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**Subject:** Item 26 World Oil Tank appeal

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- [Item 26: Appeal of the Board of Harbor Commissioners' adoption of the Final Initial Study/Negative Declaration \(IS/ND\) for the World Oil Tank Installation Project \(Project\) January 4, 2022](#)

Dear Decision Makers:

I urge you to uphold the appeal and demand an Environmental Impact Report/EIR for this major fossil fuel expansion project.

I find it incredible that the Negative Declaration, done by the Port for the Project, does not find that adding 50,000 barrels of marine diesel fuel to the facility would not add pollution to the air and water and affect the health of nearby residents.

To quote Julia May, Senior Scientist, Communities for a Better Environment:

“The Project has clear potential to cause significantly increased hazards, air and water pollution, and cumulative impacts.”

As Dani Ziff, CA Coastal Commission staff writes, there is also no evidence provided in the Negative Declaration that shows these storage tanks will not be a danger in the event of rising sea level and severe storms

How do these new tanks comply with these requirements of the Green Port policy:

- **Air – Reduce harmful air emissions from Port activities.**
- **Water – Improve the quality of Long Beach Harbor waters.**
- **Soils/Sediments – Remove, treat, or render suitable for beneficial reuse contaminated soils and sediments in the Harbor District.**
- **Sustainability – Implement sustainable practices in design and construction, operations, and administrative practices throughout the Port.**

At the very least, the existing tanks should be removed, so there is an actual reduction in the fuel storage amount.

Please **protect** the health and safety of all those who live and work **near** this Diesel Death Zone and demand an adequate EIR for this project.

Sincerely,  
Ann Cantrell, **Co-Chair**  
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