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**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 6:53:53 AM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Amend the Zoning Ordinance  
**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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**From:** Carol Kline <carolrkline@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 6:49 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Amend the Zoning Ordinance

Please vote yes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.

Carol Kline

#1 *New York Times* bestselling co-author of *Happy for No Reason, Love for No Reason*, five books in the *Chicken Soup for the Soul* series and *Conscious Luck: Eight Secrets to Intentionally Change Your Fortune*

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**From:** Amy Jurgenson <amymoore9@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:59 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Amend Zoning Ordinance

Dear Ventura County Planning Commission,

I am writing to ask that you vote yes to an amendment to the zoning ordinance that will ensure new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review, public notice, and hearings. Oil companies should not be permitted to drill an unlimited number of wells, for an unlimited amount of time, without an evaluation of how their actions will affect the lives, health, and environment of people living in Ventura County.

My family lives in Ventura County. I have young children. We have a right to be healthy and safe in our community. Holding all new wells in Ventura County to modern standards will serve to protect public health as well as our environment.

Please do right by your constituents and neighbors. Vote yes to the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

Sincerely,

Amy Jurgenson

**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:34:33 AM  
**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:04:41 AM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Antiquated oil & gas permits  
**Response requested:** No  
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**From:** Morgan Jurgenson <morganjurgenson@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 8:59 AM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Antiquated oil & gas permits

Dear Ventura County Planning Commission,

I am writing to ask that you vote yes to an amendment to the zoning ordinance that will ensure new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review, public notice, and hearings. Oil companies should not be permitted to drill an unlimited number of wells, for an unlimited amount of time, without an evaluation of how their actions will affect the lives, health, and environment of people living in Ventura County, such as my family, my friends, and my children.

We have a right to be healthy and safe in our community. Holding all new wells in Ventura County to modern standards will serve to protect public health as well as our environment.

Please do right by your constituents and neighbors. Vote yes to the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

Morgan Jurgenson

Camarillo, CA

**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:35:26 AM  
**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 6:57:13 AM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Antiquated permits for oil and gas  
**Response requested:** No  
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**From:** susan chapin <oakiebailey@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 7:49 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Antiquated permits for oil and gas

Dear Planning Commission.

I grew up in Oxnard during the 1950's. There was no concern at that time for the environment and the negative consequences of unregulated drilling.

We have surely advanced to the point where we understand that in order to have protections from environmental pollution, the antiquated permits for oil and gas must be regulated.

Oil companies should not be allowed to drill an unlimited number of wells, for an unlimited amount of time, and without any evaluation of impacts to public health and the environment.

Thank you,

Susan Chapin

**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:36:12 AM  
**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 6:45:02 AM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Antiquated Permits  
**Response requested:** No  
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**From:** Lee Harrison <lee\_c\_harrison@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 4:48 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Antiquated Permits

Dear Ms. Batinica and the Planning Commission:

PLEASE! Vote yes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.

Do this for our health, for our environment, for our future!

Thank you,

~Lee

Lee C. Harrison

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**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:40:04 AM  
**From:** Batinica, Meighan  
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**To:** Fogg, Mindy  
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**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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-----Original Message-----

From: nicole facciuto <nicole@nicolefacciuto.com>  
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 5:54 PM  
To: Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
Cc: Eric Hargrove <ericquinnhargrove@gmail.com>  
Subject: Please vote yes.

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To whom it may concern,

As Fillmore residents, we support amending the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.

Please vote yes to amend the Zoning Ordinance.

Thank you for your time and listening.

Cheers,  
Nicole & Eric Hargrove

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Nicole Facciuto, LEED AP

nicole.facciuto.design

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**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
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**Response requested:** No  
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**From:** Karen Socher <socherlaw@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 8:46 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Re July 30, 2020 Meeting - new wells

**I live in Ventura and I urge you to vote yes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.**

**Karen S. Socher**

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**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent: 75 years is long enough!  
**Response requested:** No  
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**From:** Laura Gulovsen <eandl157@twc.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 5:52 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent: 75 years is long enough!

This email is for The Ventura Co Planning Commission. Please take heed and correct this long overdue process-of course we need to look at including these old wells in and updated environmental report. Times are changing and we can no longer afford these sources of pollution and a path to continue with bad past practices.

Thank you for sharing my thoughts with all the members of the board.

Laura Gulovsen

Citizen of Ventura since 1949

**From:** CFROG [<mailto:ed@cfrog.org>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 4:18 PM  
**To:** Laura Gulovsen  
**Subject:** Urgent: 75 years is long enough!

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**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
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**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Vote YES to Amend the Zoning Ordinance  
**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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**From:** Sharon Moore <[smores1950@gmail.com](mailto:smores1950@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 7:05 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <[Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org](mailto:Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org)>  
**Subject:** Vote YES to Amend the Zoning Ordinance

Planning Commission:

I am writing to implore you to vote YES to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings!

As a citizen of Ventura County since 1986, a retired teacher, and a mother/grandmother of Ventura County Citizens, please vote YES for our future!!!

Sharon Moore

Camarillo, CA 93012

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**From:** [Mike Dawson](#)

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 5:34:38 PM

**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)

**Cc:** [PC Hearing Comments](#)

**Subject:** Save our Oil & Gas jobs!

**Importance:** Normal

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**Dear Planning Commissioners,**

I am writing to you to urge you to **reject the effort to strip local** oil and gas operators of their Conditional Use Permits.

The move to require discretionary review of legacy CUP's is nothing but a power grab by some members of the Board of Supervisors and part of a concerted effort to shut down all oil and gas operations in Ventura County.

Local oil and gas producers operate under some of the most stringent environmental standards in the world. Even legacy permits are subject to regulation by the 25 state and federal regulatory agencies that oversee local energy production.

Subjecting CUP's to an additional review and approval by the Board of Supervisors adds unnecessary red tape that ultimately hurts our local workforce. Legal precedent has also shown it is unlawful and opens the County to expensive lawsuits.

The industry, its thousands of workers and contractors, and Ventura County residents will suffer when local production slows down because CUP's are unnecessarily held up by the Board of Supervisors.

Please, do the right thing and reject this radical policy change

***Mike Dawson***

**Big Red Crane Company, Inc.**

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**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 10:59:11 AM  
**From:** Luke, Bonnie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 10:56:43 AM  
**To:** Luke, Bonnie  
**Subject:** FW: Ventura County Planning Commission  
**Response requested:** No  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Rick White <rwhiteassociates1@gmail.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:58 AM  
To: Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
Cc: Christy Weir <christy@christyweir.com>; Eliane White <elianewhite710@gmail.com>  
Subject: Ventura County Planning Commission

Dear Ventura County Planning Commission, I am so incensed to learn that the Zoning Ordinance for new oil wells does NOT include environmental reviews or notices for public hearings or end dates for permits. Please enact these conditions on all new wells and existing well permits going forward in the Entire County of Ventura.  
If we weren't focused on statue removals we would be better stewards of what can currently be harming our air, water, and landscape.  
Please tell me when the next hearing is so that I may become involved.

Rick White  
Larrabure framing  
Rick@larrabureframing.com  
661 619-6386

**Luke, Bonnie**

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**From:** Luke, Bonnie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 10:54 AM  
**To:** Luke, Bonnie  
**Subject:** FW: Rules for oil and gas wells

**From:** jon schwalbach <[jonschwalbach@yahoo.com](mailto:jonschwalbach@yahoo.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 10:18 AM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <[Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org](mailto:Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org)>  
**Subject:** Rules for oil and gas wells

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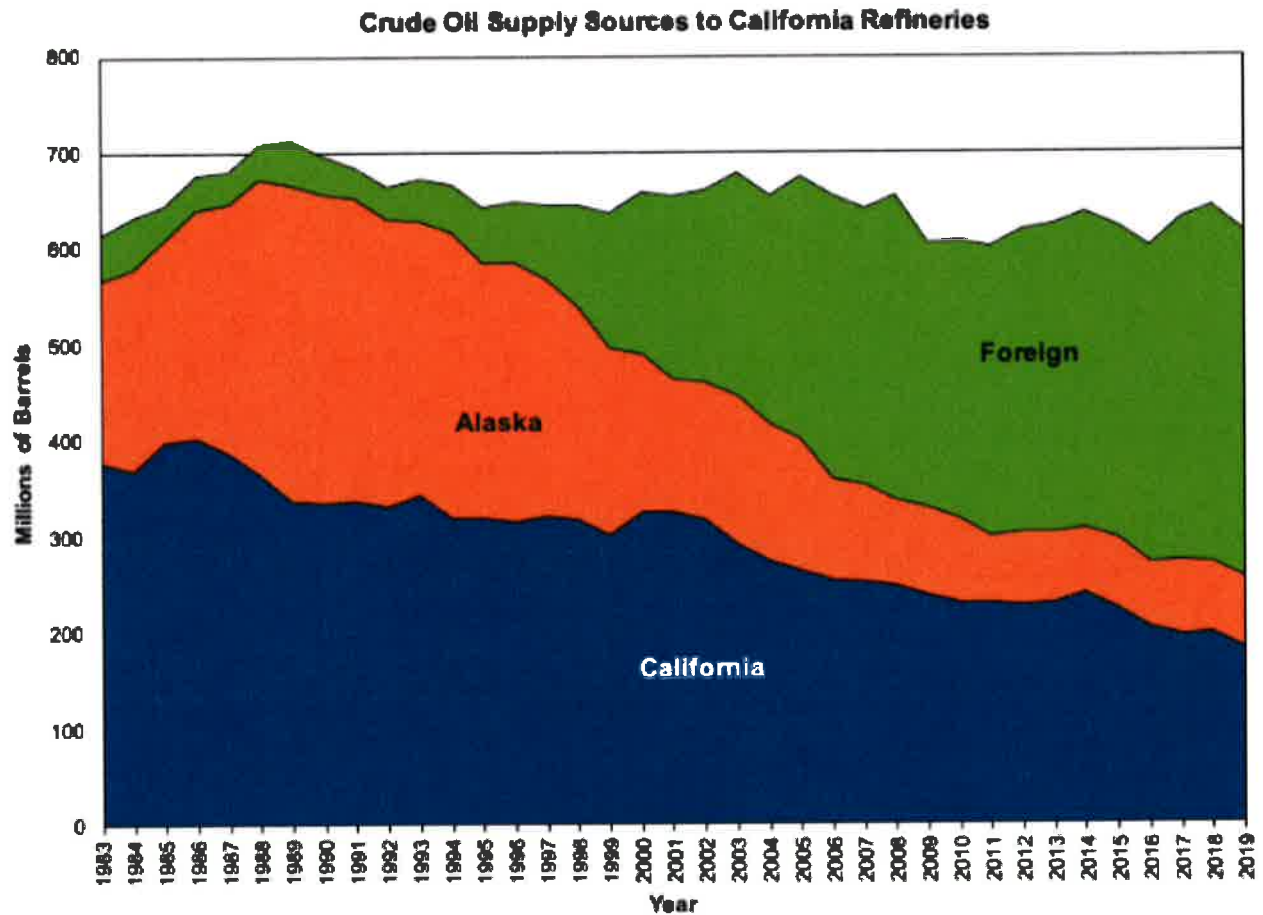
Chair White and Honorable Planning Commissioners,

I am deeply concerned by efforts to require discretionary review of legacy Conditional Use Permits for oil and gas operations in Ventura County.

As noted in other letters, this proposal is part of a larger orchestrated effort to shut down Ventura County's oil and gas industry. The local industry supports more than 2,000 high paying jobs for working families. Our industry also makes up a significant part of our local tax base, providing \$56 million in tax revenues that support vital services like education, social services, and public safety. Although a couple of the larger fields in the county are owned by relatively large companies (Aera, CRC), many other smaller fields are owned by struggling small companies that will endure particular hardship.

Additionally, each barrel of oil not produced locally is imported to the state, primarily from foreign sources. Many of these governments are not our friends, and they often have much less stringent controls on production than are applied in California. We live in a connected world, their pollution and excess greenhouse gasses impact us. Each imported barrel also has associated with it a transportation cost, increasing its carbon footprint. Locally produced oil, under existing California regulation, is in fact the greener path.

# Oil Supply Sources To California Refineries



Year	California**	%	Alaska	%	Foreign	%	Total
2019	183,158	29.7%	73,252	11.9%	359,712	58.4%	616,122

<https://www.energy.ca.gov/data-reports/energy-almanac/californias-petroleum-market/oil-supply-sources-california-refineries>

During the General Plan Update Hearing, you passed many restrictions on oil and gas production on the grounds that the policies only applied to new wells, but this latest proposal would impact existing operations as well. This would bring further harm to the local energy industry, jeopardizing critical resources and funding the County needs to recover from the global pandemic. Not only will our industry and its workers suffer further hardship if you go through with this proposal, but the county and state will end up relying more heavily on imported oil and experience reduced revenues in a time of urgent need. Please educate yourself on the full impact of the proposed policy. I urge you to vote "no".

Sincerely,

Jon R. Schwalbach, Ph.D.  
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**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
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**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Ventura county Planning Commission  
**Response requested:** No  
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**From:** Kathy Nolan <kn@studio-landscape.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 4:50 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Ventura county Planning Commission

**Dear Ventura County Planning Commissioners,**

**Please vote yes this Thursday July 30, 2020 to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.**

Sincerely

Kathleen Nolan

Ventura County Resident

340 Avenida de la Vereda

Ojai, CA 93023



**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:13:14 AM  
**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 7:53:48 AM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: zoning ordinance  
**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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-----Original Message-----

From: Millie Seidman <mumpndayee@gmail.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 7:41 AM  
To: Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
Subject: zoning ordinance

When the time comes to vote on the zoning ordinance for oil wells in Ventura county, I encourage a yes vote.  
New wells need to be subject to environmental review and public notice and hearing.

Thank you,  
Mildred Seidman  
20210 Village 20  
Camarillo

**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:18:27 AM  
**From:** Luke, Bonnie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:17:57 AM  
**To:** Luke, Bonnie  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent - July 30th Planning Commission hearings  
**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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**From:** Martinez, Brenda R <[Brenda.Martinez@crc.com](mailto:Brenda.Martinez@crc.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 4:39 PM  
**To:** Long, Kelly  
**Subject:** Urgent - July 30th Planning Commission hearings

Supervisor Long,

*My name is Brenda Martinez. I'm a County resident, I live in Fillmore and I work for California Resources Corporation where we produce ample, affordable and reliable energy for Californians. On July 30, the Planning Commission is considering an ordinance to eliminate vested permits at jobsites where my company, our union partners and I work every day. Requiring us to restart the permit process is unfair and unnecessary. The County and dozens of regulatory agencies have already approved our operations. This measure would create a huge cost, delay and burden that prevents me and my co-workers from doing our jobs. This is a terrible thing to do in the middle of a pandemic when our County needs more jobs and investments. Please vote no on reopening County permits.*

*Don't destroy an industry that provides good paying jobs like mine and solid revenue to local governments for public safety, education, and social programs. My family and I are counting on you to vote No on reopening local permits. Thank you.*

Regards,

**BRENDA MARTINEZ**  
Operations Tech



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**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 6:48:47 AM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Zoning Ordinance Request -- Oil Permits  
**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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**From:** James Young <mlperspectives@gmx.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 4:59 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Zoning Ordinance Request -- Oil Permits

I know that the following statement is copied from elsewhere but it REALLY says what I want.

All new wells in Ventura County should abide by the same modern standards. Oil companies should not be allowed to drill an unlimited number of wells, for an unlimited amount of time, and without any evaluation of impacts to public health and the environment.

PLEASE vote YES to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.

Jimmy Young  
Local home owner  
Local business owner  
805-570-9002

**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:24:39 AM  
**From:** [Luke, Bonnie](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:24:18 AM  
**To:** [Luke, Bonnie](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Protect our water! Extend the moratorium!  
**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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**From:** Serene Gorss <[Sereneagorss@gmail.com](mailto:Sereneagorss@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** July 9, 2020 at 9:35:03 PM PDT  
**To:** "Long, Kelly" <[kelly.long@ventura.org](mailto:kelly.long@ventura.org)>  
**Subject:** Protect our water! Extend the moratorium!

Dear Ms. Long,

THANK YOU for protecting our water by putting an emergency moratorium in place earlier this year to stop new drilling near drinkable water and to examine antiquated drilling permits.

I urge you to have the courage to vote YES to extend the moratorium when it comes back to the Board.

We haven't heard anything new from the U.S. Geological Survey regarding their report from earlier this year that found petroleum-related gases near flammable levels in some of Ventura County's water wells.

The communities closest to the oil wells potentially causing the pollution already endure some of the highest rates of pollution in all of California, according to the California EPA. We demand clean water and environmental justice for our communities!

We urge you to please vote YES to extend the emergency moratorium on certain oil wells near drinking water for at least a year.

Sincerely,

Serene Gorss  
11428 plum street  
Ventura CA, 93004-1398

**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:26:58 AM  
**From:** [Steve Richardson](#)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 4:50:00 PM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Cc:** [PC Hearing Comments](#); [ClerkoftheBoard](#), [ClerkoftheBoard](#)  
**Subject:** Planning Commission - Item 7 CASE NUMBER PL20-0052  
**Importance:** Normal

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Dear Planning Commissioners, I am writing to you to urge you to reject the effort to strip local oil and gas operators of their Conditional Use Permits.

The move to require discretionary review of legacy CUP's is nothing but a power grab by some members of the Board of Supervisors and part of a concerted effort to shut down all oil and gas operations in Ventura County. Local oil and gas producers operate under some of the most stringent environmental standards in the world. Even legacy permits are subject to regulation by the 25 state and federal regulatory agencies that oversee local energy production. Subjecting CUP's to an additional review and approval by the Board of Supervisors adds unnecessary red tape that ultimately hurts our local workforce. Legal precedent has also shown it is unlawful and opens the County to expensive lawsuits.

The industry, its thousands of workers and contractors, and Ventura County residents will suffer when local production slows down because CUP's are unnecessarily held up by the Board of Supervisors. Please, do the right thing and reject this radical policy change.

Steve Richardson  
Ventura, CA 93004

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**Archived:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:28:10 AM  
**From:** [Orrantia O \(Orlando Orrantia\) at Aera](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:04:47 AM  
**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
**Cc:** [PC Hearing Comments; ClerkoftheBoard, ClerkoftheBoard; Newell ML \(Michele\) at Aera](#)  
**Subject:** Please Read Out Loud at Planning Commission - Item 7 CASE NUMBER PL20-0052  
**Importance:** Normal

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Mr. Phil White, Chair  
Ms. Nora Aidukas  
Mr. W. Earl McPhail  
Mr. Jim King  
Mr. Richard Rodriguez  
Ventura County Planning Commission  
Hall of Administration  
Resource Management Agency/Planning Division  
Attn: Meighan Batinica  
[800 S. Victoria Ave., L#1740](#)  
[Ventura, CA 93009-1740](#)

Re: - Item 7 CASE NUMBER PL20-0052

Commissioners,

As a local oil and natural gas company employee, I am writing you to express my opposition and deep concern on changing the approval process for legacy permits from ministerial review to discretionary approval by the Board. This is not additional oversight for this industry, we are already regulated by more than 25 agencies in the State of California. This is an effort to systematically shut down our industry in Ventura County.

This new policy will not only impact my family, but also the lives of more than 2,000 fellow oil and natural gas employees here in Ventura County. By agreeing to the suggested changes to the ordinance, over time you will be taking away high paying jobs that put food on the table and a roof overhead for our families.

In this orchestrated effort to shut down all oil and gas operations in Ventura County, you will be devastating our diverse workforce that includes veterans, single mothers, second chancers and Union members. You will also be taking away the \$56 million in tax revenues that support vital services like education, social services and public safety during a time when the County already recognizes a multi-million dollar shortfall due to COVID-19.

At a time when unemployment is at 13.5% and we have more than 100,000 individuals who have filed for unemployment insurance or pandemic assistance in the County, your focus should not be on efforts that will dramatically increase these statistics and instead, focus on the economic recovery of Ventura County.

With that, I am asking you to please prioritize jobs and protect essential revenue generating industries, like oil and gas production.

Sincerely,

Orlando Orrantia  
AERA CLAM Team Operations  
OOrrantia@aeraenergy.com  
805 861-9136

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I am writing to you to urge you to reject the effort to strip local oil and gas operators of their Conditional Use Permits.

The move to require discretionary review of legacy CUP's is nothing but a power grab by some members of the Board of Supervisors and part of a concerted effort to shut down all oil and gas operations in Ventura County.

Local oil and gas producers operate under some of the most stringent environmental standards in the world. Even legacy permits are subject to regulation by the 25 state and federal regulatory agencies that oversee local energy production.

Subjecting CUP's to an additional review and approval by the Board of Supervisors adds unnecessary red tape that ultimately hurts our local workforce. Legal precedent has also shown it is unlawful and opens the County to expensive lawsuits.

The industry, its thousands of workers and contractors, and Ventura County residents will suffer when local production slows down because CUP's are unnecessarily held up by the Board of Supervisors.

Please, do the right thing and reject this radical policy change.

Valerie Estvan  
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**To:** Luke, Bonnie  
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***Don't destroy an industry that provides good paying jobs like mine and solid revenue to local governments for public safety, education, and social programs. As a single mother, myself and my children are counting on you to vote No on reopening local permits. Thank you.***

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**Response requested:** No  
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**From:** Gloria Gerace <gloriagerace@me.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:48 AM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** PLEASE vote YES to Amend the Zoning Ordinance

Please vote yes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice hearings.

Let's make Ventura go safely into the FUTURE!

Gloria Gerace  
11531 Sulphur Mountain Road  
Ojai, CA 93023



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**From:** Fonzo, Amy L

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 10:26:30 AM

**To:** Fogg, Mindy; philbranco@gmail.com; sakudia@gmail.com; McPhail, Earl; King, Jim; commishrod@aol.com

**Cc:** PC Hearing Comments; ClerkoftheBoard, ClerkoftheBoard

**Subject:** Please Read Out Loud at Planning Commission - Item 7 CASE NUMBER PL20-0052

**Importance:** High

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Honorable Planning Commissioners,

The move to require discretionary review of legacy (time invested) Conditional Use Permits is an intentional strategy to undermine the regulatory structure of over 25 agencies at the state and local level of government and clear the way for Board members to pick and choose projects based on personal and political preferences of what is supposed to be a non-partisan position. Subjecting CUPs to additional Ventura County review and approval adds unnecessary time and wasteful taxpayer dollars to all parties involved and infringes on vested rights which has proved to be unlawful in different areas of our state. If approved, this "taking" will position the County in a vulnerable state of negative consequences by attempting to override CalGEM's authority, eliminate subsidized income of royalty owners (who are mostly seniors) and destroy an industry and the jobs associated with it all within the period of a global pandemic.

I strongly urge the Planning Commission to oppose this ordinance change and work with the oil and gas industry in a collaborative manner to provide sensible solutions for all.

**Amy Fonzo**  
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**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#)  
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**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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**From:** kay930 <kay56094@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 9:58 AM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Updated Antiquated Well Permits

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Dear Ventura Planning Commission,

I am writing to ask that the current well permits be UPDATED!. Please AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE that will correct the following areas

1. Inclusion of an END DATE to drilling
2. Full environmental &/or public review concerning the project
3. Limitation of fracking &/or use of cyclic steam use

Thank you for your time and attention to this issue to continuing improvement of our precious climate and use of natural resources in Ventura County CA

Sincerely,

Katharine S Simmons

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**From:** Dixon, Robert W <[Robert.Dixon@crc.com](mailto:Robert.Dixon@crc.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 2:23 PM  
**To:** McPhail, Earl <[Earl.McPhail@ventura.org](mailto:Earl.McPhail@ventura.org)>; King, Jim <[Jim.King@ventura.org](mailto:Jim.King@ventura.org)>; [commishrod@aol.com](mailto:commishrod@aol.com)  
**Subject:** A concerned citizen regarding the reopening of County Permits

***Hello Commissioners,***

***My name is Robert Dixon. I'm writing this as a Ventura County resident and as a California Resources Corporation employee. All of my assignments as a CRC employee have been in Ventura County. Working in oil and gas is my second career after spending 24 years in county and municipal law enforcement. I take great pride working in the oil and gas business. It's a way to show my two teenage boys what hard work is and that life is bigger than going to school remotely.***

***On [July 30,] you will be considering an ordinance to eliminate vested permits at jobsites where my company, our union partners and I work every day. Requiring us to restart the permit process is unfair and unnecessary. The County and dozens of regulatory agencies have already approved our operations. This measure would create a huge cost, delay and burden that prevents me and my co-workers from doing our jobs. This sounds like a bad idea in the middle of a pandemic when our County needs more jobs and investments. Please vote no on reopening County permits.***

***[Don't destroy an industry that provides good paying jobs like mine and solid revenue to local governments for public safety, education, and social programs.] My family and I are counting on you to vote No on reopening local permits.***

***Thank you,***

***The Dixon's***

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**From:** [RICHARD Masters](#)

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 10:05:11 AM

**To:** [Fogg, Mindy](#); [PC Hearing Comments](#); [ClerkoftheBoard](#), [ClerkoftheBoard](#)

**Subject:** Please read Out Loud at Planning Commission - Item 7 CASE Number PL20-0052

**Importance:** Normal

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Please PROTECT the jobs, families and incomes of those working in the oil and gas production industry in Ventura County.

Thousands of people are dependent on oil and gas production in this county and thousands of others are dependent on their continued business.

You must protect every job in this County as we work to get out of this economic tragedy.

The oil and gas industry is already highly regulated by 26 different governmental agencies.

This industry contributes \$56,000,000 to tax revenues that are vital to the County.

Please, please DO NOT approve Amendments to the Zoning Ordinances requiring additional ministerial review.

Respectfully,

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**Subject:** Fw: Letter on Item 7 CASE NUMBER PL20-0052  
**Importance:** Normal  
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Subject: Please Read Out Loud at Planning Commission - Item 7 CASE NUMBER PL20-0052

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Mr. Phil White, Chair

Ms. Nora Aidukas

Mr. W. Earl McPhail

Mr. Jim King

Mr. Richard Rodriguez

Ventura County Planning Commission

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Resource Management Agency/Planning Division

Attn: Meighan Batinica

800 S. Victoria Ave., L#1740

Ventura, CA 93009-1740

Re: - Item 7 CASE NUMBER PL20-0052

Commissioners,

As a local who is and has worked in the oil and gas industry in Ventura County for over 40 years, it appears the Board is attempting to shut down this industry in Ventura County. This would be shutting down one of the major economical driving forces for the County and causing harm to all the citizens working and not working in the industry as well as the tax income to the Cities and County of Ventura. This would have been clear if an economic impact study had been done.

The oil industry in California is one of the most regulated industries anywhere with over 25 agencies and does not need additional regulations. The regulations proposed appeared to have been written by individuals who have not worked in the industry but have only enforced part of the numerous regulations on the industry.

Not sure of the motive behind the push to shut down the oil and gas industry in Ventura. Besides providing much of the economic stability to the total citizens in the County, it also provides for the energy for the County. I have worked in the solar, wind, ocean and current generating of power and while they have their place and should be used where applicable, they each have their own set of economic and environmental problems. These can not replace the need for petroleum for the County.

The alternate is to import more oil from overseas and bring the oil by ships. Having worked around the world in the oil industry, I can testify that the production from any overseas import do not meet the environmental standards that are in California, plus the ships produce emissions reaching California and in the harbors. Thus these regulations serve no true purpose. These regulations will negatively affect the economics of the citizens of Ventura County and will not contribute to any perceived environmental agenda which has been voiced.

R. W. Bowman, PhD, ChE.

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**From:** Edward Demmond

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 12:06:09 PM

**To:** Fogg, Mindy

**Subject:** Item No. 7: CASE NUMBER PL20-0052: Protect Our Communities and Environment from Antiquated Oil Appro

**Importance:** Normal

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Dear Planning Commissioners,

I'm writing in support of efforts to amend the County's Zoning Ordinances so that your Planning Division and the public can have better oversight over new oil wells and facilities. In Ventura County, thousands of oil wells operate under antiquated permits and more continue to be drilled without an evaluation of environmental impacts. They require little consideration of nearby natural resources and communities. Antiquated permits present a grave risk to the environment, our climate, and public health.

All new wells in Ventura County should abide by the same modern standards. Oil companies should not be allowed to drill an unlimited number of wells, for an unlimited amount of time, and without any evaluation of impacts to public health and the environment.

Please vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance to ensure that new wells and facilities under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.

Regards,

Edward Demmond

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**From:** David and Rebecca Gilbertson

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 12:47:32 PM

**To:** Fogg, Mindy

**Subject:** No. 7: CASE NUMBER PL20-0052: Protection from Antiquated Oil Approval Standards

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Dear Mindy,

We find it reckless and irresponsible for Ventura County officials to administratively approve permits for oil and gas drilling without requiring an Environmental Impact Report and conducting a public hearing.

Thousands of new oil wells in Ventura County were drilled and continue to operate under “antiquated” permits issued up to 75 years ago. Most antiquated permits have never undergone environmental review and do not restrict dangerous techniques like fracking. Many of these wells are within and near the boundary of the Los Padres National Forest including the Sespe Oil Field—one of the most environmentally sensitive areas in Ventura County.

Not only are there numerous documented environmental concerns, our County and State should be concerned about the financial impacts of abandoned and poorly maintained wells.

California Resources Corp., leading oil and gas producer, files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. <https://www.desertsun.com/story/news/environment/2020/07/15/crc-californias-largest-oil-and-gas-company-files-bankruptcy-protection/5446329002/>

If Oil and Gas Companies go bankrupt and abandon their wells, who will be left with the cost of addressing well maintenance and sealing the wells?

All new wells in Ventura County should abide by the same modern standards. Oil companies should not be allowed to drill an unlimited number of wells, for an unlimited amount of time, and without any evaluation of impacts to public health and the environment.

We are writing in support of efforts to amend the County’s Zoning Ordinances so that your Planning Division and the public can have better oversight over new oil wells and facilities. In Ventura County, thousands of oil wells operate under antiquated permits and more

continue to be drilled without an evaluation of environmental impacts. They require little consideration of nearby natural resources and communities. Antiquated permits present a grave risk to the environment, our climate, and public health. We live in an earthquake vulnerable region, in addition to the growing demands for our vital clean water resource.

We support amending the Zoning Ordinance to ensure that new wells and facilities under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.

Ensuring our public safety and protecting clean water and air should be the paramount responsibility of our government.

Respectfully,

David & Rebecca Gilbertson  
Camarillo, CA

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**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)

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**Subject:** FW: Planning Commision Re Case number PI20 -0052 Thursday July 30, 2020

**Response requested:** No

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**From:** mikecmaps@aol.com <mikecmaps@aol.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 1:08 PM

**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>

**Subject:** Fwd: Planning Commision Re Case number PI20 -0052 Thursday July 30, 2020

[meighan.batinica@ventura.org](mailto:meighan.batinica@ventura.org)

July 29, 2020

Dear Ventura County Planning Commission.

Re Case number PI20 -0052 Thursday July 30, 2020.

Please support zoning amendments to protect public health and safety for antiquated oil and gas permits. These old permits presently require no modern day due diligence by the operators. Operators are guilty of numerous zoning permit violations. These may only be addressed by zoning amendments to protect public health and safety. Proposed zoning amendments are in no way harmful to the public. Proposed amendments support CEQA by encouraging public participation in the permitting process. And will also help reduce environmental damage at antiquated oil and gas sites. County permitting decisions will be more transparent by disclosing data and reasoning supporting permits.

Respectfully,

Michael Collie

Camarillo, Ca.

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**From:** [Batinica, Meighan](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 2:53:51 PM  
**To:** [Luke, Bonnie](#)  
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**Response requested:** No  
**Importance:** Normal

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**From:** Jessica (Branch) McCurdy <jessica.noelle.branch@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 2:19 PM  
**To:** Batinica, Meighan <Meighan.Batinica@ventura.org>  
**Subject:** Review/reorganize oil permits

Hello,

I would like to encourage the Ventura County Planning Commission to vote yes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure new oil wells that are operating under old permits with looser restrictions are able to be subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings. If laws and restrictions have changed, then all new and existing wells should follow the same strict guidelines to ensure public and environmental safety.

Thank you,

Jessica McCurdy  
Ventura resident, zip code: 93003

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Jessica McCurdy

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**From:** El Chicano <elchicano22@gmail.com>  
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July 29, 2020

Luis Munoz  
Ventura County Resident

To the Ventura County Planning Commission,

I am writing to you today in support of the amendment to Zoning Ordinances that will help protect our public lands from further contamination.

I urge you to vote yes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to make sure that new wells under antiquated permits are subject to environmental review and public notice and hearings.

All new wells in Ventura County should abide by the same modern standards. Oil companies should not be allowed to drill an unlimited number of wells, for an unlimited amount of time, and without any evaluation of impacts to public health and the environment.

As good stewards of this land we must ensure we protect and prioritize our environment over profits.

Thank you.



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**From:** [Virginia Gunderson](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2020 4:48:22 PM  
**To:** [Luke](#), [Bonnie](#)  
**Subject:** Planning Commission Hearing for July 30, 2020  
**Importance:** Normal

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Dear Ms. Luke : My message to the Planning Commission follows.

To whom it may concern.

My Great Grandfather, George Morton Richardson left Michigan to migrate across the Gulf of Mexico, across the isthmus of Panama to travel by steamship up the coast to arrive in Suisun, across the bay from San Francisco, CA Where he married and in 1867 brought his family here, to homestead 136 acres across the river to what would become Santa Paula. Two following generations have homesteaded or bought land to go up – and over the top of South Mountain, all of which have mineral rights. Our family acreage is from the bottom of the hill to up where you see the S P. The oil company and it's employees have been responsible and have taken most of the maintenance of the roads, for which we are extremely grateful.

It is my hope and the hope of our family members that you will not vote to discontinue their operations permits.

Virginia R. Gunderson