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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I want to thank you for your work on the Climate Action Plan for the County of Santa Barbara.

As a member of the Order of Secular Franciscans I am asking you to include in this plan emissions from the fossil fuel facilities greenhouse gas inventory and emissions reduction measures. It is imperative if we wish to reach our climate goals by 2030.

All manner of emissions must be included in this plan in order to mitigate the effects of GHG in this climate crisis we in this community and the world are living in which was created by the oil and gas industries and its counterparts. I would like this plan to include the oil and gas industries assistance in addressing the climate crises by capping wells, no fracking, no carbon offsets to name a few. This industry knowingly misinformed the public of the effects of GHG emissions on humanity. It is only fair and just to assist those affected by this industry most of which are of the BIPOC communities generally low income persons. One might say they don't have the authority to enforce this but if one was willing to push the matter these communities can and need your guidance and assistance to encourage the oil and gas industries to open their pockets and help the local communities in whatever form that may be. We all deserve to breathe clean air, have access to clean water, safe housing, health care and all flora and fauna have got to be considered in this plan as well.

I believe we all have a moral obligation to protect life on this planet and address the affects of GHG emissions on human health and all lifeforms which we are blessed to have. This world is a gift and we should not abuse the gift.

I am asking that you take another look at the plan and include the oil and gas industries.

Thank you so much for stepping up and working on this issue.

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