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We are unable to attend the meeting on air pollution on March 21. Our thoughts will be with our neighbors in attendance. Our thoughts will be with our neighbors in attendance.

The dust from the dunes (i.e. the silica) is not just a public nuisance, but a terrible health hazard which causes asthma, heart disease and lung disease. Shutting down hundreds of acres in the Oceano dunes state vehicle recreation area is a good idea. Installing native vegetation in 18 to 20 acres is also a very good idea. I don't know how effective fencing is. I wrote to Gov. Brown on the fencing issue, and the expenditure of \$1 million of our taxpayers money to put up fencing. He never acknowledged my letters; and the fencing proved to be a boondoggle.

I can't believe state parks has a five-year plan. In five years how many residents of the Nipomo Mesa will become ill or die?

Most of the people driving ATVs trucks and so forth are from Fresno and Bakersfield. They don't live in SLO County. They fill our emergency rooms every weekend. They sustain injuries and even cause deaths. Most devastating, they make us ill and shorten our children's lives. All in the name of "recreation".

If you install an experimental area of two or three acres to test the effectiveness of a vehicle closure and reducing sand transport, I am sure you will find closing the area and all areas is the answer. Please listen to us, the citizens of SLO County, California, and do the right thing now, not in five years.

The "American Lung Association" says San Luis Obispo County's air is the worst in the nation, and that you need to act NOW, not in five years. Save birds, save health, close down riding on the dunes.

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