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Dear Ventura County Supervisors,


Hello Ventura County Board of Directors and Chief Deputy Clerk Rosa Gonzalez,

I'm writing to you because I 100% support of efforts to amend the County's Zoning Ordinances because your Planning Division and the public need have better oversight over new oil wells and facilities.

Prior to moving to Ventura, I had no idea that there were thousands of oil wells currently in operation OR that they operate under antiquated permits. And I was truly dismayed to learn that MORE continue to be drilled without a proper evaluation of the environmental impacts and with no consideration for the nearby natural resources and communities. We live in the 21st century. Operating under old laws drawn up 75 years ago is an insult to the science of today and to the lives of living around the drilling spots. It is clear to me and my community in Ventura that antiquated permits clearly present a major risk to the environment, our climate, precious water supplies, and public health.

Full stop - every single new well in Ventura County should abide by the same, new modern standards. No oil company should 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. It is again shameful to realize this is happening on public lands.

Please, please, 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. It is clearly the right and just thing to do.

Regards,
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