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Letters: These sequester scare tactics are tiresome

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It is past time for the Republican Party, the Tea Party, Libertarians, conservatives, the Cato Institute, the Heritage Foundation and, especially, the Orange County Register to do what President Barack Obama tried to get Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney to do in last election: give American voters specifics. Enlighten us on what programs should be cut, by what percentage, and who exactly would be affected (positively or negatively).

Furthermore, they should tell us what programs will affect them (their families, jobs or corporations, their communities and their states) that they would eliminate. Also tell us what business regulations should be eliminated and/or changed, why, and how they would affect actual human beings.

I won't wait for these groups to give Americans the specifics they deserve because they want the president and the Democratic Party to take the blame for cuts that come out of the sequester and the budget process. They understand, after losing so many major voting blocs last November, that giving specifics will hurt their chances in upcoming elections.