



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Date: November 5, 2019

Subject: Refer to the Industrial Safety Ordinance Ad Hoc Committee the issue of whether to extend The Industrial Safety Ordinance to Storage Tank Facilities

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

Refer to the Industrial Safety Ordinance Ad Hoc Committee of Supervisors John Gioia and Federal Glover the issue of existing regulatory oversight over storage tank farms and whether provisions of the Industrial Safety Ordinance should be extended to storage tank farms.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

**BACKGROUND:**

On October 15, 2019, an explosion and fire occurred at the NuStar Energy facility in the Selby/Crockett area. Two storage tanks containing ethanol burned along with jet fuel and diesel in adjacent pipelines. There are extensive procedures in place under the County's Industrial Safety Ordinance to improve safety and minimize risk at the four oil refineries and two chemical plants in Contra Costa County. According to permit records of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, there are 16 storage tank facilities in Contra Costa County and these facilities are not currently covered by the Industrial Safety Ordinance. The committee will explore whether extending the Industrial Safety Ordinance to these facilities

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/05/2019** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: November 5, 2019

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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will improve safety and reduce risk of industrial accidents at these facilities.