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Form Submission - Council File: 18-0278 - Full Environmental Review is Needed

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Reply-To: jbeacom@me.com
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Thu, Aug 30, 2018 at 5:33 PM

Name: Joanna Beacom

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Subject: Council File: 18-0278 - Full Environmental Review is Needed:

Message: Dear City Council Members,

I am a Citizen for Los Angeles Wildlife and I oppose the Board of Public Works adoption of ENV-2015-1843-MND and its addendum, as well as their approval of a tree removal permit for 5 protected trees.

My husband and I have been homeowners for 20 years in this area of Hollywood. Our home is already directly affected by two massive construction projects which are affecting the narrow wildlife corridors and landscape connectivity remaining above Hillside Avenue directly adjacent to Nichols Canyon. We have seen the impacts as snakes and rats have run down the hillside looking for shelter, and coyotes and deer are looking for food, water and a place to raise their young.

As I'm sure you are aware, one of the primary considerations in assessing the environmental impact of any new construction project is the potential harm to local biodiversity and local ecosystems, which includes both animals as well as plant species; this includes large trees, as well as chaparral and undergrowth. The removal of large trees can have irreversible consequences to local ecosystems by displacing small rodent and reptile populations, as well as the larger mammals and birds that depend on these smaller species for survival. Therefore, I would ask you to ensure that a full environmental review is given to this project. It may seem as though the removal of five trees will have little impact on their surrounding environment. However, there is a reason these trees have been designated "protected" species, and this designation should not be ignored. In the face of drought, an unusually hot summer, as well as unprecedented development in areas adjacent to Nichols Canyon, I would urge you to take a closer look at the full environmental impacts of the removal of these trees. Failure to do so will be a great disappointment to our community.

Yours sincerely,

Joanna and Thomas Beacom

(Sent via [Citizens for Los Angeles Wildlife](#))

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Thu, Aug 30, 2018 at 5:35 PM

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Subject: Council File: 18-0278 - Full Environmental Review is Needed:

Message: Dear City Council Members,

I am a Citizen for Los Angeles Wildlife and I oppose the Board of Public Works adoption of ENV-2015-1843-MND and its addendum, as well as their approval of a tree removal permit for 5 protected trees. This decision failed to take in adequate consideration of the adverse effects this project would have on the onsite riparian habitat.

The MND also did not address potentially adverse effects on habitat connectivity, as this land is acting as a wildlife corridor between two large open space habitat areas. The Tree Removal Permit for this project was granted prematurely, and no tree removal should take place before the City Council has heard our appeal.

I urge you to review this matter and make the decision that is in the best interest of the general public, and the wildlife that need the corridor to

move between habitat spaces.

Kind regards,
Heidi Buech

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Thu, Aug 30, 2018 at 6:46 PM

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Subject: Council File: 18-0278 - Full Environmental Review is Needed:

Message: I oppose Board of Public Works adoption of ENV-2015-1843-MND and its addendum. This decision failed to take into consideration adverse effects to wildlife.

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Thu, Aug 30, 2018 at 8:15 PM

Name: Marsha Novak

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Subject: Council File: 18-0278 - Full Environmental Review is Needed:

Message: Dear Council Members.

I am opposed to the adoption of ENV-2915-1843-MND, its addendum and approval a tree removal for 5 protected trees. With climate change, we need to do all that we can to protect our wildlife and to also protect trees and their habitats that help keep the planet cool. We should be protecting wild spaces and not destroying them.

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Fri, Aug 31, 2018 at 7:58 AM

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Subject: Council File: 18-0278 - Full Environmental Review is Needed:

Message: Please pay attention to our precious wildlife. They have had a very stressful and tough time in our mountains and hillsides.

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