

‘Verge of complete failure’: Climate summit draft drops the mention of fossil fuel phase-out, angering advocates

Dubai CNN — Climate advocates are warning the COP28 climate summit could be on the cusp of failure after a new draft of the core agreement removed a call to phase out fossil fuels, the main driver of the climate crisis.

The draft, posted Monday more than six hours later than expected, instead used watered-down language on fossil fuels in an apparent concession to oil-producing nations that opposed the measure.

It calls on countries to take actions to reduce planet-warming pollution, which could include reducing the consumption and production of oil, coal and gas. Many climate experts and observers have blasted the draft for its vague language and a lack of concrete timelines.

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