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Subject: GSEJA Public Comment: GTS Cold Storage Project Recirculated Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH 2023080221), Town of Apple Valley
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Attachments: [GSEJA Comments on GTS Cold Storage Project MND Supp Letter FINAL 20260619.pdf](#)
[Comments on GTS Cold Storage Project MND 20260223.pdf](#)
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To whom it may concern:

Attached and below are public comments on behalf of Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance. These comments are submitted to the Town of Apple Valley Planning Director to be included in the record for the GTS Cold Storage Project Recirculated MND, as per the notice received on 6/3/2026 (attached).

For clarification purposes, only the **blue italicized portion of the body of this email is the public comment** to be added into the record along with TWO attachments.

Public Comment:

Hello, my name is Steven Piepkorn and I'm with the Golden State Environmental Justice Alliance. We submitted a comment letter regarding the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the GTS Cold Storage Project. Our letter identified several deficiencies with the MND.

During these turbulent times, we as citizens expect and deserve our local government's elected and appointed officials to protect us from environmental and social injustice, to aid in the preservation and rehabilitation of the environment in which we all share, and to ensure accountability and responsibility regarding the environmental decisions they make.

We stand by our comment letter and believe the MND is flawed, and an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) must be drafted and circulated for public review.

In closing, we call on the Planning Director to be a leader on these issues and be the first line of defense for our citizenry and environment. Only by working together can we continue to be excellent stewards of our environment, outstanding stewards to our citizens and each other.

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Thank you.

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