

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I have previously written about my personal experiences as a resident of L.A. District 5 living within 1 block of the West Pico Drilling Site. Now, I'm contacting you to support the NASE appeal of the ruling on the West Pico Drilling Site. In short, I'd like to see: - an environmental review of the drilling site, - the City follow its own laws on the regulation of oil drilling, the State's CEQA law, and the City's own CEQA guidelines, which prohibit Categorical Exemption from Environmental Review on drilling or redrilling or conversion of oil wells. In addition, the City of Los Angeles MUST reconsider all unapproved and illegal projects at the West Pico Drill Site now in this review, especially the 24 major illegal oil well projects executed without ZA review since 2000. Finally, I support review of ALL petrochemical drilling within Los Angeles, as there are many other site potentially causing harm in neighborhoods all over our beautiful city. No one will take seriously the City's claims that it wishes to phase out oil drilling and production if it continues to allow illegal oil well drilling and rampant non-compliance with City laws and CEQA at petrochemical drilling sites. Who knows what dangers petrochemical drilling is doing to Angelenos in neighborhoods like ours? I don't know, and the City certainly doesn't know...and we won't know unless we do the necessary environmental reviews. I can see the West Pico Drilling Site from my bedroom window and have been raising my family here since moving in more than 20 years ago. What's going to happen if it turns out that my children and my neighbors' children--and all the adults besides--were being poisoned because the City did not do it's legally required due diligence here? Rebecca Klempner