

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Saving Bothwell Ranch is an obvious and vital step in enhancing the health and well being of the Los Angeles community, and in meeting the city's 2030 Sustainability goals. Over 2,000 mature trees provide vital services in sequestering carbon, purifying water, providing habitat to animals and essential pollinators, and cooling temperatures. Additionally, once preserved, the ranch has the potential to serve as a demonstration/educational center for healthy and local food, gardening, farming, soil and compost, which are all essential features if we are to create a more resilient food system for the many uncertainties ahead. Thank you very much for your consideration in bringing this historical piece of LA into the city's future.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Elizabeth A Kahn

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Fellow Angelenos and Members of Los Angeles City Council, I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of making the Bothwell Ranch a Cultural Historic Monument. I encourage you to investigate if they're grounds to allocate funding to support it's preservation. Here are a few ways it's aligned with the following goals in Los Angeles's Sustainability Plan: 1) Zero Waste by 2035 - Bothwell Ranch can be an educational landmark, teaching neighbors how to compost their food waste & manage a home compost system. The property can also use neighbor's composted material as fertilizer for the 14 acre citrus grove. 2) Increase number of urban agriculture sites by 50% in 2035 - Bothwell Ranch can become much more than a citrus orchard. By planting "companion plants" next to the mature orange trees and edible gardens surrounding the grove, this property can become a local food source for low-income neighbors and/or the Greater LA community. 3) Livable Neighborhoods - This is the final goal in Mayor Garcetti's Sustainability PLAN and it is obvious that Bothwell Ranch, if preserved and managed in a regenerative, holistic way, can be a place for community bonding and peace. In addition to a helping biodiversity thrive acting as a "pollinator highway" and ecosystem for native birds and animals in neighboring Santa Monica Mountains. Thank you for your consideration. With Gratitude, Elizabeth A Kahn Change.org  
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