

California Board of Environmental Safety

BES/DTSC Joint Hazardous Waste Management Plan Virtual Webinar via Zoom

Public Comment Summary

October 29, 2025

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#	Name	Public Comment	Affiliation
1.	Vanessa Vasquez	Inquired about environmental justice being removed from the Plan.	Communities for a Better Environment
2.	Ivana Castellanos	Expressed disappointment with various changes in the Plan that they consider to be cosmetic.	Physicians For Social Responsibility Los Angeles
3.	Cynthia Babich	Voiced their disapproval of the Plan in its current iteration.	Del Amo Action Committee
4.	Caroline Farrell	Asked if there a timeline for implementing recommendations 2.3-2.5.	ELJC
5.	Angela Johnson Meszaros	Spoke about their various concerns with the Plan.	Earthjustice
6.	Jeni Knack	Asked that the Board reject the Plan, and spoke about their concerns with it.	Parents Against Santa Susana Field Lab
7.	Jaime Sanchez	Expressed their opposition to the Plan, and requested that the Board reject it and require DTSC to provide more exact language.	Neighbors Against Phibro-Tech
8.	Jonathan Lisicki	Asked that DTSC have some sort of pathway for entrepreneurs for R&D permits to develop technologies for treating hazardous wastes.	Member of the Public
9.	Rebecca Overmyer-Velazquez	Spoke about the limitations of the Plan and concerns with the lithium-ion battery waste stream.	Clean Air Coalition, North Whittier and Avocado Heights
10.	Duncan McKee	Urged the Board to reject the Plan.	Member of the Public

11.	Dawn Koepke	Spoke of their support for various changes that have been made to the Plan, expressed the need for further conversation around funding and source reduction.	CCEEB
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