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**From:** Morrison, David  
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**Cc:** Clerici, Brian  
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**From:** Lee Zuckerman [<mailto:zinjanthropus@mail.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 05, 2017 3:49 PM  
**To:** Morrison, David  
**Subject:** CAP comments

Dear Comissioner Morrison,

My name is Lee Zuckerman. I live at 34 Franklin St Napa. I am writing to express my deep concern about climate change and my support for all entities, public and private, doing everything they/we can to limit climate change's effects. Specifically, I am writing to advocate that the county recognize that we are in an emergency and to do all it through and beyond the Climate Action Plan.

I would like to be specific in my comments, but am hindred by lack of expertise. Nevertheless, I do have a couple of suggestions for your consideration.

The planning process is slow and deliberate, but the problem faced is growing to crisis proportions. In addition, the science on climate change changes rapidly. A methodical process is ill-matched with a rapidly developing, rapidly changing problem. The state might have to lead on this, but if there were a way to build into the CAP a process for nimble updates and course corrections it would seem to be beneficial.

To my untrained eye, the area with the most potential for gain in this agricultural county is biomass. Apparently black carbon can't be quantified and inventoried, but it can still be reduced. We can take measures to reduce black carbon from intentional and unintentional burning of wood and plant matter. We can greatly reduce the burning of wood as a heat source. We can find alternatives to burning of vineyard wastes. We can redouble efforts to prevent wildfires.

A goal of retaining 30% of existing trees seems inadequate! Can't we preserve more of the trees that are sequestering carbon and promote planting of additional trees? I'm sure regulation through land use policies can be problematic. Perhaps the county can engage in public education about the growing need to do things differently than we are used to.

A few other ideas:

Work with the City of Vallejo and Solano County to prevent the cement plant proposed for the mouth of the Napa river.

Actively educate citizens about what we can do to contribute individually. Go beyond the basic suggestions.

Make money available for green projects like converting home energy systems away from naturl gas. Can a county sell bonds?

Sincerely, Lee Zuckerman

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