Dear Assembly member Bloom,

We, the undersigned organizations, are pleased to support Assembly Bill 1301, your bill that places a moratorium on hydraulic fracturing (fracking) in California and mandates review of the threats the practice poses to the environment and public health.

Fracking endangers our climate, air, water, wildlife, public health, and private property. Fracking is already taking place in at least 9 counties in California and is slated for expansion in many areas across the state. Nationally, fracking and its resulting toxic wastewater have developed an extensive track record of spills, accidents, leaks, pollution, and property damage. California already has serious water contamination and air pollution problems, and fracking will only worsen these grave threats to public health. The pollution and intense industrial development associated with fracking also threaten key wildlife habitat and our agricultural industry.

Finally, we are concerned that fracking will greatly undermine California’s efforts to address the climate crisis. Recent studies suggest that fracking causes such profuse methane emissions that fracked natural gas can have a greater greenhouse gas footprint than coal. Moreover, in California, much of the anticipated fracking boom will be aimed at extracting oil from our Monterey Shale formation. Having just witnessed the hottest year on record in the contiguous U.S., it is more important than ever that California lead the way in the fight against climate change.

We thank you for your leadership in this important effort to protect Californians and our air, water, wildlife, climate and public health from the dangers of fracking, and we strongly support AB 1301.

Sincerely,

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350 Sacramento
350 Santa Barbara
350 Silicon Valley
350 Sonoma County
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 Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments
 Aromas Cares for Our Environment (ACE)
 Baldwin Hills Oil Watch
 Ballona Network
 Battle Creek Alliance
 Bay Area Healthy 880 Communities
 Bay Localize
 Breast Cancer Action
Burbank Green Alliance
Butte Environmental Council
California Coastkeeper Alliance
California Student Sustainability Coalition
Californians for Western Wilderness
Californians Who Drink Water
California Nurses Association
Center for Biological Diversity
Center on Race, Poverty, and the Environment
Central Valley Safe Environment Network
Chalice Farm and Sustainable Living Center
Christians Caring for Creation
Citizens Coalition for a Safe Community
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Clean Water and Air Matter
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EcoEquity
Environment California
Environmental Action Committee of West Marin
Environmental Defense Center
Environmental Health Coalition
Environmental Priorities Network
Environmental Protection Information Center
Evolving Products
Family Farm Defenders
Food & Water Watch
Food Empowerment Project
Frack-Free Culver City
Fresno Metro Ministry
Friends Foundation International
Friends of the Earth
Friends of the Pogonip
Gage & Gage Productions
GAIA-Global Alliance for Incinerator Alternatives
Global Community Monitor
Golden Gate Audubon Society
Green Party of Monterey County
Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice
GreenFaith

Greenpeace
Humboldt Baykeeper
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Klamath Forest Alliance
Klamath Riverkeeper
Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center
KyotoUSA
Label GMOs Bakersfield
Local Clean Energy Alliance
Los Angeles Waterkeeper
Los Padres ForestWatch
Mainstreet Moms
Medicine Lake Citizens for Quality Environment
Movement Generation
Natural Resources Defense Council
Northcoast Environmental Center
Occupy Monterey Peninsula
Oil Change International
Organic Consumers Association
People for Clean Air & Water of Kettleman City
Project Coyote
Protect Our Water
Public Citizen
Rainforest Action Network
RefineRichmond
Residents Organized for a Safe Environment (ROSE)
Rising Tide Monterey Bay
San Joaquin Raptor/Wildlife Rescue Center
San Joaquin Valley Conservancy
San Mateo Cool Cities
Santa Cruz Indigenous Solidarity
SaveWithSunlight, Inc.
Sierra Club of California
SLO Clean Water Action
Stewards of the Earth
Sungevity
Take Back Our Democracy
The Democratic Club of the Santa Clarita Valley
The Orange County Interfaith Coalition for the Environment
The River Project
Transition Culver City
Transition San Francisco
Tri-Valley CAREs
Turtle Island Restoration Network
Union de Vecinos
Unitarian Universalists of San Mateo
Urban and Environmental Policy Institute
Whittier Hills Oil Watch
Wild Equity Institute
Wild Heritage Planners
Women's Earth and Climate Caucus
World Stewardship Institute
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