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Dear Ventura County Supervisors,

I'm writing in support of efforts to amend the County's Zoning Ordinances so that your Planning Division and the public will have better oversight over new oil wells and facilities.

As a lifetime resident of Ventura County, It is extremely important to me to keep our state and county as environmentally responsible as can be. We have an immense carbon footprint. Our children may very well have nothing to look forward to. None of the animals, corals, or rainforests to see. The Galapagos is being stripped during this Pandemic, and nobody is watching. Please help us save something for our kids by amending the County's Zoning Ordinances

In Ventura County, thousands of oil wells operate under antiquated permits, and more continue to be drilled without an evaluation of environmental impacts and little to no consideration of nearby natural resources and communities. Antiquated permits present a grave risk to the environment, our climate, precious water supplies, and public health.

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