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Dear Planning Commission,
Re: Watershed and Oak ordinance
Has the Department of Fish and Wildlife commented on this proposed plan? There should be documented approval from a state agency for any county plan, especially one having to do with the watershed (rivers) and forests.
I encourage you to do everything possible to complete our General Plan required Climate Action Plan. This would provide a specific roadmap of activities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and black carbon pollution, focus on activities that can achieve emissions and pollution reductions in the most effective manner and provide specific criteria upon which any proposed or existing activity can be measured. If written clearly it will be a strong guide for any future development or land use policies.

In the meantime, 90% canopy cover retention is only the minimum needed. We really need to retain 100% canopy cover (and plant many more trees) to do what we morally should to prevent further climate change. Please do not go weak and allow more trees to be felled for the sake of grapevines that sequester only small amounts of carbon compared to real trees. And once those grapevines are burned all carbon they have sequestered is released into our air. Business as usual is only for those wish to practice denial and abstain from acting responsibly toward this planet and everything that lives on it.

I have sympathy for those who have purchased high-priced property in this county expecting to make a profit from it growing grapes, or those whose parents have made a living doing so and assumed they too would enjoy making a living the same way. And yet, expectations and assumptions based on a reality that no longer exists should not be allowed to negatively affect the environment which we all share.

Please enact the most stringent regulations possible to protect our very limited Napa County watershed and oak forests and do your utmost to protect the climate of the entire planet.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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