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Risky and ineffective carbon capture technologies have been heavily promoted by fossil fuel lobbyists because they maintain business as usual. But decades of investment in CCS projects has not produced good results, despite all the hype: CCS has repeatedly failed to cut carbon emissions as promised.

Moreover, it requires large amounts of energy, which threatens California's grid stability. It also increases water usage and risks polluting groundwater and air quality.

Finally, transportation and storage of carbon dioxide endangers communities, even with guardrails in place. Communities targeted for CCS already experience unacceptable levels of risk and pollution. They don't need the additional risk and dangerous health impacts of pipeline ruptures and leaking wells full of carbon waste.

The health analysis conducted by CARB was extremely limited in scope and not fully integrated into the economic modeling. It failed to inform the CARB Board and the public about the comprehensive public health threats, benefits, and costs of the potential policies and scenarios within the Scoping Plan. To minimize the adverse health equity consequences of the 2022 Plan, and to develop the most health-protective overall climate strategy for our state, we need a comprehensive health equity analysis, performed by public health experts, to inform the implementation of each of the Plan's components. To this end, CARB needs to immediately establish a Public Health Advisory Group. Thank you.