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Board of Supervisors of Ventura County,

I'm writing to you today as a resident of Ventura County opposed to adding gas and oil wells in the area. I would ask the supervisors to decline any increase in the amount of gas and oil wells in the area.

I urge the supervisors to consider the health and safety of the surrounding communities, the air and water, and the future needs of Ventura County. New wells are the way of the past not where the future lies. Keeping communities shackled to oil interests is an outdated and harmful practice. The statistics on spills from wells and spills from trucking are startling. Given the amount money pumped in by oil companies during the election to stop progress did not help Ventura County.

I would hope that the supervisors would protect Ventura County communities, air and water, and continue California's environmental justice initiatives. According to California Code section 65040.12, environmental justice is the fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.

Thank you,

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