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## Fossil fuels and new construction

The use of natural gas to heat homes and water in homes should be prohibited in all new construction. Natural gas is an indoor air pollutant and a potent greenhouse gas. Emissions from homes and buildings are the second biggest contributor of greenhouse gases in our state, second only to transportation. There is great potential to significantly reduce emissions by eliminating natural gas in homes and buildings. If this is done, we can begin to truly address the issue of fracking in our state. California should take the lead on phasing out the need for environmentally destructive practices like fracking and cyclic steam injection.