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For public comment:

As a journalist for local newspapers and the Oil and Gas Journal, I covered the petroleum industry for 40 years in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties and have seen how some oil companies really push the regulations their way. Lack of good oversight and up-to-date policies are rife throughout both counties.

That's why taxpayers get stuck picking up the tab for decommissioning, out-of-date policies for old wells that leak long after they are spent, accidental spills and so much more.

Ventura County has seen that happen more than once.

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