

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: The coronavirus epidemic is the worst short-term health crisis we've ever witnessed; the climate crisis is the worst long-term one. We have seen the impact of lack of planning on the federal level for this inevitable pandemic. Let's not mimic this failure addressing a crisis that burned 1.8 million acres in California in 2018, threatens \$150 billion in beachfront property by the end of the century, and promises temperature increases that are literally too high for humans to withstand without technical intervention. We understand that the economic effects of the coronavirus require massive cuts to the budget, but we ask that the Office of Climate Emergency Mobilization and other climate related programs and services not be eliminated but subject to the same across the board reductions in funding that other essential services would receive. We need paid staff members devoted to this issue to steer LA into a sustainable future, to support the many committed volunteers that already devote their time to this important issue. The tiny investment these programs require will pay for itself over and over again in the years to come. Thanks.