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## **Stop the use of AB 205**

AB 205 places the CEC into the position of ultimate decision-maker on a clean project application and this de facto robs local authorities of their power to deny an application, even if the local denial stems from scientifically and legitimately identified egregious negative impacts.

AB 205 is a wrong and harmful Bill that undermines the trust of the people, communities, and local decision-makers because we are kept out of the process.

An example of harmful fast-tracking is the use of grid-scale Lithium batteries, whose fire and toxic history are well known by now and are being deployed anyway.

Take the time now to get things right. Do not allow AB 205 to take away the process of local communities from finding and choosing the best, non-toxic, safe technology that has been and will continue to be developed.

Thank you,  
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