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Dear Board of Supervisors: The item before you listed as ministerial does not prohibit you from listening to the community, to the children and to your common sense.

I have reviewed the staff report, planning commission and appellants documents. Fully understand the arguments, the planning guidelines and the, as always, liability concerns. We've argued many times over these seriously outdated environmental documents. Many new laws to protect the public have been put in place since the 60's; seatbelts, smoking bans, air quality/water quality protection acts, all with the public as the benefactor of doing what's right to protect us.

As you know, the state acted to put greater boundaries around communities to protect them from environmental hazardous projects, and yes, this is facing a referendum that will spend millions to basically say industry knows better, and to stop protecting our children. Common sense says you don't put DDT in our water, land, air, but the industry fought it for years. We still see the negative impacts from the use of that product.

It's times to be courageous and stand up for what's right, what's common sense and protect our children. Children don't know boundary lines for hazardous uses, they just know when they can't breathe and their parents are rushing them to our hospital. Ministerial is not a rubber stamp!! Enough is enough —find your courage, remember why you ran for office and who you represent. Vote NO on this application.

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