

Communication from Public

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RE: Council File 13-1339, Support add toyon and elderberry to
Protected Tree Ordinance

Council Committees: Planning and Land Use Management Committee,
Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee

The Oaks Homeowners Association supports adding Mexican elderberry
and toyon to the Protected Tree Ordinance's list of species.

Both species are in the hills of our residential area which borders
Griffith Park and other hillside residential communities. The hillsides
here are typified with many undeveloped lots which provide corridors
and habitat for wildlife. These two native habitat "shrub" species are
important to our native fauna since they co-evolved with each other.

Unfortunately, we have been losing these two species at a rapid rate due
to development, but just as much through over-aggressive brush
clearance. These two species need better protection.

Thank you,

Holly Purcell

President