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Public Comment on the TrePac E. I. R. for Buffer Part

The Executive Director for the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce has told me, in essence, THERE IS NO MARKETPLACE DEMAND FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE WILMINGTON WATERFRONT AREA so long as the Air Quality is so bad that Private Investors or Developers are not interested in risking their own funds for such Development. So why in heavens name, does the City Harbor Dept. want to put in a Masterplanned Park straddling the most Diesel Toxic Area or Corridor in Wilmington, Harry Bridges Blvd., that, even, the Port Staff admits WILL GET ALOT WORSE BEFORE IT GETS BETTER over the next Ten to fifteen years, according to Dr. Ralph Appy himself?

Certainly, responsible Adults already know that the Masterplanned Park, in general, and the Bufferpart in particular, aka, the Manscoped Hillside, IS DESIGNED TO ATTRACT CHILDREN AND THE ELDERLY TO ITS TOP, as the Ports Chris Brown has told us, to view the somewhat distant Wilmington Waterfront, if seen through stacks of Containers, WHILE UNWITTINGLY TAKING THE PROVERBIAL GSS PIPE, i. e., ULTRA FINE DIESEL PARTICULATE MATTER up from the Harry Bridge Diesel Truck and Train Corridor, some two stories below with only a forty five feet setback, or so.

Dr. John Proines Warning of 2 August, 06

On 2 August, of last year, the City Port Commission heard the preeminent Expert on Ultra Fine Diesel Particulate Matter speak with Q. and A before the City Harbor Commission, with only Commissioner Lopez Mendoza missing. I received a copy of Dr. Proines Q. and A from the LAHDS Graphics Dept. headed by Mr. Brian Montgomery, some three months, or so, ago. I have listened carefully to it THREE TIMES in its entirety, since then.

Early on in Dr. Froines Presentation, he agrees with President Freeman that THERE IS NO CLEAN DIESEL FUEL and anyone who says so IS A FRAUD. Both Agree that only Electric and, to some extent, LPG is much better, while Hydrogen Power seems the cleanest of all, but that seems far off.

Dr. Froines clearly states that PARTICU, rather, Particle Traps may remove many Particulates IN THE EXHAUST PIPE but, when the vapors actually come out, THEY CAN EVEN BE MORE TOXIC SINCE VAPORS QUICKLY BEGIN TO COOL INTO TOXIC ULTRA FINE PARTICULATE MATTER that is not trapped out, but rise and fall, off the street, say, until they cool into even larger particles that are relatively safer to humans than the ULTRAFINE ONES, that attack the Cells of the Heart, Lungs, Brain, and Circulatory System TO CAUSE, in some Degree, Greater Incidence of, not just Cancer, but Heart and Lung Disease, too, along with Breathing Disorders, like Asthma, etc to a greater extent than if the Diesel Particulates were not along such Corridors, say, as Harry Bridges Blvd.

Harry Bridges Blvd.

According to Dr. Ralph Appy, the TrePac E. I. R. discusses the aforesaid Blvd. and its Diesel Particulate Problem on just two pages of the THREE THOUSAND page e. i. r., Pages 3.2 dash 200 and 201, as read to me by Dr. Appy, as to Page 200 and that and 201 by Deputy City Attorney, Thomas Griego. Those pages suggest that most kids playing on the Buffer Field will not be much affected by increased Ultra Fine Diesel Particulates being spewed from Trucks and Trains, except those SENSITIVE TO SUCH PARTICULATES and they will be significantly impacted.

Those Two Pages fail to mention WHAT WILL THOSE ULTRA FINE PARTICULATES HAVE ON THE KIDS THAT RACE TO THE TOP OF THE BUFFER AND BREATHE IN THEM AT, perhaps, THEIR MOST TOXIC LEVELS, each time they play up there, as the Master plan encourages them to do by its Trails and footpaths?

Recommendation

The landscaped hillside should be removed from the masterplan until later.

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Public Comment on TraPac E. I. R.

Please refer to WWW . port of LA . Org, pages 3.2 dash 200 and 201 for the Reports Comments on the Vuffer Project, adjacent to Harry Bridges Blvd. that will now be addressed specifically.

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The Report admits that Ultra Fine Diesel Particulates can be a serious Health Problem, especially for Children with a predisposition towards Asthma and the like, but with a Wall or Hillside in place, adjacent to said Blvd., almost all Children playing on the ground behind this barrier should be safe enough.

What this Page does not deal with is the Children getting up on top of that Masterplanned Hillside, via built in Paths and Trails, TO PLAY AND ROLL AROUND ON ITS TOP, while INADVERTANTLY BREATHING IN THOSE ULTRA FINE DIESEL PARTICULATES, while panting and gulping for air, just after reaching the hill top by running and the like, say.

The serious question that needs to be addressed is, GIVEN THE MERE FIFTEEN METER SETBACK OF SAID HILLTOP OFF OF HARRY BRIDGES, some Eighteen Feet below that hilltop, ARE THE KIDS SAFE FROM THOSE PARTICULATES THAT ARE THE MOST TOXIC?

Dr. John Froines of the UCLA C. O. E. H. should be consulted on this, specifically, and someone prepared to answer this question should be present for Q. and A. from the Port Commission when it comes up for their Consideration.

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On 2 August, of last year, Dr. John Froines appeared before the Port Commission in San Pedro. He gave a three quarters of an hour Presentation with, even, Q. and A. with the Port Commissioners, especially with President Freeman and Ms. Janet Gunther. I have listened to said DVD of that Meeting, three times over the past ten months, my source for this Comment for Page 201.

As per that Recording of Dr. Froines Conversation and Presentation of last 2 August, HE AND PRESIDENT FREEMAN AGREED THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING as a clean diesel fuel and anyone saying so isbe Fradulent. They both Agreed, too, that Particle Traps in Exhuast Systems of, say, Port Diesel Powered Trucks, ARE NOT EFFECTIVE because, though some particles are removed, THE DIESEL FUMESTHAT LEAVE THE #XHAUST POPE STILL, ironically, begin toe cool AND FORM ULTRRAFINE DIESEL PRTICULATES that are moreTocic than the particles r@moved by said internal traps. What to do?

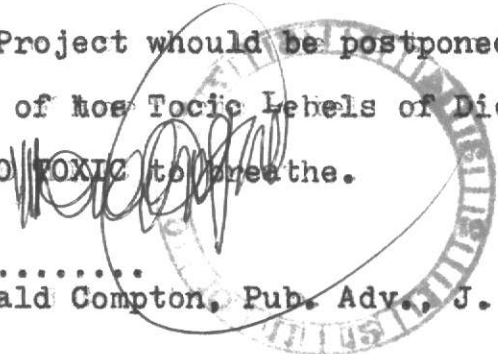
Both agreed that LPG might be useful, but the Oil Lubricants used to keep the LPG System running well, themselves give off unacceptable levels of Carbron Particulates, it seems. They Agreed that all Electric might work, but that HYDROGEN FUELS MIGHT BE THEULTIMATE ANSWER, but that would be years, eben, Decades Away from now.

Dr. Ralph Appy has suggested to me that IT WILL TAKE FROM TEN TO FIFTEEN YEARS FOR HARRY BRIDGES TOBE CLEANED UP of those Toxic Particulates, so WHY DOES PAGE 201 SAY THAT WITHIN FIVE YEARS, UP TO EIGHTY PERCENT OF THE PARTIULATE PROBLEM WILL OCCUR BECAUSE THE DOESEL TRUCK ENGINES WILL BE CONVERTED? To what? As President Freeman andDr. Froines said, some ten months ago, THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A CLEAN DIESEL FUEL AND PARTICLE TRAPS DO NOT WORK EFFECTIVELY AT ALL on what leaves the Exhaust Pope as Diesle Vapors.

Conclusions

The Landscap<sup>3d</sup> Hillside of theBuffer Project whould be postponed for at least Ten to fifteen years, afterremoval of Noe Tocic Levels of Diesel Particulates., especially if THE HILLTOP IS TOO TOXIC to breathe.

Dated: 17 July, 2007 Vy: ..... Donald Compton, Pub. Adv., J. D.





Public Comment on TraPac E. I. R. for 31 July, 2007

From the Standpoint of this Independent Public Advocate, the headlong rush by the Port of Los Angeles Authorities TO PUT A PUBLIC PARK that is deliberately designed to Attract Children and the Elderly TO THE GRITTY, NOISY, AND POLLUTED INDUSTRIAL ZONE OF WILMINGTON IS SHOCKING, despite the warnings from Medical Experts and Educators, like myself, to the contrary.

The Ports own Environmental Expert, Dr. Ralph Appy has told me that HARRY BRIDGES BLVD. WILL NOT BE FREE OF HARMFUL DIESEL PARTICULATES FOR, at least, TEN TO FIFTEEN YEARS, from now; yet, the Port Commission is urging Fast Forward for the Implementation of the Sasaki and Associates MASTERPLAN that has already won two Design Awards for its beauty that seems the most important thing to so many WILMINGTON RESIDENTS WHO HAVE NO CLUE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH HAZZARD POSED BY THIS PLAN, especially the Buffer Area and its Landscaped Hillside designed to attract those kids and Seniors to its TOPSIDE, some eighteen feet above Harry Bridges Blvd., below, setback just fifteen meters or forty five feet, or so, from its curbside, not the recommended SEVENTY FIVE METERS, or more, from the preeminent Expert of the Dangers of Diesel Particulates, Dr. John Froines.

Upon Invitation from the Port Commissions General Manager, Dr. Geraldine Knatz, Dr. Froines appeared before the Port Commission on 2 August, 2006 for about an hour of Presentation and follow up Q. and A. THIS FINE PRESENTATION IS AVAILABLE FROM BRIAN MONTGOMERY OF THE PORTS GRAPHIC SECTION ON DVD OR MP3.

If you listen to said Recording, you will hear Dr. John Froines and Port Commission President, David Freeman, FREELY ADMIT THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A CLEAN DIESEL FUEL and that ANYONE WHO SAYS THERE IS IS A FRAUD... Dr. Froines emphasized the Irony that despite some harmful Diesel Particulates being removed by Particle Traps inside the Exhaust System, THE DIESEL VAPORS FROM THE EXHAUST PIPE, upon leaving same, BEGIN TO COOL AND FORM INTO ULTRA FINE DIESEL PARTICULATES THAT ARE MORE DANGEROUS TO LUNG, HEART, AND BRAIN.



Brain Tissue Cells than what was Trappee Out of the Exha7st System.

On the Port Website at WWW . PORT OF LA . ORG can be found the THREE THOUSAND PAGES, or so, TRAPAC E. I. R. that was Published earlier this month. Let me address two of those Pages that arrefound at ens end, in Chapter 3.2 a Pages 200 and 201, since they involve what I am most concerned about with regard to School Children being just across the street at Hawaiian Ave. Elementary School that would be the most likely to play regularly on the Buffers Landsdaped Hillside, if you will.

Chapter 3.2, Page 200

Chris Brown of the Port Engineering Dept has repatedly told the WNC and the PCAC Waterfront Subcommittee that THE LANDSCAPED HILL SIDE IS DESIGNED TO ATTRACT KIDS AND THE ELDERLY TO ITS TOP TO VIEW THE WATERFRONT AND HAVE SOME FUN, thereupon. What he has failed to address, along with Dr. Ralph Appy, himself, IS WHAT EFFECT WILL THOSE ULTRA FINE DIESEL PARTICULATES HAVE ON THOSE panting kids rolling around on said topside, some Eighteen Feet above said Harry Bridges Blvd., and just forty five feet set back therefrom? THIS MUST BE ADDRESSED AND DR. FROINES SHULD BE SUMMONED BACK TO THE PORT COMMISSION TO GIVE HIS BVIENCE ON THIS VITAL HEALTH ISSUE before any Contract is let to build this Landscaped Hillside at that fifteen meter setback location, obviously.

Chapter 3.2, Page 201

As indicated earlier from the DVD made of Dr. Froines 2 August, 06, eention earlier, THERE ISNO CLEAN BURNING DIESEL FUEL OF ANY KIND; thiscoupled with Dr. Appys assertion that it will take Ten to Fifteen Years to clean this up; THIS PAGE SAYS THAT SOME EIGHTY PERCENT OF SAID DIESEL PARTICULATES SHOULD BE REMOVED WITHIN FIVE YEARS BY DIESEL ENGINE MODIIVATION; an apparent Complete Mis representation, to say the least. DO NOT PUT IN THE LANDSCAPED HILLSIDE UNTIL THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT. CLEARS THAT AREA OF THE PROBABLE Dnger that is going to be worse before it gets better; accoring to Dr. Ralph Appy and Staff.



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