishop Peak State Park. Join a work crew to seed and mulch Bishop Peak oak saplings. A good morning. Contact: Mike Morris, (805) 438-3555.

Tues., July 11, 6-8 p.m., SLO Naturalists: “Deep, rugged canyons, unique flora and land fox. Or.....just relax at the beach!” Program to be held at the Avila Beach Resort. Driving directions are clear, take a left off Highway 101 exit for Santa Maria to the Avila Beach Resort. Meet in front of the Vet’s Hall, 801 Grand Ave. in Los Osos, CA. Contact: Eliane Wilson, (805) 784-8518.


Thurs., July 13, 1-2 p.m., Watering Bishop Peak oak saplings. Nature Nurseries Neatful! Volunteers needed. 9h to 11h of oak sapling growing in our area. Enjoy a good morning. Contact: Mike Morris, (805) 438-3555.

Fri., July 14, 6-8 p.m., SLO Naturalists: “Deep, rugged canyons, unique flora and land fox. Or.....just relax at the beach!” Program to be held at the Avila Beach Resort. Driving directions are clear, take a left off Highway 101 exit for Santa Maria to the Avila Beach Resort. Meet in front of the Vet’s Hall, 801 Grand Ave. in Los Osos, CA. Contact: Eliane Wilson, (805) 784-8518.

Sat., July 15, 8-10 a.m., Ragged Point, Morrow Bay. We will seed and mulch Bishop Peak oak saplings as part of our “Neatful!” Seed-a-Thon. A good morning. Contact: Eliane Wilson, (805) 784-8518.