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How to Submit Comments on the Valero Crude By Rail Project Draft Environmental Impact Report [DEIR]

You can make a difference! Let the Planning Commission, City staff, Mayor and City Council know your questions and concerns about Valero Refinery's proposal to import crude oil by rail.

Download the DEIR here:

http://www.ci.benicia.ca.us/index.asp?SEC={FDE9A332-542E-44C1-BBD0-A94C288675FD}

1. Send your thoughts, concerns and comments on the DEIR to the City of Benicia by July 30th.

If the 45-day public comment period is extended, that decision will be announced at the July 10th Planning Commission's public hearing on the Project.)

(**Note**: When writing to the City Manager and Principal Planner, be sure to say, "Please add my comments to the public legal record on Valero's Crude By Rail Project and incorporate them as part of the DEIR review.")

Send comments by email to:

Brad Kilger, City Manager, bkilger@ci.benicia.ca.us and

Amy Million, Principal Planner, Community Development Dept., amillion@ci.benicia.ca.us.

Or send comments by letter: Benicia City Hall, 250 East L Street, Benicia, CA 94510, or by Fax: (707) 747-1637.

To deliver comments to Planning Commissioners, send email c/o Amy Million <a million@xi.benicia.ca.us> and request that she forward to Planning Commissioners.

2. Write Letter to the Editor to local news media:

Benicia Herald, 820 First St, Benicia, CA 94510, or by email to Marc Ethier, Editor < beniciaherald@gmail.com> AND Vallejo Times-Herald, P.O. Box 3188, Vallejo, CA 94590, Fax: 643-0128, or by email to Editor Jack Bungart jbungart@timesheraldonline.com.

3. Stay tuned!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR: The official public hearing on the DEIR will be held by the Planning Commission on Thursday, July 10th. This is your chance to comment orally on the DEIR and voice concerns about the Valero Project. Your comments will become part of the public record for the DEIR review. The meeting begins at 7pm, in city council chambers. Be sure to be there early to get a seat! Watch for further announcements on the Benicia Independent's Events page. Benicialndependent.com.

The City of Benicia website is posting public comments submitted to date.

City of Benicia public comments on Valero Crude By Rail received during May, 2014

Note that the City's public comments are now PDFs with searchable text, however the comments for a given period of time all appear in a single document. The index at the top of the document is neither paginated nor linked. To find a particular comment, just open the document in your PDF viewer and search on that person's name.

Older public comments and project documents are on the City of Benicia's <u>Valero Crude By Rail page</u> as well as on **Benicialndependent.com**, Roger Straw, Editor

Also, check Benicians for a Safe & Healthy Community website: SafeBenicia.org