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Dear Supervisors,

As a Santa Barbara County resident, I'm writing to urge the Board to require the Project for Resilient Communities (PRC) to uphold its commitment to remove the Montecito ring nets.

The ring net project was proposed and approved as a temporary method of providing additional protection to Montecito communities until mountain slopes have revegetated. That time has now come. Slopes are thickly revegetated and permit deadlines are approaching.

The blockage of San Ysidro Creek last January demonstrates that the nets do not function as intended and rather trap small sediment material that would naturally replenish local beaches.

The failure to maintain the nets, for a variety of reasons, only further demonstrates that the nets do not function as intended.

So many of our creeks and rivers already suffer from a legacy of historic alteration for flood control. New permanent barriers are not the solution.

It's time to make good on its promise. Please require the PRC to uphold it's commitment to remove the ring nets.

Regards,
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