

COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

#### **Community Environmental Council**

## The Peak Oil Crisis and Local Solutions

#### **Today's Presentation**

- 1. The problems: peak oil and climate change
- 2. The non-solutions
- 3. The solutions

#### We Have a Winner...



#### World Oil Balance 2004-2008



#### Where Are We Headed?



#### Where Are We Really Headed?

Total liquids (conventional and unconventional) production



#### National Security: US oil imports



Source: EIA

#### **Global Net Oil Exports**

**Global net oil exports** 



Source: EIA

#### **Climate Change**



#### **Can Offshore Drilling Help?**



> EIA found that increased drilling will have an "insignificant" impact on oil prices, even by 2030

#### It's All About Magnitude

US annual oil consumption and offshore production



Sources: EIA Annual Energy Outlook 2008 and 2007

#### Another View...

U.S. & global cumulative oil consumption compared to OCS access scenario



#### **US Oil Supplies Are Tapped Out**

### > EIA (2008 Annual Energy Outlook):

 - "With a few exceptions -- namely, deepwater Gulf of Mexico and offshore Alaska -- the <u>remaining domestic</u> <u>petroleum basins have been significantly</u> <u>depleted</u>."

#### **Drilling is a Non-Solution**

- > Offshore drilling not a good short-term or long-term solution
- > Offshore drilling is a distraction
- > We can't drill our way out of this problem

#### "Dr. No" or "All of the Above"?

- a) Energy efficiency
- b) Renewables
- c) Offshore oil
- d) Nuclear
- e) All of the above
- f) Smart energy policy

## What's the Smart Energy Policy?

Tech.	Costs	Scalability	Env. Impacts	Legal?
Efficiency	Low	High	Low	Yes
Conservation	Low	High	Low	Yes
Oil drilling	High	Low	High	No
Coal to liquids	Unknown	Medium	High	Yes
Hydrogen	High	Low	Unknown	Yes
Sustainable Biofuels	High	Medium	Unknown	Yes
Coal	Low (today)	High	High	No
Nuclear	High	High	High	No

#### So What Should We Do Here?





#### **Reducing Petroleum Demand**



Executive Summary





Santa Barbara County total energy demand, 2006

#### **Reducing Petroleum Demand**



#### **Next Generation Vehicles**



#### **Reducing Energy Use in Buildings**



# Future Sources of Power Wind





#### **Future Sources of Power** Solar



## Future Sources of Power





#### The Effects of CEC's Plan by 2020



#### **Our Transpo. Plan Saves Money**

- > Energy efficiency and conservation are very cheap
- > Electricity as a transportation fuel is much cheaper than petroleum
- > These result in large annual savings in our county:
  - > \$238 million by 2020 with low fossil fuel prices
  - > \$2.7 billion by 2020 with high fossil fuel prices

#### **Renewables Will Provide Tax Revenue**

- > The Acciona 120 megawatt wind farm:
  - \$1.5-2 million per year
- > Four more like it by 2030:
  - \$6.5-10 million per year
- > American Ethanol project:
  - \$3 million per year
- > Wave power:
  - Unknown but significant
- > Estimated total by 2030:
  - \$10-15 million per year
- > With PXP Tranquillon Ridge:
  - \$20-25 million per year

#### **The Oil Depletion Protocol**



- A soft landing is better than a hard landing
- Voluntary 3%
  reduction in oil
  demand each year

#### **CEC's Recommendations**

- 1. Maintain the moratorium
- 2. County Energy Task Force
- 3. Adopt the Oil Depletion Protocol



"Fossil fuels resemble capital in the bank. A prudent and responsible parent will use his capital sparingly in order to pass on to his children as much as possible of his inheritance."

Admiral Hyman Rickover, 1957



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#### Thank you!

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