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Dear Members of the Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board,

The issue of air pollution created by the Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation area has been vastly overstated in my opinion. The relative humidity in the region prevents the dispersal of silica dust as claimed by the SLO APCD. The loss of recreational opportunities for Californians would be significant, as would the damage to the local economy from the loss of spending from enthusiasts who enjoy the off-road opportunities at the Oceano Dunes.

A true, valid assessment of environmental impacts from recreational use of the dunes must be used as the basis of any decision having significant consequences to the region. Please consider the cost versus benefit of your decision when you vote on this issue.

Respectfully,

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