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"Three compelling reasons to oppose the construction in our town:

1. Environmental Impact: The proposed plant poses a serious threat to our precious wildlife, as asphalt leeching and pollution runoff WOULD harm the wetlands and Hoback River irreversibly. Once the asphalt contaminates the soil, it's virtually impossible to remediate, endangering our ecosystem.

2. Air Quality Concerns: The emissions from asphalt production would lead to horrible odors and potential health risks, worsened by the trapping of vapors in the valley inversion layers. Rather than enduring this, those who enter our town deserve to enjoy the inviting aromas of the Elkhorn's Chicken Piccata and the intoxicating smell of Alix Crittendon's beautiful florals.

3. Zoning Incompatibility: Industrial operations belong in designated industrial areas, not within agricultural zones like the Dell Creek area. Building such a facility here would introduce various pollutants and inconveniences, including the influx of large trucks leaking oil, fuel, and lubricants into our small town."

Will Sublette County allow us to be the "dumping ground" for projects that Teton County has rejected in order to protect their community while endangering ours? My guess is no. The fine men and women making these decisions will not let that happen.