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HECA hearing tonight

I would like to go on record in opposition to the HECA plant in the southern San Joaquin Valley. My main concern is air quality because I have asthma and the air quality around Bakersfield is already terrible. I am one of those people who regularly follows daily AQI ratings and am alarmed by the # of "Unhealthy for Sensitive People" we now have. I am concerned about increasing particulates in the air not only from plant operations but from the trucks and trains that will be hauling coal in and fertilizer out. I was unaware of the latter aspect until morning's KVPR broadcast but if local farmers are put out of business, then the fertilizer will not be salable locally but will have to be trucked out.

Thank you for your attention,

Sasha Honig