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**From:** John Brooks <[REDACTED]>  
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**To:** ClerkoftheBoard  
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Dear Chair Long and members of the board,

Please disregard the scare tactics and hyperbole. The common sense and fair revisions to these old permits will not shut down the industry in Ventura County. Rather, the proposed amendments will make sure that the oil and gas industry plays by the same rules as everyone else who has to get a discretionary permit. The era of special favors to one sector over another must end.. Discretionary permits are routinely approved for a wide range of land uses in the County, as long as those uses are consistent with the General Plan and zoning designations and land use standards. Will it cost a bit more? Yes ,but if I have to pay, why should a permittee from the last century get special favors?

Please vote today to adopt the proposed ordinance amending the Ventura County Non-Coastal ordinance Section 8105-5 and all other recommended actions by your planning staff.

Thank you  
John Brooks  
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