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Public Comment

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**Subject:** SBCAN Public Comment for Item 4, April 5, 2022  
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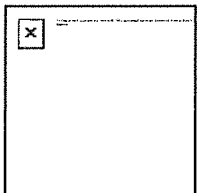
Attached is a letter from SBCAN regarding Item #4 - Energy and Climate Action Plan.

Thank you,

Nadia

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April 4, 2022

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RE: Item 4 – Energy and Climate Action Plan

Dear Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors,

Board of Directors  
 Dick Flacks,  
*Co-President South*  
 Rebeca Garcia,  
*Co-President North*  
 Gale McNeeley, *Secretary*  
 Jonathan Abboud, *Treasurer*  
 Rebecca August  
 Janet Blevins  
 Carla Frisk  
 Lawanda Lyons-Pruitt  
 Jaime Tinoco

We at SBCAN are impressed by the Energy and Climate Action Plan report put forward and the effort to receive community engagement that went into this process. Climate change is a huge concern of ours and our members, and likely poses the greatest threat and risk to humanity we have yet to see.

SBCAN is grateful for your climate leadership as a Board in declaring climate change an emergency in December of 2019. We hope you will continue that leadership and accelerate your efforts to mitigate climate change impacts in the County going forward. The report shows that the County has made some significant improvements since 2015, but there is still clearly a long way to go, especially around transportation.

We support the early action recommendations put forward by the staff to restrict new natural gas infrastructure and increase energy efficiency and EV charging infrastructure on new projects and major renovations; to pursue all electric buildings, and to create a Zero Emission Vehicle Plan and create a staff position focused on zero emission vehicles.

Executive Director  
 Ken Hough

We urge you to accept and move forward with these recommendations.

Associate Director  
 Jeanne Sparks

Sincerely,

Advocacy & Events Director  
 Nadia Lee Abushanab

Ken Hough,

Executive Director

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