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Sent: Thursday, July 31, 2014 4:39 PM
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Subject: RE: Department Recommendations on SEA Boundary Changes and Reminder of August 6th RPC Hearing

Hi Emma Howard and Connie Chung,

We are reviewing the Request #28 – recommendation spreadsheet link regarding adding to the SEA: Woolsey Canyon and Box Canyon-Simi Hills and Brown’s Canyon sub-watershed and Mormon’s Creek. Your recommendation states: “would be willing to consider adding this portion to the SEA if the materials are substantive.” The SFV Audubon Society has submitted scientific bird studies, as well as other organizations reported the reasons-studies to include these areas in the SEA: Santa Susana Mountain Park Association, Sierra Club, CA Native Plant Society and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA). What other materials are need to be submitted? Is your biologist studying the canyons-creeks as noted?

Re: Attachment 4: Individual SEA Boundary Comments

The erroneous information in the description of the former “Chatsworth Reservoir” has not been corrected to read “Chatsworth Nature Preserve” as submitted previously and noted here:

- 1) Chatsworth Reservoir: The Chatsworth Reservoir was taken out of service in 1969. In 1994 the LA City Council passed an Open Space ordinance #169723, attached, renaming it “Chatsworth Nature Preserve”.
- 2) Reference to the Chatsworth Reservoir as a “Superfund Site.” It is not and has never been a superfund site.

You advised in your E-mail dated, 4/14/14, that these corrections will be updated before closing public hearings in August, is of great concern. August 1 is tomorrow.

You also stated that “Our biologist is fixing these errors.” Other organizations have also questioned these significant errors in description of the Chatsworth Nature Preserve: CA Native Plant Society, Chatsworth Nature Preserve Coalition and Santa Susana Mountain Park Association.

I look forward to your response.

Thank you,
Carla Bollinger

From: Emma Howard [mailto:ehoward@planning.lacounty.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2014 2:29 PM
To: mark.osokow@sfvaudubon.org; hopebird@lafn.org; Carla Bollinger
Subject: Department Recommendations on SEA Boundary Changes and Reminder of August 6th RPC Hearing

Hello Ms. Bollinger and Mr. Osokow,

We wanted to let you know that our Department has made our recommendations in response to your comments on the proposed Significant Ecological Areas and Coastal Resource Areas Map, a component of the [Los Angeles County General Plan 2035](#).

Your request is #28

Our recommendations are in the [recommendation spreadsheet](#) on our webpage at <http://planning.lacounty.gov/sea/ordinance>. Our submittal to the Regional Planning Commission includes any of your [original comments](#) as well. Links for the full staff report are provided below:

[SEA Staff Report July 24, 2014](#)

[Attachment 1: Excerpt of the 2000 SEA Update Study](#)

[Attachment 2: SEA Boundary Comments and Recommendation Spreadsheet](#)

[Attachment 3: Principles for Adjusting SEA Boundaries](#)

[Attachment 4: Individual SEA Boundary Comments](#)

[Attachment 5: Correspondence](#)

We will be presenting these recommendations next week on Wednesday August 6th at a public hearing of the Regional Planning Commission. The meeting will begin at 9 am and is held in Room 150 Hall of Records

320 W. Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012. You are welcome to participate with public comments.

When we have finished the hearing, we will send you a personalized letter that includes information to show what changes we have made to the SEA Map. Following that, we will not be returning to the Commission on the rest of the SEA program until the fall of 2014, anticipated hearing date of October 8, 2014. The proposed SEA Map will remain a draft until the Board of Supervisors approves the draft General Plan and SEA Program at public hearing, which will not happen until after the after the Regional Planning Commission hearings.

Please give me a call if you have further questions. Our offices are open Monday through Thursday and I can be reached between 8 am and 5:30 pm.

Regards,
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