

## PR 2306 – Freight Rail Yards

### Comment Letter from Yassi Kavezade (Sierra Club)

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Quick question on labor

Hi all,

Speaking very roughly here.. As tech for ZE cargo handling increases and brings on the possible threat of automation and displacement for workers, I am wondering how we can partner with unions operating at Railyards and ports to embed worker training language or some kind of job retention protection language to encourage operators to select technology that is safe for workers, fund trainings, and minimizes jobs displacement, etc. I'm sure there ideas out there from union leaders themselves.

Could this be something required in reporting data they turn into you? I know it's outside jurisdiction already but would there be any creative place to see these rules as way to grow jobs.

Thanks for entertaining this random question. Also really excited to get these rules done and continue this legacy at the air district.

Thumbing on phone please excuse typos