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Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a county resident who has attended several VCCEC meetings, I applaud the members who volunteered to serve, while at the same time I experience high anxiety as I follow the glacial progress at each meeting and contrast the inaction with the pace of daily scientific data pouring in on our code red climate status. We are running out of time and I fully support funding the work of the Ventura County Climate Emergency Council (VCCEC) and the Temporary Advisory Committees (TACs.) The hope is that these groups will advise the Board to prioritize actions based on quantifiable emissions reduction and the likelihood of success for each option.

Additionally, a priority needs to be placed on educating the public to increase awareness and understanding of climate change. Climate change is happening slowly and as a result it's difficult to motivate constituents to take action and to support the Board of Supervisors' CAP decisions. Part of that education can start by making the VCCEC tab more prominent and stand alone on the Ventura County website and include meeting dates, agenda, educational materials, recording, and polls. By consistent messaging and education, the County will bring about a real impact.

Thank you.

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